

**THE CHROMATIC EXT GROUPS  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(BP_*, M_2^1)$**   
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1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $BP$  be the Brown-Peterson spectrum for a fixed prime  $p$ . In [Rav86, §6.5], the third author has introduced the spectrum  $T(m)$  which has  $BP_*$ -homology

$$BP_*(T(m)) = BP_*[t_1, \dots, t_m],$$

and is homotopy equivalent to  $BP$  below dimension  $2p^{m+1} - 3$ . Then the Adams-Novikov  $E_2$ -term converging to the homotopy groups of  $T(m)$

$$E_2^{*,*}(T(m)) = \mathrm{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}(BP_*, BP_*(T(m)))$$

is isomorphic by [Rav86] Corollary 7.1.3 to

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(BP_*, BP_*),$$

where

$$\Gamma(m+1) = BP_*(BP)/(t_1, \dots, t_m) = BP_*[t_{m+1}, t_{m+2}, \dots].$$

In particular  $\Gamma(1) = BP_*(BP)$  by definition. To get the structure of this Ext group, we can use the chromatic method introduced in [MRW77].

Define the chromatic module  $M_n^s$  by

$$M_n^s = v_{n+s}^{-1} BP_*/(p, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n^\infty, \dots, v_{n+s-1}^\infty)$$

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and consider the chromatic spectral sequence converging to  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(BP_*/I_n)$  with

$$E_1^{s,t} = \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_n^s).$$

Shimomura calls this Ext group the **general chromatic  $E_1$ -term**. In this paper we will determine the module structure of

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(M_2^1).$$

The analogous result for  $m = 0$  was obtained long ago by Miller-Wilson in [MW76], and is as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** [Miller-Wilson] *As a  $k(2)_*$ -module,  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(1)}^0(M_2^1)$  is the direct sum of*

- (a) *the cyclic submodules generated by  $x_k^s/v_2^{a(k)}$  for  $k \geq 0$  and  $s \in \mathbf{Z} - p\mathbf{Z}$  where*

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &= v_3, \\ x_1 &= v_3^p - v_2^p v_3^{-1} v_4, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and for } k \geq 2 \quad x_k = \begin{cases} x_{k-1}^p & \text{for } k \text{ even} \\ x_{k-1}^p - v_2^{(p^{k-1}-1)(p^3-1)/(p^2-1)} v_3^{p^k-p^{k-1}+1} & \text{for } k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} a(0) &= 1, \\ a(1) &= p, \\ \text{and for } k \geq 2 \quad a(k) &= \begin{cases} pa(k-1) & \text{for } k \text{ even} \\ pa(k-1) + p - 1 & \text{for } k \text{ odd;} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and

- (b)  $K(2)_*/k(2)_*$ , generated by  $1/v_2^j$  for  $j \geq 1$ .

Before this result was proved, the naive conjecture about this group would have had the exponents  $a(k)$  being  $p^k$  for all  $k \geq 0$ . It was clear that

$$\frac{v_3^{sp^k}}{v_2^{p^k}} \in \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(1)}^0(BP_*, M_2^1),$$

but the existence of “deeper” elements such as

$$\frac{x_3}{v_1^{a(3)}} = \frac{v_3^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{-p^2} v_4^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3-1} v_3^{p^3-p^2+1}}{v_2^{p^3+p-1}}$$

came as a surprise, as did the fact that the limiting value (as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ) of  $a(k)/p^k$  is  $(p^2 + p + 1)/(p^2 + p)$  instead of 1.

Our result (Theorem 6.9 below) has the same form as Theorem 1.1 but with  $x_k$  and  $a(k)$  replaced by  $\hat{x}_k$  (4.2, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6 and 6.7) and  $\hat{a}(k)$  (4.1 and 6.3), and with  $k(2)_*$  replaced by a larger ring  $\hat{k}(2)_*$  defined in (1.2). In order to avoid the excessive appearance of the index  $m$ , we will use the following notation.

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{cases} \hat{v}_i &= v_{m+i}, \\ \hat{K}(n)_* &= K(n)_*[v_{n+1}, \dots, v_{n+m}], \\ \hat{k}(n)_* &= k(n)_*[v_{n+1}, \dots, v_{n+m}], \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{t}_i &= t_{m+i}, \\ \hat{h}_{i,j} &= h_{m+i,j}, \\ \omega &= p^m. \end{aligned}$$

In §7–10 we will define elements  $\widehat{x}_k \in v_3^{-1}BP_*/I_2$  and integers  $\widehat{a}(k)$  whenever the condition  $3 < 2(p-1)(m+1)/p$  of Theorem 2.1 is satisfied, and compute the reduced right unit  $d_0$  on  $\widehat{x}_k$ . These will depend on  $m$ .

Using these computations, we can obtain the structure of the target Ext group. In particular, for large  $m$  we have

**Theorem 1.3.** *Assume that  $p = 2$  and  $m \geq 6$  or that  $p > 2$  and  $m \geq 5$ . As a  $\widehat{k}(2)_*$ -module,  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_2^1)$  is the direct sum of*

- (a) *the cyclic submodules generated by  $\widehat{x}_k^s/v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)}$  for  $k \geq 0$  and  $s \in \mathbf{Z}-p\mathbf{Z}$  where*

$$\widehat{x}_k = \begin{cases} \widehat{v}_3 & \text{for } k = 0, \\ \widehat{x}_2^p - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{-p^2} \widehat{v}_4^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3-1} v_3^{(p\omega-1)p^2} \widehat{v}_3 & \text{for } k = 3, \\ \widehat{x}_5^p + v_2^{(p+1)p^5} v_3^{-p^5} W & \text{for } k = 6, \\ \widehat{x}_8^p - v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} X p^2 - v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6} \widehat{x}_6 & \text{for } k = 9, \\ \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p & \text{for } 3 \nmid k \leq 8, \\ \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p + v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} \widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} (\widehat{x}_{k-4} - \widehat{x}_{k-5}^p) & \text{for } k \geq 10; \end{cases}$$

(see Lemma 5.2 and Proposition 5.9 for definitions of  $W$  and  $X$ ) and

$$\widehat{a}(k) = \begin{cases} p^k & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 2, \\ (p+1)p^{k-1} & \text{for } 3 \leq k \leq 5, \\ (p^2+p+1)p^{k-2} & \text{for } 6 \leq k \leq 8, \\ p^3\widehat{a}(6) + \widehat{a}(5) & \text{for } k = 9, \\ p^{k-9}(\widehat{a}(9) - \widehat{a}(5)) + \widehat{a}(k-4) & \text{for } k \geq 10; \end{cases}$$

and

- (b)  $\widehat{K}(2)_*/\widehat{k}(2)_*$ , generated by  $1/v_2^j$  for  $j \geq 1$ .

□

This is a part of our main result (Theorem 6.9). In fact, we have determined the structure of  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_2^1)$  for  $p = 2$  and  $m \geq 3$ , or  $p > 2$  and  $m \geq 2$ .

In JAMI conference held at Johns Hopkins University in March 2000, Shimomura reported that he extended our result and obtained the structure of

$$\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(M_{n-1}^1) \quad \text{for } m \geq n^2 - n - 1.$$

For  $n = 3$ , this result coincides to our Theorem 1.3. Recently he also determined the structure of higher Ext groups ([Shi2]).

In the above case the asymptotic behavior of the exponents is given by

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\widehat{a}(k)}{p^k} = \frac{p^4 + p^3 + p^2}{p^4 - 1},$$

a slightly larger value than for the case  $m = 0$ . In addition, there is a new form of periodicity in our statement with no precedent in Theorem 1.1, namely for all  $k \geq 9$  we have

$$\widehat{x}_k - \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p = -v_2^{p^k + p^{k-1} + p^{k-2}} v_3^{p^{m+k} - p^{k-1} - p^{k-2} - p^{k-3}} \widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} (\widehat{x}_{k-4} - \widehat{x}_{k-5}^p),$$

and

$$\widehat{a}(k) = p^k + p^{k-1} + p^{k-2} + \widehat{a}(k-4).$$

(For lower  $m$  the period is 6 instead of 4.) A similar result for the chromatic module  $M_1^1$  is obtained in [NR] or [Shi1], in which the period is 3 instead of 4.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

For a  $\Gamma(m+1)$ -comodule  $M$ , consider the cobar complex  $\{C_{\Gamma(m+1)}^* M, \partial_*\}_{* \geq 0}$ , where

$$C_{\Gamma(m+1)}^n M = \Gamma(m+1) \otimes_{BP_*} \cdots \otimes_{BP_*} \Gamma(m+1) \otimes_{BP_*} M$$

with  $n$  factors of  $\Gamma(m+1)$ . Then  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(BP_*, M)$  is the cohomology of this chain complex. We will abbreviate  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(BP_*, M)$  to  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M)$  as usual.

By the change-of-ring isomorphism ([Rav86, Theorem 6.1.1]), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_n^0) &= \text{Ext}_{BP_*(BP)}(M_n^0 \otimes BP_*(T(m))) \\ &= \text{Ext}_{\Sigma(n)}(K(n)_*, K(n)_*(T(m))). \end{aligned}$$

This object is already known by [Rav86] Corollary 6.5.6:

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $n < 2(p-1)(m+1)/p$ , then*

$$\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_n^0) = \widehat{K}(n)_* \otimes E(\widehat{h}_{i,j} : 1 \leq i \leq n, j \in \mathbb{Z}/(n)).$$

□

In particular, we have

$$(2.2) \quad \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_3^0) = \widehat{K}(3)_* \otimes E(\widehat{h}_{i,j} : 1 \leq i \leq 3, j \in \mathbb{Z}/(3)).$$

From this information we can get the structure of  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_2^1)$  using the Bockstein spectral sequence.

