

# HOMOTOPY REPRESENTATIONS OF $SO(7)$ AND $Spin(7)$ AT PRIME 2

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ABSTRACT. A homotopy (complex) representation of a compact connected Lie group  $L$  at prime  $p$  is a map from  $BL$  into the  $p$ -completion of the classifying space of the unitary group  $BU(n)_p^\wedge$ . In this paper we give a partial classification of homotopy representations of  $SO(7)$  and  $Spin(7)$  at prime 2. Motivation for considering this problem is twofold: first, one may hope that it would help to understand maps between classifying spaces. Secondly, construction of a homotopy representation of  $Spin(7)$  is a crucial step in the construction of a faithful representation of the 2-compact group  $DI(4)$  [14].

Let  $p$  be a prime and let  $L$  be a compact connected Lie group. A group  $P$  is  $p$ -toral if it is an extension of a finite  $p$ -group by a torus; a  $p$ -toral subgroup  $P \subseteq L$  is  $p$ -stubborn if  $N_L(P)/P$  is finite and contains no non-trivial normal  $p$ -subgroups. Let  $\mathcal{O}_p(L)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ ) be a category of  $L$ -orbits  $L/P$  for  $p$ -toral  $P$  (resp.  $p$ -stubborn  $P$ ) and  $L$ -equivariant maps. By [7], the map

$$(\text{hocolim}_{L/P \in \mathcal{R}_p(L)} (EL \times_L L/P)_p^\wedge)_p^\wedge \longrightarrow BL_p^\wedge$$

is a weak homotopy equivalence. The category  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$  contains a maximal object  $G/N$ , where  $N$  is a  $p$ -normalizer of a maximal torus  $T$ . Let  $N^\infty$  be a  $p$ -discrete approximation of  $N$ , i.e. its dense subgroup such that  $T \cap N^\infty$  be a subgroup of all elements of  $T$  having a  $p$ -power order. By a version of Dwyer-Zabrodsky theorem [8] the map

$$\text{Rep}(N^\infty, U(n)) \ni \varphi \mapsto (B\varphi)_p^\wedge \rightarrow [(EL \times L/N)_p^\wedge, BU(n)_p^\wedge],$$

where  $\text{Rep}(N^\infty, U(n)) := \text{Hom}(N^\infty, U(n))/\text{Inn}(U(n))$ , is an isomorphism. A representation  $\varphi$  of  $N^\infty$  is  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant iff  $(B\varphi)_p^\wedge$  defines a homotopy compatible family of maps in  $\lim_{L/P \in \mathcal{R}_p(L)} [EL \times_L (\cdot), BU(n)_p^\wedge]$ . Obviously if  $(B\varphi)_p^\wedge$  extends to a homotopy representation of  $L$  (i.e. a map  $BL_p^\wedge \rightarrow BU(n)_p^\wedge$ ), then  $\varphi$  is  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant; the question is whether or not an  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant representation extends (after completion) to a homotopy representation of  $L$ . The main result of the present paper is the following

**Theorem.** *Let  $p = 2$ . If  $L = Spin(7)$  or  $L = SO(7)$ , then every  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant representation of  $N^\infty$  extends to a homotopy representation of  $L$ .*

Throughout the whole paper  $G = SO(7)$ ,  $\tilde{G} = Spin(7)$ ,  $\pi : \tilde{G} \rightarrow G$  is an obvious projection and  $u \in \tilde{G}$  is a non-trivial lift of unity in  $G$ . For any subgroup  $H \subseteq G$  let  $\tilde{H} := \pi^{-1}(H) \subseteq \tilde{G}$ .

**Organization of the paper.** Section 1 contains generalization of some elementary facts from representation theory of finite groups onto locally finite groups (in particular onto discrete approximations of  $p$ -toral groups). In Section 2 we describe a general method of construction homotopy representations of compact Lie groups.

Section 3 contains a classification of 2-stubborn subgroups of orthogonal and symmetric groups, and a construction of a full inclusion  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$ . The last result simplifies calculations of higher limits on  $\mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$ . In Section 4 some facts about representations of discrete approximations of 2-stubborn subgroups of  $SO(7)$  and  $Spin(7)$  are provided. Section 5 contains specific computations of higher limits of atomic functors. Finally, the main theorem is proven in Section 6.