**Lemma 2.3.** (cf. [MRW77] Remark 3.11) *Assume that there exists a  $\widehat{k}(2)_*$ -submodule  $B^t$  of  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1)$  for each  $t < N$ , such that the following sequence is exact:*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(M_3^0) & \xrightarrow{1/v_2} & B^0 & \xrightarrow{v_2} & B^0 \xrightarrow{\delta} \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_3^0) \xrightarrow{1/v_2} \cdots \\ & & & & & & \\ & & \cdots & \xrightarrow{1/v_2} & B^{N-1} & \xrightarrow{v_2} & B^{N-1} \xrightarrow{\delta} \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^N(M_3^0) \end{array}$$

where  $\delta$  is the restriction of the coboundary map  $\delta : \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^{t+1}(M_3^0)$ . Then the inclusion map  $i_t : B^t \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1)$  is an isomorphism between  $\widehat{k}(2)_*$ -modules for each  $t < N$ .

*Proof.* Because  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1)$  is a  $v_2$ -torsion module, we can filter  $B^t$  and  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1)$  as

$$P_t(j) = \{x \in B^t : v_2^j x = 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad Q_t(j) = \{x \in \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1) : v_2^j x = 0\}.$$

Assume that the inclusion  $i_k$  is an isomorphism for  $k \leq t-1$  (the  $t=0$  case is obvious), and consider the following commutative ladder diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 B^{t-1} & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1) & \xrightarrow{1/v_2} & P_t(j) & \xrightarrow{v_2} & P_t(j-1) \\
 \cong \downarrow i_{t-1} & & \| & & \downarrow i_t & & \downarrow i_t \\
 \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^{t-1}(M_1^2) & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^t(M_2^1) & \xrightarrow{1/v_2} & Q_t(j) & \xrightarrow{v_2} & Q_t(j-1) \\
 & & & & & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^{t+1}(M_2^1)
 \end{array}$$

Using the Five Lemma, we can show that  $P_t(j)$  is isomorphic to  $Q_t(j)$  ( $j \geq 1$ ) by induction on  $j$ .  $\square$

In (4.2), (6.4), (6.5), (6.6) and (6.7) we will define elements  $\widehat{x}_k$  of  $v_3^{-1}BP_*/I_2$  which is congruent to  $\widehat{v}_3^{sp^k}$  modulo  $(v_2)$ , and integers  $\widehat{a}(k)$  in (4.1) and (6.3) such that each  $\widehat{x}_k^s/v_2^\ell$  is a cycle of  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(M_2^1)$  for all  $1 \leq \ell \leq \widehat{a}(k)$ .

Then the structure of  $B^0$  is expressed as follows:

**Lemma 2.4.** *As a  $\widehat{k}(2)_*$ -module,*

$$B^0 = \widehat{k}(2)_* \left\{ \frac{\widehat{x}_k^s}{v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)}} : k \geq 0, s > 0, \text{ and } p \nmid s \right\} \oplus \widehat{K}(2)_*/\widehat{k}(2)_*,$$

*is isomorphic to  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(M_2^1)$ , if the set*

$$\left\{ \delta \left( \frac{\widehat{x}_k^s}{v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)}} \right) : k \geq 0, s > 0, \text{ and } p \nmid s \right\} \subset \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_2^0)$$

*is linearly independent, where  $\delta$  is a coboundary map in Lemma 2.3.*

*Proof.* We will show that the following sequence is exact.

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0(M_3^0) \xrightarrow{1/v_2} B^0 \xrightarrow{v_2} B^0 \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_3^0)$$

The only part of this that is not obvious is that  $\mathrm{Ker} \delta \subset \mathrm{Im} v_2$ . To show this, separate the  $\mathbf{Z}/(p)$ -basis of  $B^0$  into two parts,

$$A = \left\{ \frac{\widehat{x}_k^s}{v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)}} : k \geq 0, s > 0, \text{ and } p \nmid s \right\} \quad \text{and}$$

$$B = \left\{ \frac{\widehat{x}_k^s}{v_2^\ell} : k \geq 0, s > 0, p \nmid s, \text{ and } 1 \leq \ell < \widehat{a}(k) \right\} \cup \left\{ v_2^{-j} : j > 0 \right\}.$$

Then it is obvious that  $\delta(x_\lambda) \neq 0 \in \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_3^0)$  for  $x_\lambda \in A$ , and that  $\delta(y_\mu) = 0 \in \mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_3^0)$  for  $y_\mu \in B$ . Thus for any element  $z = \sum_\lambda a_\lambda x_\lambda + \sum_\mu b_\mu y_\mu$  of  $B^0$  ( $a_\lambda, b_\mu \in \mathbf{Z}/p$ ), we have  $\delta(z) = \sum_\lambda a_\lambda \delta(x_\lambda)$ . The condition implies that all  $a_\lambda$  are zero when  $\delta(z) = 0$ , and so  $v_2 \sum_\mu b_\mu y_\mu / v_2 = z$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

### 3. ELEMENTARY CALCULATIONS

In this section we will introduce elements  $\widehat{w}_4$  and  $\widehat{w}_5$ , which we need to define our  $\widehat{x}_k$ . First we recall the right unit on  $\widehat{v}_i$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Assume that  $p \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 1$ . In  $\Gamma(m+1)/(p, v_1)$  the right unit map  $\eta_R : \widehat{A} \rightarrow \widehat{\Gamma}$  on the element  $\widehat{v}_i$  is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(\widehat{v}_i) &= \widehat{v}_i && \text{for } i \leq 2, \\ \eta(\widehat{v}_3) &= \widehat{v}_3 + v_2 \widehat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1, \\ \eta(\widehat{v}_4) &= \widehat{v}_4 + v_3 \widehat{t}_1^{p^3} + v_2 \widehat{t}_2^{p^2} - v_3^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_2^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2, \\ \text{and } \eta(\widehat{v}_5) &\equiv \widehat{v}_5 + v_4 \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} + v_3 \widehat{t}_2^{p^3} + v_2 \widehat{t}_3^{p^2} \\ &\quad - v_4^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_3^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2 - v_2^{p+1} \widehat{v}_3^{p(p-1)} \widehat{t}_1^{p^3} \pmod{v_2^{2p+1}} \\ &\quad (\text{add } v_2^4 \widehat{t}_1^{17} \text{ when } (p, m) = (2, 1)). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, when  $p \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 2$ , we have

$$\eta(\widehat{v}_6) \equiv \widehat{v}_6 + v_5 \widehat{t}_1^{p^5} + v_4 \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} + v_3 \widehat{t}_3^{p^3} - v_5^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_4^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2 - v_3^{p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_3 \pmod{v_2}.$$

□

Define elements  $\widehat{w}_i$  for  $4 \leq i \leq 5$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{w}_4 &= v_3^{-1} \widehat{v}_4 \\ \text{and } \widehat{w}_5 &= v_3^{-1} (\widehat{v}_5 - v_4 \widehat{w}_4^p + v_2^{p+1} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p} \widehat{w}_4). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.** *For any prime  $p$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} d(\widehat{w}_4) &= \widehat{t}_1^{p^3} + v_2 v_3^{-1} \widehat{t}_2^{p^2} - v_3^{p\omega-1} \widehat{t}_1 - v_2^{p^2\omega} v_3^{-1} \widehat{t}_2 && \text{for } m \geq 1, \\ d(\widehat{w}_5) &\equiv \widehat{t}_2^{p^3} + v_2 v_3^{-1} \widehat{t}_3^{p^2} - v_3^{-1} v_4^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_3^{p^2\omega-1} \widehat{t}_2 - v_2^p v_3^{-p-1} v_4 \widehat{t}_2^{p^3} + v_3^{p^2\omega-p-1} v_4 \widehat{t}_1^p \\ &\quad + v_2^{p+2} v_3^{-2} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p} \widehat{t}_2^{p^2} - v_2^{p+1} v_3^{p\omega-2} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p} \widehat{t}_1 \pmod{v_2^{2p+1}} && \text{for } m \geq 2 \\ &\quad (\text{add } v_2^4 v_3^{-1} \widehat{t}_1^{17} \text{ when } (p, m) = (2, 1)). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*  $d(\widehat{w}_4)$  is easily computed using Lemma 3.1. For  $\widehat{w}_5$  we find that

$$\begin{aligned} d(\widehat{v}_5) &\equiv v_4 \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} + v_3 \widehat{t}_2^{p^3} + v_2 \widehat{t}_3^{p^2} - v_4^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_3^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2 - v_2^{p+1} \widehat{v}_3^{p(p-1)} \widehat{t}_1^{p^3} \pmod{v_2^{2p+1}} \\ &\quad (\text{add } v_2^4 \widehat{t}_1^{17} \text{ for } (p, m) = (2, 1)). \end{aligned}$$

We can read off the fact that  $d(v_4) = 0$  for  $m \geq 2$  and  $d(\widehat{v}_3) \equiv 0 \pmod{v_2}$  from Lemma 3.1. We have

$$\begin{cases} d(-v_4 \hat{w}_4^p) \equiv -v_4(\hat{t}_1^{p^4} + v_2^p v_3^{-p} \hat{t}_2^{p^3} - v_3^{(p\omega-1)p} \hat{t}_1^p) \pmod{v_2^{p^3\omega}}, \\ d(v_2^{p+1} \hat{v}_3^{p(p-1)} \hat{w}_4) \equiv v_2^{p+1} \hat{v}_3^{p(p-1)} (\hat{t}_1^{p^3} + v_2 v_3^{-1} \hat{t}_2^{p^2} - v_3^{p\omega-1} \hat{t}_1) \pmod{v_2^{2p+1}}. \end{cases}$$

Summing these congruences and multiplying  $v_3^{-1}$  gives  $d(\hat{w}_5)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. $d(\hat{x}_k)$ FOR $0 \leq k \leq 5$

For all  $p$  and  $m$  we can construct  $\hat{x}_k$  ( $0 \leq k \leq 5$ ) and compute differentials on these one at a time (Lemma 4.3). Define integers  $\hat{a}(k)$  (as in Theorem 1.3) and  $\hat{b}(k)$  for  $0 \leq k \leq 5$  by

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{a}(k) &= \begin{cases} p^k & \text{if } 0 \leq k \leq 2 \\ (p+1)p^{k-1} & \text{if } 3 \leq k \leq 5 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \\ \hat{b}(k) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq k \leq 2 \\ -p^{k-1} & \text{if } 3 \leq k \leq 5. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Define elements (as in Theorem 1.3)  $\hat{x}_k$  for  $0 \leq k \leq 5$  by

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{cases} \hat{x}_0 &= \hat{v}_3, \\ \hat{x}_3 &= \hat{x}_2^p - v_2^{p^3} \hat{w}_4^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3-1} v_3^{(p\omega-1)p^2} \hat{x}_0, \\ \hat{x}_k &= \hat{x}_{k-1}^p \quad \text{for } k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

**Lemma 4.3.** Assume that  $p \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 2$ . In the module  $M_2^1 \otimes \Gamma(m+1)$  we have

$$d(\hat{x}_k) \equiv \begin{cases} v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} \hat{t}_1^{p^{k+2}} & \pmod{v_2^{p^{k+1}\omega}} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 2, \\ -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{t}_2^{p^{k+1}} & \pmod{v_2^{p^{k-3}(p^3-p\omega-1)}} \quad \text{for } 3 \leq k \leq 5. \end{cases}$$

In particular these equivalences hold modulo  $(v_2^{1+\hat{a}(k)})$ .

*Proof.* We obtain  $d(\hat{x}_k)$  for  $0 \leq k \leq 2$  from  $\eta_R(\hat{v}_3)$  (Lemma 3.1). For  $d(\hat{x}_3)$ , we have

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{cases} d(\hat{x}_2^p) \equiv v_2^{p^3} \hat{t}_1^{p^5} & \pmod{v_2^{p^4\omega}}, \\ d(-v_2^{p^3} \hat{w}_4^{p^2}) \equiv -v_2^{p^3} (\hat{t}_1^{p^5} + v_2^{p^2} v_3^{-p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^4} - v_3^{(p\omega-1)p^2} \hat{t}_1^{p^2}) & \pmod{v_2^{(p\omega+1)p^3}}, \\ d(-v_2^{p^3-1} v_3^{(p\omega-1)p^2} \hat{x}_0) = -v_2^{p^3} v_3^{(p\omega-1)p^2} (\hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p\omega-1} \hat{t}_1). \end{cases}$$

Notice that

$$p^3 + p\omega - 1 < \min\{p^4\omega, (p\omega+1)p^3\} = p^4\omega$$

for all  $p$  and  $m$ . Summing congruences in (4.4), we have

$$d(\hat{x}_3) \equiv -v_2^{p^3+p^2} v_3^{-p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^4} + v_2^{p^3+p\omega-1} v_3^{(p\omega-1)p^2} \hat{t}_1 \pmod{v_2^{p^4\omega}}.$$

Noticing that the inequality  $p^3 + p\omega - 1 > p^3 + p^2$  holds only if  $m \geq 2$ , we find that

$$d(\hat{x}_3) \equiv \begin{cases} v_2^{p^3+p^2-1} v_3^{(p^2-1)p^2} \hat{t}_1 \pmod{v_2^{p^3+p^2}} & \text{for } m = 1, \\ -v_2^{p^3+p^2} v_3^{-p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^4} \pmod{v_2^{p^3+p\omega-1}} & \text{for } m \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

By assumption, we may consider only for the case that  $m \geq 2$ , and set  $\hat{a}(3) = p^3 + p^2$ . The formulas for  $4 \leq k \leq 5$  are obvious.  $\square$

To define  $\hat{x}_k$  for higher  $k$ , we will prepare some lemmas in the next section. The definitions of  $\hat{x}_k$  ( $k \geq 6$ ) and computations of the chromatic differential  $d_0$  on  $\hat{x}_k$  are separated into 4 sections (§7–10) according to the value of  $m$ . The results are stated in section 6.

## 5. SOME LEMMAS

Here we will prove some lemmas for later use. In the rest of this paper we will treat  $\mathrm{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^0 M_2^1$  whenever the condition in Theorem 2.1

$$(5.1) \quad 3 < 2(p-1)(m+1)/p$$

is satisfied. This is equivalent to

$$\begin{cases} m \geq 2 & \text{for } p \geq 3 \\ m \geq 3 & \text{for } p = 2. \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 5.2.** *There is an element  $W$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} d(W) \equiv & \hat{t}_2^{p^7} + v_2^{p^4} v_3^{-p^4} \hat{t}_3^{p^6} - v_2^{p^4} v_3^{-p^4} \hat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^5} d(\hat{x}_5) \\ & - v_2^{p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{(p^2\omega-1)p^4+p^3\omega} \hat{t}_1 \pmod{v_2^{e_1(p,m)}}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$e_1(p, m) = \begin{cases} (p^3 - 1)p^2 & \text{if } m = 2 \\ (p^4 - 1)p^2 & \text{if } (p, m) = (2, 3) \\ (2p^3 + p^2 - 1)p^2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* We find the following congruences:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} d(\widehat{w}_5^{p^4}) & \equiv & \widehat{t}_2^7 + v_2^{p^4} v_3^{-p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - v_3^{-p^4} v_4^{p^5} \omega \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} - v_3^{(p^2\omega-1)p^4} \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} \\ & & - v_2^{p^5} v_3^{(-p-1)p^4} v_4^{p^4} \widehat{t}_2^{p^7} + v_3^{(p^2\omega-p-1)p^4} v_4^{p^4} \widehat{t}_1^{p^5} \\ & & + v_2^{(p+2)p^4} v_3^{-2p^4} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^5} \widehat{t}_2^{p^6} - v_2^{(p+1)p^4} v_3^{(p\omega-2)p^4} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^5} \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{(2p+1)p^4}), \\ d(v_2^{-\widehat{a}(2)} v_3^{-p^4} v_4^{p^5} \omega \widehat{x}_2) & & \mod(v_2^{(p\omega-1)p^2}), \\ & \equiv & v_3^{-p^4} v_4^{p^5} \omega \widehat{t}_1^{p^4}, \\ d(-v_2^{-\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{(p^2\omega-1)p^4+p^2} \widehat{x}_3) & & \mod(v_2^{(p^2\omega-p-1)p^2}), \\ & \equiv & v_3^{(p^2\omega-1)p^4} \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} - v_2^{p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{(p^2\omega-1)p^4+p^3} \omega \widehat{t}_1 \\ d(-v_2^{p^5-p\widehat{a}(5)} v_3^{-p^4} v_4^{p^4} \widehat{x}_5^p) & & \mod(v_2^{(p\omega-1)p^3}), \\ & \equiv & v_2^{p^5} v_3^{(-p-1)p^4} v_4^{p^4} \widehat{t}_2^{p^7} \\ d(-v_2^{-p\widehat{a}(2)} v_3^{(p^2\omega-p-1)p^4} v_4^{p^4} \widehat{x}_2^p) & & \mod(v_2^{(p\omega-1)p^3}), \\ & \equiv & -v_3^{(p^2\omega-p-1)p^4} v_4^{p^4} \widehat{t}_1^{p^5} \\ d(v_2^{(p+1)p^4-\widehat{a}(2)} v_3^{(p\omega-2)p^4} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^5} \widehat{x}_2) & & \mod(v_2^{(2p+1)p^4-p^2}). \\ & \equiv & v_2^{(p+1)p^4} v_3^{(p\omega-2)p^4} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^5} \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} \end{array} \right.$$

Summing these congruences gives the desired formula. The integer  $e_1(p, m)$  is the minimum exponent of  $v_2$  in these indeterminacies.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.3.** *There is an element  $Y$  such that*

$$d(Y) \equiv v_3^{p\omega(p^3+1)} \widehat{t}_1 - v_2^{p^2+1} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} + v_2^{p^2+1} \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} d(\widehat{x}_3) + v_2^{p\omega} v_4^{p^3} \omega \widehat{t}_1 \mod(v_2^{e_2(p,m)}),$$

where

$$e_2(p, m) = \begin{cases} (p-1)(p^2-1) & \text{for } (p, m) = (3, 2), \\ (2p+1)p^2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* We find the following congruences:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} d(\hat{w}_4) & \equiv & \hat{t}_1^{p^3} + v_2 v_3^{-1} \hat{t}_2^{p^2} - v_3^{p\omega-1} \hat{t}_1 \\ d(-v_2^{-p} \hat{x}_1) & \equiv & -\hat{t}_1^{p^3} \\ d(v_2 v_3^{-1-(p^2\omega-1)p^2} \hat{w}_5^{p^2}) & \equiv & v_2 v_3^{-1-(p^2\omega-1)p^2} \left( \hat{t}_2^{p^5} + v_2^{p^2} v_3^{-p^2} \hat{t}_3^{p^4} - v_3^{-p^2} v_4^{p^3\omega} \hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_3^{(p^2\omega-1)p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^2} \right. \\ & & \left. - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{(-p-1)p^2} v_4^{p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^5} + v_3^{(p^2\omega-p-1)p^2} v_4^{p^2} \hat{t}_1^{p^3} \right. \\ & & \left. + v_2^{(p+2)p^2} v_3^{-2p^2} \hat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} \hat{t}_2^{p^4} - v_2^{(p+1)p^2} v_3^{(p\omega-2)p^2} \hat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} \hat{t}_1^{p^2} \right) \\ & & \mod(v_2^{1+(2p+1)p^2}), \\ d(v_2^{1-\hat{a}(4)} v_3^{p^3-1-(p^2\omega-1)p^2} \hat{x}_4) & \equiv & -v_2 v_3^{-1-(p^2\omega-1)p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^5} \\ d(v_3^{-1-p^4\omega} v_4^{p^3\omega} \hat{x}_0) & = & v_3^{-1-p^4\omega} v_4^{p^3\omega} (v_2 \hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p\omega} \hat{t}_1), \\ d(v_2^{1+p^3-\hat{a}(4)} v_3^{-1-p^4\omega} v_4^{p^2} \hat{x}_4) & \equiv & v_2^{1+p^3} v_3^{-1-(p\omega+1)p^3} v_4^{p^2} \hat{t}_2^{p^5} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{1+(p\omega-1)p}), \\ d(-v_2^{1-p} v_3^{-1-p^3} v_4^{p^2} \hat{x}_1) & \equiv & -v_2 v_3^{-1-p^3} v_4^{p^2} \hat{t}_1^{p^3} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{1+(p\omega-1)p}), \\ d(v_2^{(p+1)p^2} v_3^{p^3\omega(1-p)-1-p^2} \hat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} \hat{x}_0) & \equiv & v_2^{1+(p+1)p^2} v_3^{p^3\omega(1-p)-1-p^2} \hat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} \hat{t}_1^{p^2} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{(2p+1)p^2}). \end{array} \right.$$

The sum of the right sides is

$$-v_3^{p\omega-1} \hat{t}_1 + v_2^{p^2+1} v_3^{-1-p^4\omega} \hat{t}_3^{p^4} + v_2^{(p+2)p^2+1} v_3^{-1-(p^2\omega+1)p^2} \hat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} \hat{t}_2^{p^4} - v_2^{p\omega} v_3^{-1-p^4\omega} v_4^{p^3\omega} \hat{t}_1.$$

Multiplying  $-v_3^{p^4\omega+1}$  gives the desired formula. The integer  $e_2(p, m)$  is the minimum exponent of  $v_2$  in these indeterminacies.  $\square$

Now we define  $\hat{w}_6$  by

$$\hat{w}_6 = \begin{cases} v_3^{-1} (\hat{v}_6 - v_2^{-p\hat{a}(2)} v_5 \hat{x}_2^p + v_2^{-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{-\hat{b}(3)} v_4 \hat{x}_3) & \text{for } m \geq 3, \\ (\text{above expression}) + v_2^{1-p^3} v_3^{-1-p^3\omega(p^3+1)} \hat{x}_2^p Y^{p^2} - v_3^{-1-p\omega(p^3+1)} \hat{x}_2^p Y & \text{for } m = 2. \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 5.4.** *In the module  $v_3^{-1}(BP_*/I_2 \otimes \Gamma(m+1))$  we have*

$$d(\hat{w}_6) \equiv \hat{t}_3^{p^3} - v_3^{-1} v_5^{p\omega} \hat{t}_1 - v_3^{-1} v_4^{p^2\omega} \hat{t}_2 - v_3^{p^3\omega-1} \hat{t}_3 \mod(v_2).$$

*Proof.* We find that

$$(5.5) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} d(\hat{w}_6) & \equiv & v_5 \hat{t}_1^{p^5} + v_4 \hat{t}_2^{p^4} + v_3 \hat{t}_3^{p^3} - v_5^p \hat{t}_1 - v_4^{p^2\omega} \hat{t}_2 - v_3^{p^3\omega} \hat{t}_3 \\ & & \mod(v_2), \\ d(v_2^{-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{-\hat{b}(3)} v_4 \hat{x}_3) & \equiv & -v_4 \hat{t}_2^{p^4} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{p\omega-p^2-1}). \end{array} \right.$$

Notice that  $\eta_R(v_5) = v_5$  for  $m \geq 3$ , and so we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(-v_2^{-p\hat{a}(2)} v_5 \hat{x}_2^p) &= -v_2^{-p\hat{a}(2)} (d(v_5) \hat{x}_2^p + \eta(v_5) d(\hat{x}_2^p)) \\ &= -v_2^{-p\hat{a}(2)} v_5 d(\hat{x}_2^p) \\ (5.6) \quad &\equiv -v_5 \hat{t}_1^{p^5} \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{(p\omega-1)p^3}). \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the sum of (5.5) and (5.6) by  $v_3^{-1}$ , we obtain the desired formula for  $m \geq 3$ . For  $m = 2$ , we know that  $\eta_R(v_5) = \eta_R(\hat{v}_3) = v_5 + v_2 \hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3} \hat{t}_1$ , and so we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(-v_2^{-p^3} v_5 \hat{x}_2^p) &\equiv -v_2^{-p^3} \left( (v_2 \hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3} \hat{t}_1) \hat{x}_2^p + (v_5 + v_2 \hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3} \hat{t}_1) (v_2^{p^3} \hat{t}_1^{p^5}) \right) \\ &\equiv -v_2^{-p^3} \left( (v_2 \hat{t}_1^{p^2} - v_2^{p^3} \hat{t}_1) \hat{x}_2^p + v_2^{p^3} v_5 \hat{t}_1^{p^5} \right) \\ (5.7) \quad &\equiv -v_2^{1-p^3} \hat{x}_2^p \hat{t}_1^{p^2} + \hat{x}_2^p \hat{t}_1 - v_5 \hat{t}_1^{p^5} \quad \text{mod } (v_2) \end{aligned}$$

We also find that

$$(5.8) \quad \begin{cases} d(v_2^{1-p^3} v_3^{-p^3\omega(p^3+1)} \hat{x}_2^p Y^{p^2}) &\equiv v_2^{1-p^3} \hat{x}_2^p \hat{t}_1^{p^2}, \\ d(-v_3^{-p\omega(p^3+1)} \hat{x}_2^p Y) &\equiv -\hat{x}_2^p \hat{t}_1 \quad \text{mod } (v_2). \end{cases}$$

Multiplying the sum of (5.5), (5.7) and (5.8) by  $v_3^{-1}$  gives the desired formula for  $m = 2$ .  $\square$

Using this  $\hat{w}_6$  we define  $X$  by

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \hat{w}_6^{p^4} - v_2^{-\hat{a}(2)} v_3^{-p^4} v_5^{p^5\omega} \hat{x}_2 - v_2^{-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{-p^4+p^2} v_4^{p^6\omega} \hat{x}_3 \\ &\quad + v_2^{p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{(\omega-p)p^3-p\omega(p^3+1)} v_4^{p^6\omega} Y. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

**Proposition 5.9.** *For  $m \geq 3$ ,*

$$d(X) \equiv \hat{t}_3^7 - v_3^{(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \hat{t}_3^{p^4} \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{p^4}).$$

*Proof.* We find the following congruences

$$(5.10) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} d(\widehat{w}_6^{p^4}) & \equiv & \widehat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_3^{-p^4} v_5^{p^5 \omega} \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} - v_3^{-p^4} v_4^{p^6 \omega} \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} - v_3^{(p^3 \omega - 1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{p^4}), \\ d(v_2^{-\widehat{a}(2)} v_3^{-p^4} v_5^{p^5 \omega} \widehat{x}_2) & \equiv & v_3^{-p^4} v_5^{p^5 \omega} \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} \\ & & \mod(v_2^{(p\omega - 1)p^2}), \\ d(-v_2^{-\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{-p^4 + p^2} v_4^{p^6 \omega} \widehat{x}_3) & \equiv & -v_2^{-\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{-p^4 + p^2} v_4^{p^6 \omega} (-v_2^{\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{-p^2} \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} + v_2^{p^3 + p\omega - 1} v_3^{(p\omega - 1)p^2} \widehat{t}_1) \\ & & \mod(v_2^{(p^2 \omega - p - 1)p^2}), \\ d(v_2^{p\omega - p^2 - 1} v_3^{(\omega - p)p^3 - p\omega(p^3 + 1)} v_4^{p^6 \omega} Y) & \equiv & v_2^{p\omega - p^2 - 1} v_3^{(\omega - p)p^3} v_4^{p^6 \omega} \widehat{t}_1 \\ & & \mod(v_2^{p\omega}) \end{array} \right.$$

Summing these congruences gives the desired formula.  $\square$

In case that  $m = 2$  we have the following analogy instead.

**Proposition 5.11.** *For  $m = 2$ , there is an element  $\tilde{X}$  such that*

$$d(\tilde{X}) \equiv \widehat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_3^{(p^3 \omega - 1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{p\omega(p^2 - p^3 - 1 - p^6)} v_4^{p^6 \omega} \widehat{t}_3^{p^7} \mod(v_2^{2p^3 - p^2 - 1}).$$

*Proof.* Instead of the last congruence of 5.10 we find that

$$\begin{aligned} d(v_2^{p\omega - p^2 - 1} v_3^{(\omega - p)p^3 - p\omega(p^3 + 1)} v_4^{p^6 \omega} Y) \\ \equiv v_2^{p^3 - p^2 - 1} v_3^{(\omega - p)p^3 - p\omega(p^3 + 1)} v_4^{p^6 \omega} (v_3^{p\omega(p^3 + 1)} \widehat{t}_1 - v_2^{p^2 + 1} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4}) \\ \mod(v_2^{2p\omega - p^2 - 1}). \end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$d(X) \equiv \widehat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_3^{(p^3 \omega - 1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - v_2^{p\omega} v_3^{(\omega - p)p^3 - p\omega(p^3 + 1)} v_4^{p^6 \omega} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} \mod(v_2^{2p^3 - p^2 - 1}).$$

Then, define  $\tilde{X}$  by

$$\tilde{X} = X - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{p\omega(p^2 - p^3 - 1 - p^6)} v_4^{p^6 \omega} X.$$

This gives the desired formula.  $\square$

Define integers  $a_i(6)$  and  $b_i(6)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} a_1(6) & = & p^4(p^2 + p + 1), \\ a_2(6) & = & (p + 1)p^5 + p\omega, \\ b_1(6) & = & -(p + 1)p^4, \\ b_2(6) & = & -(p + 1)p^4 + p\omega(p^2 - 1)(p^3 + 1). \end{array} \right.$$

and the element  $M$  by

$$\begin{aligned} M = & \widehat{x}_5^p + v_2^{(p+1)p^5} v_3^{-p^5} W + v_2^{a_2(6) - p^2 - 1} v_3^{b_2(6)} Y \\ & - v_2^{a_2(6) + p\omega - p^2 - 1} v_3^{b_2(6) - p\omega(p^3 + 1)} v_4^{p^3 \omega} Y \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 5.12.** *For  $m \geq 2$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} d(M) &\equiv v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5) \right) - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3) \right) \\ &\quad + v_2^{a_2(6)+p\omega} v_3^{b_2(6)-p\omega(p^3+1)} v_4^{p^3\omega} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3) \right) \\ &\quad - v_2^{a_2(6)+2p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)-p\omega(p^3+1)} v_4^{2p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_1 \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{e(p,m)}), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$e(p, m) = (p+1)p^5 + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (p\omega - p^2 - 1)p^3 \\ e_1(p, m) \\ p\omega - p^2 - 1 + e_2(p, m) \end{array} \right\}$$

*Proof.* We find that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} d(\widehat{x}_5^p) &\equiv -v_2^{(p+1)p^5} v_3^{-p^5} \widehat{t}_2^{p^7} \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{(p^3+p\omega-1)p^3}), \\ d(v_2^{(p+1)p^5} v_3^{-p^5} W) &\equiv v_2^{(p+1)p^5} v_3^{-p^5} \widehat{t}_2^{p^7} + v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^5} d(\widehat{x}_5) \right) \\ &\quad - v_2^{a_2(6)-p^2-1} v_3^{(p^2\omega-p-1)p^4+p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_1 \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{(p+1)p^5+e_1(p,m)}), \\ d(v_2^{a_2(6)-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)} Y) &\equiv v_2^{a_2(6)-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)+p\omega(p^3+1)} \widehat{t}_1 \\ &\quad - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} d(\widehat{x}_3) \right) + v_2^{a_2(6)+p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)} v_4^{p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_1 \\ &\quad \text{mod } (v_2^{a_2(6)-p^2-1+e_2(p,m)}), \\ d(-v_2^{a_2(6)+p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)-p\omega(p^3+1)} v_4^{p^3\omega} Y) &\equiv -v_2^{a_2(6)+p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)} v_4^{p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_1 \\ &\quad + v_2^{a_2(6)+p\omega} v_3^{b_2(6)-p\omega(p^3+1)} v_4^{p^3\omega} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{v}_3^{(p-1)p^3} d(\widehat{x}_3) \right) \\ &\quad - v_2^{a_2(6)+2p\omega-p^2-1} v_3^{b_2(6)-p\omega(p^3+1)} v_4^{2p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_1 \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{a_2(6)+p\omega-p^2-1+e_2(p,m)}). \end{array} \right.$$

Summing these congruences gives the desired formula.  $\square$

## 6. $d(\widehat{x}_k)$ FOR $k \geq 6$

Define integers  $c_i$  and  $d_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$  by

$$(6.1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} c_1 &=& a_1(6) + \widehat{a}(5), \\ c_2 &=& a_2(6) + \widehat{a}(3), \\ d_1 &=& b_1(6) + \widehat{b}(5), \\ d_2 &=& b_2(6) + \widehat{b}(3), \end{array} \right.$$

and integers  $\ell(i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  by

$$(6.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \ell(1) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_1(6) \leq a_2(6), \\ 2 & \text{if } a_1(6) > a_2(6); \end{cases} \\ \ell(2) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } c_1 \leq c_2, \\ 2 & \text{if } c_1 > c_2. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Then we define  $\widehat{a}(k)$  and  $\widehat{b}(k)$  for  $k \geq 6$  (they were defined for  $0 \leq k \leq 5$  in (4.1)) by

$$(6.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \widehat{a}(k) &= \begin{cases} p^{k-6}a_{\ell(1)}(6) & \text{for all } m \text{ and } 6 \leq k \leq 8, \\ (p^3 - 1)\widehat{a}(6) + c_{\ell(2)} & \text{for all } m \text{ and } k = 9, \\ p^{k-9}(\widehat{a}(9) - \widehat{a}(5)) + \widehat{a}(k-4) & \text{for } m \geq 5 \text{ and } k \geq 10, \\ p^{k-9}(\widehat{a}(9) - \widehat{a}(3)) + \widehat{a}(k-6) & \text{for } 2 \leq m \leq 4 \text{ and } k \geq 10; \end{cases} \\ \widehat{b}(k) &= \begin{cases} p^{k-6}b_{\ell(1)}(6) & \text{for } m \geq 3 \text{ and } 6 \leq k \leq 8, \\ (p^3 - 1)\widehat{b}(6) + (p^3\omega - 1)p^6 + d_{\ell(2)} & \text{for } m \geq 3 \text{ and } k = 9, \\ p^{k-6}(b_2(6) - (p^3\omega - 1)p^4) & \text{for } m = 2 \text{ and } 6 \leq k \leq 7, \\ p^2b_2(6) & \text{for } m = 2 \text{ and } k = 8, \\ p^3\widehat{b}(6) + (p^3\omega - 1)p^4 + \widehat{b}(3) & \text{for } m = 2 \text{ and } k = 9, \\ p^{k-9}(\widehat{b}(9) - \widehat{b}(5)) + \widehat{b}(k-4) & \text{for } m \geq 5 \text{ and } k \geq 10, \\ p^{k-9}(\widehat{b}(9) - \widehat{b}(3)) + \widehat{b}(k-6) & \text{for } 2 \leq m \leq 4 \text{ and } k \geq 10; \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Define  $\widehat{y}_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$  by

$$\begin{cases} \widehat{y}_1 = -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)}v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)}X^{p^2} - v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)}v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6}\widehat{x}_6, \\ \widehat{y}_2 = v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)+a_2(6)}v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6+b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4}(X - v_2^{-\widehat{a}(7)}v_3^{-\widehat{b}(7)}\widehat{x}_7), \\ \widehat{y}_3 = v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)}v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)}X, \\ \widehat{y}_4 = -v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)}v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^4}\widehat{x}_6. \end{cases}$$

For  $m \geq 5$ , define  $\widehat{x}_k \in v_3^{-1}BP_*$  for  $k \geq 6$  by

$$(6.4) \quad \widehat{x}_k = \begin{cases} M^{p^{k-6}} & \text{for } 6 \leq k \leq 8, \\ \widehat{x}_8^p + \widehat{y}_1 & \text{for } k = 9 \text{ unless } (p, m) = (2, 5), \\ \widehat{x}_8^p + \widehat{y}_1 + \widehat{y}_2 & \text{for } k = 9 \text{ and } (p, m) = (2, 5), \\ \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p + v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)}v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)}\widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1}(\widehat{x}_{k-4} - \widehat{x}_{k-5}^p) & \text{for } k \geq 10. \end{cases}$$

For  $m = 4$ , define  $\widehat{x}_k$  for  $k \geq 6$  by

$$(6.5) \quad \widehat{x}_k = \begin{cases} M^{p^{k-6}} & \text{for } 6 \leq k \leq 8, \\ \widehat{x}_8^p + \widehat{y}_1 + \widehat{y}_2 & \text{for } k = 9, \\ \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p - v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-6)}v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-6)}\widehat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1}(\widehat{x}_{k-6} - \widehat{x}_{k-7}^p) & \text{for } k \geq 10. \end{cases}$$

For  $m = 3$ , define  $\hat{x}_k$  for  $k \geq 6$  by

$$(6.6) \quad \hat{x}_k = \begin{cases} M - v_2^{\hat{a}(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} X & \text{for } k = 6, \\ \hat{x}_6^p & \text{for } k = 7, \\ M^{p^2} & \text{for } k = 8, \\ \hat{x}_8^p + \hat{y}_1 + \hat{y}_3 & \text{for } k = 9, \\ \hat{x}_{k-1}^p - v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} \hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} (\hat{x}_{k-6} - \hat{x}_{k-7}^p) & \text{for } k \geq 10. \end{cases}$$

For  $m = 2$ , define  $\hat{x}_k$  for  $k \geq 6$  by

$$(6.7) \quad \hat{x}_k = \begin{cases} (M - v_2^{\hat{a}(6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \tilde{X})(1 + v_2^{p^3} v_3^{p\omega(p^2-p^3-1-p^6)} v_4^{p^6\omega}) & \text{for } k = 6, \\ \hat{x}_6^p & \text{for } k = 7, \\ M^{p^2} & \text{for } k = 8, \\ \hat{x}_8^p + \hat{y}_4 & \text{for } k = 9, \\ \hat{x}_{k-1}^p - v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} \hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} (\hat{x}_{k-6} - \hat{x}_{k-7}^p) & \text{for } k \geq 10. \end{cases}$$

Then we have

**Lemma 6.8.** *Assume that  $p$  and  $m$  satisfy (5.1). Modulo  $(v_2^{1+\hat{a}(k)})$ , the differential on  $\hat{x}_k$  ( $k \geq 6$ ) is expressed as*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{t}_3^{p^k} & \text{for } m \geq 4 \text{ and } 6 \leq k \leq 8, \\ v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{t}_3^{p^k} - v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{p^{k-6} b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^{k-2}} \hat{t}_3^{p^{k+1}} & \text{for } m = 3 \text{ and } 6 \leq k \leq 7, \\ v_2^{\hat{a}(8)} v_3^{\hat{b}(8)} \hat{t}_3^{p^8} - v_2^{\hat{a}(8)} v_3^{p^2 b_2(6)} \hat{t}_3^{p^6} & \text{for } m = 3 \text{ and } k = 8, \\ -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{t}_3^{p^{k+1}} & \text{for } m = 2 \text{ and } 6 \leq k \leq 7, \\ -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{t}_3^{p^6} & \text{for } m = 2 \text{ and } k = 8, \\ v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-4)} \hat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_{k-4}) & \text{for } m \geq 5 \text{ and } k \geq 9. \\ -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} \hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_{k-6}) & \text{for } 2 \leq m \leq 4 \text{ and } k \geq 9. \end{array} \right.$$

□

We will prove this lemma in Sections 7, 8, 9 and 10. Then our main result is

**Theorem 6.9.** *As a  $\widehat{k}(2)_*$ -module,  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}(M_2^1)$  is the direct sum of*

- (a) *the cyclic submodules generated by  $\hat{x}_k^s / v_2^{\hat{a}(k)}$  for  $k \geq 0$  and  $s \in \mathbf{Z} - p\mathbf{Z}$ , where  $\hat{x}_k$  and  $\hat{a}(k)$  are elements defined in section 4 and this section.*
- (b)  *$\widehat{K}(2)_*/\widehat{k}(2)_*$ , generated by  $1/v_2^j$  for  $j \geq 1$ .*

□

## 7. PROOF OF LEMMA 6.8 FOR $m \geq 5$

Notice that the exponent  $e(p, m)$  in Proposition 5.12 is

$$(p+1)p^5 + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (p\omega - p^2 - 1)p^3 \\ (2p+1)p^4 - p^2 \\ p\omega + 2p^3 - 1 \end{array} \right\} = (p+1)p^5 + (2p+1)p^4 - p^2,$$

which is always larger than

$$a_1(6) + \hat{a}(5) + p^3 + p + 2 = (p+1)p^5 + (p^5 + 2p^4 + p^3 + p + 2)$$

for all primes  $p$ . By Proposition 5.12 we have

$$d(\widehat{x}_6) \equiv \begin{cases} v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5)) - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} & \text{if } (p, m) = (2, 5) \\ v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5)) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$\text{mod } (v_2^{a_1(6)+\widehat{a}(5)+p^3+p+2})$ . In particular, we have

$$d(\widehat{x}_6) \equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} \pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(6)+\widehat{a}(5)})}$$

in both cases. For  $d(\widehat{x}_9)$  we find that

$$(7.1) \quad d(\widehat{x}_8^p) \equiv v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^9} \pmod{(v_2^{p^3(\widehat{a}(6)+\widehat{a}(5))})}.$$

Assume that  $(p, m) \neq (2, 5)$ . For  $d(\widehat{y}_1)$  we find that

$$(7.2) \quad \begin{cases} d(-v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} X^{p^2}) \\ \equiv -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^9} - v_3^{(p^3\omega-1)p^6} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6}) & \text{mod } (v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)+p^6}), \\ d(-v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6} \widehat{x}_6) \\ \equiv -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5)) & \text{mod } (v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)+p^3+p+2}) \end{cases}$$

(Notice that the second formula fails if  $(p, m) = (2, 5)$ ). This gives

$$(7.3) \quad d(\widehat{y}_1) \equiv -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^9} + v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6} \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5).$$

$\text{mod } (v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)+p^3+p+2})$ . Summing (7.1) and (7.2), we obtain

$$d(\widehat{x}_9) \equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(5)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(9)-\widehat{b}(5)} \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5) \pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)+p^3+p+2})}$$

unless  $(p, m) = (2, 5)$ . We will see that a similar congruence holds even for  $(p, m) = (2, 5)$  after an appropriate change of  $\widehat{x}_9$ .

Define integers  $n(k)$  by

$$n(k) = \begin{cases} p^3 + p + 2 & \text{for } k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ (p+2)p & \text{for } k \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \\ (p+2)p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \\ (p+2)p^3 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

Instead of (6.3), we may define integers  $\widehat{a}(k)$  for  $k \geq 9$  inductively on  $k$  by

$$\widehat{a}(k) = \begin{cases} p\widehat{a}(k-1) + p^5 + p^4 & \text{for } k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ p\widehat{a}(k-1) + p^4 & \text{for } k \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \\ p\widehat{a}(k-1) & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \text{ and } 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

This suggests that we may compute  $d(\widehat{x}_k)$  modulo  $(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)+n(k)})$  inductively on  $k$ . Assume that the congruence

$$(7.4) \quad d(\widehat{x}_{k-1}) \equiv v_2^{p^{k-10}(\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(5))} v_3^{p^{k-10}(\widehat{b}(9)-\widehat{b}(5))} \widehat{x}_{k-5}^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_{k-5})$$

holds modulo  $(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k-1)+n(k-1)})$ . For  $10 \leq k \leq 14$  it follows by direct calculations. Moreover, this gives  $d(\widehat{x}_k)$  whenever  $11 \leq k \equiv 0$  or  $3 \pmod{4}$ , since  $\widehat{x}_k = \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p$ . In other cases we denote  $\widehat{x}_k - \widehat{x}_{k-1}^p$  by  $\widehat{z}_k$ . Notice that  $\widehat{z}_k$  is related with  $\widehat{z}_{k-4}$  by

$$\widehat{z}_k = v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} \widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} \widehat{z}_{k-4}.$$

Then  $d(\widehat{z}_k)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} d(\widehat{z}_k) &= v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} d(\widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} \widehat{z}_{k-4}) \\ &= v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} \left( d(\widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1}) \widehat{z}_{k-4} + \eta_R(\widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1}) d(\widehat{z}_{k-4}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $\widehat{z}_{k-4}$  divided by  $\widehat{a}(k-4) - \widehat{a}(k-8)$ , so that we can ignore  $d(\widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1})$ , because

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{a}(k) + n(k) - (\widehat{a}(k) - \widehat{a}(k-4)) - (\widehat{a}(k-4) - \widehat{a}(k-8)) \\ = n(k) + \widehat{a}(k-8) \\ < \widehat{a}(k-4). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$(7.5) \quad d(\widehat{z}_k) \equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} \widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} d(\widehat{z}_{k-4}) \pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)+n(k)})}.$$

On the other hand, by assumption (7.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(\widehat{x}_{k-1}^p) &\equiv v_2^{p^{k-9}(\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(5))} v_3^{p^{k-9}(\widehat{b}(9)-\widehat{b}(5))} \widehat{x}_{k-5}^{(p-1)p} d(\widehat{x}_{k-5}^p) \\ (7.6) \quad &\equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} \widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_{k-5}^p) \pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)+n(k)})}. \end{aligned}$$

Summing (7.5) and (7.6), we obtain

$$d(\widehat{x}_k) \equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-4)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-4)} \widehat{x}_{k-4}^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_{k-4}) \pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)+n(k)})}$$

as desired.  $\square$

Now we consider the  $(p, m) = (2, 5)$  case. We have the following congruence instead of the second one in (7.2):

$$(7.7) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(-v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6} \widehat{x}_6) \\ \equiv -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6} \left( \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - \widehat{x}_5^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_5) \right) \\ + v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)+a_2(6)} v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6+b_2(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} \end{array} \right. \pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)+p^3+p+2})}$$

Define  $\widehat{y}_2$  by

$$\widehat{y}_2 = v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)+a_2(6)} v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6+b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} (X - v_2^{-\widehat{a}(7)} v_3^{-\widehat{b}(7)} \widehat{x}_7).$$

We see that the differential on  $X - v_2^{-\widehat{a}(7)} v_3^{-\widehat{b}(7)} \widehat{x}_7$  is expressed as

$$d(X - v_2^{-\widehat{a}(7)} v_3^{-\widehat{b}(7)} \widehat{x}_7) \equiv -v_3^{(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} \pmod{\left(v_2^{p^4}\right)}.$$

This gives

$$(7.8) \quad d(\widehat{y}_2) \equiv -v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)+a_2(6)} v_3^{(p^3-1)\widehat{b}(6)+(p^3\omega-1)p^6+b_2(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4}$$

$\pmod{(v_2^{(p^3-1)\widehat{a}(6)+a_2(6)+p^4})}$ . Summing (7.7) and (7.8), we have the same one as the second of (7.2).  $\square$

## 8. PROOF OF LEMMA 6.8 FOR $m = 4$

Notice that the exponent  $e(p, m)$  in Proposition 5.12 is

$$(p+1)p^5 + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (p^5 - p^2 - 1)p^3 \\ (2p+1)p^4 - p^2 \\ p^5 + 2p^3 - 1 \end{array} \right\} = (p+1)p^5 + p^5 + 2p^3 - 1,$$

which is always greater than or equal to

$$a_2(6) + \widehat{a}(3) + p + 1 = (p+1)p^5 + p^5 + p^3 + p^2 + p + 1$$

for all primes  $p$ . By Proposition 5.12 we have

$$d(\widehat{x}_6) \equiv v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3)) \pmod{(v_2^{a_2(6)+\widehat{a}(3)+p+1})}.$$

In particular we have

$$d(\widehat{x}_6) \equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} \pmod{\left(v_2^{a_2(6)}\right)}.$$

for any prime  $p$ . For  $d(\widehat{x}_9)$  we have

$$(8.1) \quad d(\widehat{x}_8) \equiv v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^9} \pmod{\left(v_2^{p^3a_2(6)}\right)}.$$

Instead of (7.2) we have

$$(8.2) \quad d(\widehat{y}_1) \equiv -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^9} + v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(9)-\widehat{b}(3)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3))$$

$\pmod{(v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)+p+1})}$ . Moreover, as same as (7.8) we have

$$(8.3) \quad d(\widehat{y}_2) \equiv -v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(9)-\widehat{b}(3)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4} \pmod{\left(v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(3)+p^4}\right)}.$$

Summing (8.1), (8.2) and (8.3), we obtain

$$d(\hat{x}_9) \equiv -v_2^{\hat{a}(9)-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{\hat{b}(9)-\hat{b}(3)} \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3) \pmod{v_2^{\hat{a}(9)+p+1}}.$$

for any prime  $p$ .

Define integers  $n(k)$  by

$$(8.4) \quad n(k) = \begin{cases} p+1 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{6}, \\ (p+1)p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 4 \pmod{6}, \\ (p+1)p^3 & \text{for } k \equiv 5 \pmod{6}, \\ p^2-p+2 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{6}, \\ (p^2-p+2)p & \text{for } k \equiv 1 \pmod{6}, \\ (p^2-p+2)p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 2 \pmod{6}. \end{cases}$$

Instead of (6.3), we may define integers  $\hat{a}(k)$  for  $k \geq 9$  inductively on  $k$  by

$$\hat{a}(k) = \begin{cases} p\hat{a}(k-1) + p^5 - p^4 + p^3 + p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{6}, \\ p\hat{a}(k-1) + p^4 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{6}, \\ p\hat{a}(k-1) & \text{for } k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

This suggests that we may compute  $d(\hat{x}_k)$  modulo  $(v_2^{\hat{a}(k)+n(k)})$  inductively on  $k$ . Assume that the congruences

$$(8.5) \quad d(\hat{x}_{k-1}) \equiv -v_2^{p^{k-10}(\hat{a}(9)-\hat{a}(3))} v_3^{p^{k-10}(\hat{b}(9)-\hat{b}(3))} \hat{x}_{k-7}^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_{k-7})$$

holds modulo  $(v_2^{\hat{a}(k-1)+n(k-1)})$ . For  $10 \leq k \leq 16$  case it follows by direct calculations. Moreover, this gives  $d(\hat{x}_k)$  whenever  $10 \leq k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , since  $\hat{x}_k = \hat{x}_{k-1}^p$ . In other cases we denote  $\hat{x}_k - \hat{x}_{k-1}^p$  by  $\hat{z}_k$ . Notice that  $\hat{z}_k$  is related with  $\hat{z}_{k-6}$  by

$$\hat{z}_k = -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} \hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} \hat{z}_{k-6}.$$

Then  $d(\hat{z}_k)$  is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} d(\hat{z}_k) &= -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} d(\hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} \hat{z}_{k-6}) \\ &= -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} \left\{ d(\hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1}) \hat{z}_{k-6} + \eta_R(\hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1}) d(\hat{z}_{k-6}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $\hat{z}_{k-6}$  is divided by  $v_2^{\hat{a}(k-6)-\hat{a}(k-12)}$ , so that we can ignore  $d(\hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1})$ , because

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}(k) + n(k) - (\hat{a}(k) - \hat{a}(k-6)) - (\hat{a}(k-6) - \hat{a}(k-12)) \\ = n(k) + \hat{a}(k-12) \\ < \hat{a}(k-6). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$(8.6) \quad d(\hat{z}_k) \equiv -v_2^{\hat{a}(k)-\hat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)-\hat{b}(k-6)} \hat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} d(\hat{z}_{k-6}) \pmod{v_2^{\hat{a}(k)+n(k)}}.$$

On the other hand, by assumption (8.5) we have

$$(8.7) \quad \begin{aligned} d(\widehat{x}_{k-1}^p) &\equiv -v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-6)} \widehat{x}_{k-7}^{(p-1)p} d(\widehat{x}_{k-7}^p) \\ &\equiv -v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-6)} \widehat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_{k-7}^p) \quad \text{mod } \left(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)+n(k)}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Summing (8.6) and (8.7), we obtain

$$d(\widehat{x}_k) \equiv -v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)-\widehat{a}(k-6)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)-\widehat{b}(k-6)} \widehat{x}_{k-6}^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_{k-6}) \quad \text{mod } \left(v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)+n(k)}\right)$$

as desired.  $\square$

## 9. PROOF OF LEMMA 6.8 FOR $m = 3$

Notice that the exponent  $e(p, m)$  in Proposition 5.12 is

$$(p+1)p^5 + \min \left\{ \frac{(p^4 - p^2 - 1)p^3}{g(p, 3)}, \frac{p^4 + 2p^3 - 1}{p^4 + 2p^3 - 1} \right\} = (p+1)p^5 + p^4 + 2p^3 - 1,$$

which is always greater than or equal to

$$a_2(6) + \widehat{a}(3) + p + 1 = (p^6 + p^5 + p^4) + (p^3 + p^2) + p + 1$$

for all primes  $p$ . By Proposition 5.12 and 6.8 we have

$$(9.1) \quad \begin{cases} d(M) \equiv v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3)) \quad \text{mod } \left(v_2^{a_2(6)+\widehat{a}(3)+p+1}\right), \\ d(-v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} X) \equiv -v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_3^{(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^4}) \quad \text{mod } \left(v_2^{\widehat{a}(6)+p^4}\right). \end{cases}$$

This gives

$$d(\widehat{x}_6) \equiv v_2^{a_1(6)} v_3^{b_1(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} + v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3) - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^7} \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{a_2(6)+\widehat{a}(3)+p+1}).$$

In particular we have

$$d(\widehat{x}_6) \equiv v_2^{\widehat{a}(6)} (v_3^{\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6} - v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \widehat{t}_3^{p^7}) \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{\widehat{a}(6)+\widehat{a}(3)}).$$

Using the first congruence in (9.1), we find that

$$d(\widehat{x}_8) \equiv v_2^{p^2\widehat{a}(6)} (v_3^{p^2\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^8} - v_3^{p^2b_2(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^6}) \quad \text{mod } (v_2^{p^2(\widehat{a}(6)+\widehat{a}(3))}).$$

For  $d(\widehat{x}_9)$  we have

$$(9.2) \quad \begin{cases} d(\widehat{x}_8^p) \equiv v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} (v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^9} - v_3^{p^3b_2(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^7}) \quad \text{mod } \left(v_2^{p^3(\widehat{a}(6)+\widehat{a}(3))}\right) \\ d(\widehat{y}_1) \equiv -v_2^{p^3\widehat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3\widehat{b}(6)} \widehat{t}_3^{p^9} + v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)-\widehat{a}(3)} v_3^{\widehat{b}(9)-\widehat{b}(3)} (\widehat{t}_3^{p^4} - \widehat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\widehat{x}_3)) \quad \text{mod } \left(v_2^{\widehat{a}(9)+p+1}\right). \end{cases}$$

Moreover, we find that

$$(9.3) \quad d(\hat{y}_3) \equiv v_2^{p^3\hat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3b_2(6)} (\hat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_3^{(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \hat{t}_3^{p^4}) \pmod{v_2^{p^3\hat{a}(6)+p^4}}.$$

Summing (9.2) and (9.3), we have

$$d(\hat{x}_9) \equiv -v_2^{\hat{a}(9)-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{\hat{b}(9)-\hat{b}(3)} \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3) \pmod{v_2^{\hat{a}(9)+p+1}}.$$

for all primes  $p$ .

Define integers  $n(k)$  by

$$(9.4) \quad n(k) = \begin{cases} p+1 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{6}, \\ (p+1)p & \text{for } k \equiv 4 \pmod{6}, \\ (p+1)p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 5 \pmod{6}, \\ p^3 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{6}, \\ p^4 & \text{for } k \equiv 1 \pmod{6}, \\ p^5 & \text{for } k \equiv 2 \pmod{6}. \end{cases}$$

Instead of (6.3), we may define integers  $\hat{a}(k)$  for  $k \geq 9$  inductively on  $k$  by

$$\hat{a}(k) = \begin{cases} p\hat{a}(k-1) + p^3 + p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{6}, \\ p\hat{a}(k-1) + p^4 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{6}, \\ p\hat{a}(k-1) & \text{for } k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

This suggests that we may compute  $d(x_k)$  modulo  $(v_2^{\hat{a}(k)+n(k)})$  inductively on  $k$ . We can prove this proposition in the same fashion as in case that  $m = 4$ .  $\square$

## 10. PROOF OF LEMMA 6.8 FOR $m = 2$

Notice that the exponent  $e(p, m)$  in Proposition 5.12 is

$$(p+1)p^5 + \min \left\{ \frac{(p^3-p^2-1)p^3}{(p^3-1)p^2}, \frac{p^3-p^2-1+f(p, 2)}{p^3-p^2-1+f(p, 2)} \right\}$$

which is larger than

$$a_2(6) + \hat{a}(3) + 2 = (p+1)p^5 + p^3 + (p^3+p^2) + 2$$

only if  $p > 2$ . We define  $N$  by

$$N = M - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \tilde{X}.$$

By Proposition 5.12 we have

$$(10.1) \quad \begin{cases} d(M) \equiv -v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} (\hat{t}_3^{p^4} - \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3)) \pmod{v_2^{a_2(6)+\hat{a}(3)+2}} \\ d(-v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \tilde{X}) \\ \equiv -v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \\ (\hat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_3^{(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \hat{t}_3^{p^4} - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{p\omega(p^2-p^3-1-p^6)} v_4^{p^6\omega} \hat{t}_3^{p^7}) \\ \pmod{v_2^{a_2(6)+2p^3-p^2-1}} \end{cases}$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} d(N) \equiv & v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3) \\ & - v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} (\hat{t}_3^{p^7} - v_2^{p^3} v_3^{p\omega(p^2-p^3-1-p^6)} v_4^{p^6\omega} \hat{t}_3^{p^7}) \\ & \mod(v_2^{a_2(6)+\hat{a}(3)+2}). \end{aligned}$$

Then it is easy to see that

$$d(\hat{x}_6) \equiv v_2^{a_2(6)} v_3^{b_2(6)} \left( \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3) - v_3^{-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \hat{t}_3^{p^7} \right) \mod(v_2^{a_2(6)+\hat{a}(3)+2})$$

for  $p > 2$ . In particular we have

$$d(\hat{x}_6) \equiv -v_2^{\hat{a}(6)} v_3^{\hat{b}(6)} \hat{t}_3^{p^7} \mod(v_2^{\hat{a}(6)+\hat{a}(3)}).$$

for  $p > 2$ . Using the first congruence in (10.1), we find that

$$d(\hat{x}_8) \equiv -v_2^{p^2\hat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^2b_2(6)} \hat{t}_3^{p^6} \mod(v_2^{p^2(\hat{a}(6)+p^3)}).$$

For  $d(\hat{x}_9)$  we have

$$(10.2) \quad \begin{cases} d(\hat{x}_8) \equiv -v_2^{p^3\hat{a}(6)} v_3^{p^3b_2(6)} \hat{t}_3^{p^7} \mod(v_2^{p^3(\hat{a}(6)+p^3)}), \\ d(\hat{y}_4) \equiv -v_2^{\hat{a}(9)-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{\hat{b}(9)-\hat{b}(3)} \left( \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3) - v_3^{-(p^3\omega-1)p^4} \hat{t}_3^{p^7} \right) \mod(v_2^{\hat{a}(9)+2}). \end{cases}$$

Summing (10.2), we obtain

$$d(\hat{x}_9) \equiv -v_2^{\hat{a}(9)-\hat{a}(3)} v_3^{\hat{b}(9)-\hat{b}(3)} \hat{x}_3^{p-1} d(\hat{x}_3) \mod(v_2^{p^3\hat{a}(6)+\hat{a}(3)+2})$$

for  $p > 2$ .

Define integers  $n(k)$  by

$$(10.3) \quad n(k) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{6}, \\ 2p & \text{for } k \equiv 4 \pmod{6}, \\ 2p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 5 \pmod{6}, \\ p^3 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{6}, \\ p^4 & \text{for } k \equiv 1 \pmod{6}, \\ p^5 & \text{for } k \equiv 2 \pmod{6}. \end{cases}$$

Instead of (6.3), we may define integers  $\hat{a}(k)$  for  $k \geq 9$  inductively on  $k$  by

$$\hat{a}(k) = \begin{cases} p\hat{a}(k-1) + p^3 + p^2 & \text{for } k \equiv 3 \pmod{6}, \\ p\hat{a}(k-1) + p^3 & \text{for } k \equiv 0 \pmod{6}, \\ p\hat{a}(k-1) & \text{for } k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

This suggests that we may compute  $d(x_k)$  modulo  $(v_2^{\hat{a}(k)+n(k)})$  inductively on  $k$ . We can prove this proposition in the same fashion as in case that  $m = 4$ .  $\square$

## 11. PROOF OF THE MAIN THEOREM

Here we will prove Theorem 6.9. First we consider the case that  $m \geq 5$  (Theorem 1.3 included).

By Lemma 2.4 it suffices to show that the set

$$\left\{ \delta \left( \widehat{x}_k^s / v_2^{\widehat{a}(k)} \right) : k \geq 0, s > 0 \text{ and } p \nmid s \right\} \subset \text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_3^0)$$

is linearly independent over

$$\widehat{k}(2)_*/(v_2) = \mathbf{Z}/(p)[v_2, \dots, v_m, \widehat{v}_1].$$

It follows from (2.2) that this group is the free  $\widehat{K}(2)_*$ -module on the nine classes represented by

$$(11.1) \quad \left\{ \widehat{t}_1, \widehat{t}_1^p, \widehat{t}_1^{p^2}, \widehat{t}_2, \widehat{t}_2^p, \widehat{t}_2^{p^2}, \widehat{t}_3, \widehat{t}_3^p, \widehat{t}_3^{p^2} \right\}.$$

In  $\Gamma(m+1)/I_3$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_R(\widehat{v}_4) &= \widehat{v}_4 + v_3 \widehat{t}_1^{p^3} - v_3^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1, \\ \eta_R(\widehat{v}_5) &= \widehat{v}_5 + v_4 \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} + v_3 \widehat{t}_2^{p^3} - v_4^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_3^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2, \\ \text{and} \quad \eta_R(\widehat{v}_6) &= \widehat{v}_6 + v_5 \widehat{t}_1^{p^5} + v_4 \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} + v_3 \widehat{t}_3^{p^3} - v_5^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_4^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2 - v_3^{p^3\omega} \widehat{t}_3. \end{aligned}$$

so in  $\text{Ext}_{\Gamma(m+1)}^1(M_3^0)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{t}_1^{p^3} &= v_3^{p\omega-1} \widehat{t}_1, \\ \widehat{t}_2^{p^3} &= v_3^{p^2\omega-1} \widehat{t}_2 + v_3^{-1} \left( v_4^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_4 \widehat{t}_1^{p^4} \right), \\ \text{and} \quad \widehat{t}_3^{p^3} &= v_3^{p^3\omega-1} \widehat{t}_3 + v_3^{-1} \left( v_4^{p^2\omega} \widehat{t}_2 + v_5^{p\omega} \widehat{t}_1 - v_4 \widehat{t}_2^{p^4} - v_5 \widehat{t}_1^{p^5} \right). \end{aligned}$$

This means that for  $m \geq 2$  we can replace the  $\widehat{K}(2)_*$ -basis of  $\text{Ext}^1$  of (11.1) with

$$\left\{ \widehat{t}_1^{p^2}, \widehat{t}_1^{p^3}, \widehat{t}_1^{p^4}, \widehat{t}_2^{p^4}, \widehat{t}_2^{p^5}, \widehat{t}_2^{p^6}, \widehat{t}_3^{p^6}, \widehat{t}_3^{p^7}, \widehat{t}_3^{p^8} \right\},$$

so its basis over  $\widehat{k}(2)_*/(v_2)$  is

$$\left\{ \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_1^{p^2}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_1^{p^3}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_1^{p^4}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_2^{p^4}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_2^{p^5}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_2^{p^6}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_3^{p^6}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_3^{p^7}, \widehat{v}_3^t \widehat{t}_3^{p^8} : t \geq 0 \right\}.$$

Now define integers  $\widehat{c}(k)$  for  $k \geq 0$  by

$$\widehat{c}_k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 8 \\ (p-1)p^{k-4} + \widehat{c}(k-4) & \text{for } k \geq 9. \end{cases}$$

For  $k > 4$ , write  $k = k_0 + 4k_1$  with  $5 \leq k_0 \leq 8$ . Then the above is equivalent to

$$(11.2) \quad \widehat{c}(k) = (p-1)p^{k_0} \left( \frac{p^{4k_1} - 1}{p^4 - 1} \right).$$

Then Lemmas 4.3 and 6.8 imply that

$$d(\hat{x}_k) \equiv \pm v_2^{\hat{a}(k)} v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{v}_3^{\hat{c}(k)} \begin{cases} \hat{t}_1^{p^{2+k}} & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 2 \\ \hat{t}_2^{p^{1+k}} & \text{for } 3 \leq k \leq 4 \\ \hat{t}_2^{p^6} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \hat{t}_3^{p^6} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \hat{t}_3^{p^7} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\ \hat{t}_3^{p^8} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 4 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

modulo  $(v_2^{1+a(k)})$ . This and the multiplicative property of the right unit imply that

$$(11.3) \quad \delta \left( \frac{\hat{x}_k^s}{v_3^{\hat{a}(k)}} \right) = \pm s v_3^{\hat{b}(k)} \hat{v}_3^{(s-1)p^k + \hat{c}(k)} \begin{cases} \hat{t}_1^{p^{2+k}} & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 2 \\ \hat{t}_2^{p^{1+k}} & \text{for } 3 \leq k \leq 4 \\ \hat{t}_2^{p^6} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\ \hat{t}_3^{p^6} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \hat{t}_3^{p^7} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\ \hat{t}_3^{p^8} & \text{for } k > 4 \text{ and } k \equiv 4 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

By Lemma 2.4 it suffices to show that these elements (with  $k \geq 0$  and  $s > 0$  not divisible by  $p$ ) are linearly independent over  $\hat{k}(1)_*$ . The ones for  $0 \leq k \leq 4$  are clearly independent of those for  $k > 0$ , so it suffices to consider the exponents of  $\hat{v}_3$  above for  $k > 4$ , i.e., to show that the set

$$(11.4) \quad \left\{ \hat{v}_3^{(s-1)p^k + \hat{c}(k)} : k > 4, s > 0, p \nmid s \right\}$$

is linearly independent over  $\hat{k}(2)_*/(v_2)$ . For a fixed value of  $k$ , the exponents appearing in (11.4) are congruent to  $\hat{c}(k)$  modulo  $p^k$  but not congruent (since  $p \nmid s$ ) to  $-p^k + \hat{c}(k)$  modulo  $p^{k+1}$ .

Now (11.2) implies that for  $k > 4$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{c}(k) &\equiv p^k - \frac{(p-1)p^{k_0}}{p^4 - 1} \pmod{(p^{k+1})} \\ \text{so} \quad (s-1)p^k + \hat{c}(k) &\equiv sp^k - \frac{(p-1)p^{k_0}}{p^4 - 1} \pmod{(p^{k+1})}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence our condition is that the exponents associated with  $k$  are congruent to  $-\frac{(p-1)p^{k_0}}{p^4 - 1}$  modulo  $p^k$  but not modulo  $p^{k+1}$ , and these conditions are mutually exclusive for differing  $k$ .  $\square$

*Proof for  $2 \leq m \leq 4$ .* The argument is the same subject to the following changes. The integers  $\hat{c}(k)$  are defined by

$$\hat{c}(k) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 8, \\ (p-1)p^{k-6} + \hat{c}(k-6) & \text{for } k \geq 9. \end{cases}$$

For  $k > 2$ , write  $k = k_0 + 6k_1$  with  $3 \leq k_0 \leq 8$ . Then the above is equivalent to

$$\widehat{c}(k) = (p-1)p^{k_0} \left( \frac{p^{6k_1} - 1}{p^6 - 1} \right).$$

Then (11.3) gets replaced by

$$\delta \left( \frac{\widehat{x}_k^s}{v_3^{\widehat{a}(k)}} \right) = \pm s v_3^{\widehat{b}(k)} \widehat{v}_3^{(s-1)p^k + \widehat{c}(k)} \begin{cases} \widehat{t}_1^{p^{2+k}} & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq 2 \\ \widehat{t}_2^{p^{1+k_0}} & \text{for } 3 \leq k_0 \leq 5 \text{ and} \\ \widehat{t}_3^{p^{k_0}} & \text{for } 6 \leq k_0 \leq 8 \text{ and} \end{cases}$$

(Notice that there is another term for  $m = 3$  and  $6 \leq k \leq 8$ . We can ignore it because it is linear independent with the above coboundary.) We can argue for linear independence as before.

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