## 1. REPRESENTATIONS OF COUNTABLE LOCALLY FINITE GROUPS

A group  $\Gamma$  is countable locally finite if it satisfies the following equivalent conditions:

- $\Gamma$  is countable and every finitely generated subgroup of  $\Gamma$  is finite.
- There is an ascending sequence of finite groups

$$(1.1) \quad \{1\} = \Gamma^{(0)} \subseteq \Gamma^{(1)} \subseteq \Gamma^{(2)} \subseteq \dots \subseteq \Gamma$$

such that  $\bigcup_s \Gamma^{(s)} = \Gamma$ .

By a *complex representation* of a group  $\Gamma$  we mean a homomorphism  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}(V)$ , where  $V$  is a finite dimensional complex vector space. A representation is *unitary* if  $V$  is equipped with a hermitian scalar product which is preserved by  $\varphi(g)$  for each  $G \in \Gamma$ .

Throughout this section  $\Gamma$  denotes any countable locally finite group and  $\Gamma^{(s)}$  is a fixed sequence (1.1). Let  $\mathrm{Rep}(\Gamma) := \bigcup_n \mathrm{Rep}(\Gamma, \mathrm{GL}(\mathbb{C}^n))$  and let  $\mathrm{IR}(\Gamma) \subset \mathrm{Rep}(\Gamma)$  be the set of isomorphism classes of irreducible representations of  $\Gamma$ . The following proposition provides a main reason for similarity of representation theory of locally finite groups with the finite case.

**Proposition 1.2.** *If  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}(V)$  and  $\psi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}(W)$  are representations, then there is  $s < \infty$  such that*

$$\mathrm{Hom}_\Gamma(V, W) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}(V, W).$$

*Proof.* A sequence

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(0)}}(V, W) \supseteq \mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(1)}}(V, W) \supseteq \mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(2)}}(V, W) \supseteq \dots \supseteq \mathrm{Hom}_\Gamma(V, W)$$

eventually stabilizes since the dimensions of these spaces do. Moreover, we have  $\mathrm{Hom}_\Gamma(V, W) = \bigcap_{r=0}^\infty \mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(r)}}(V, W)$ . Thus  $\mathrm{Hom}_\Gamma(V, W) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}(V, W)$  for large enough  $s$ .  $\square$

Here follow immediate corollaries of Proposition 1.2:

**Proposition 1.3.** *Fix representations  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}(V)$  and  $\psi : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}(W)$ .*

- (1) *If  $\varphi$  is irreducible, then for some  $s$   $\mathrm{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \varphi$  is irreducible.*
- (2) *If for all  $s$   $\mathrm{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \varphi$  and  $\mathrm{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \psi$  are isomorphic, then  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are isomorphic.*
- (3) *(Schur lemma) If  $\varphi$  is irreducible, then  $\mathrm{End}_\Gamma(V)$  contains only homoteties. If additionally  $\psi$  is irreducible and non-isomorphic to  $\varphi$ , then  $\mathrm{Hom}_\Gamma(V, W) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Fix  $s$  such that  $\mathrm{End}_\Gamma(V) = \mathrm{End}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}(V)$  and  $\mathrm{Hom}_\Gamma(V, W) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}(V, W)$

- (1) If  $\mathrm{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \varphi$  is reducible, then there is a projection  $f \in \mathrm{End}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}(V)$  onto one of its irreducible summands. Since  $f \in \mathrm{End}_\Gamma(V)$  it denies irreducibility of  $\varphi$ .

- (2) If  $\text{Hom}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}(V, W)$  contains an isomorphism, then  $\text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(V, W)$  also does.  
 (3) By (1) and (2) it follows from the Schur lemma for finite groups.

□

**Proposition 1.4.** [12] *Every representation of  $\Gamma$  is semisimple, and its decomposition into irreducible summands is unique up to permutation of summands.*

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{GL}(V)$  be any representation and fix  $s$  such that  $\text{End}_{\Gamma^{(s)}} V = \text{End}_{\Gamma}(V)$ . Let  $\bigoplus_i W_i$  be a decomposition of  $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^{\Gamma} \varphi$  onto irreducible summands. All  $W_i$ 's are irreducible  $\Gamma$ -subrepresentations (since any  $\Gamma^{(s)}$ -projection  $V \rightarrow W_i$  is also  $\Gamma$ -homomorphism). Then  $\bigoplus_i W_i$  is a decomposition of  $\varphi$ .

If  $\bigoplus_i W_i$  and  $\bigoplus_j X_j$  are decompositions of  $\varphi$ , then there is a  $\Gamma^{(s)}$ -isomorphism

$$f : V = \bigoplus_i W_i \longrightarrow \bigoplus_j X_j = V$$

permuting irreducible  $\Gamma^{(s)}$ -summands. But  $f$  is also  $\Gamma$ -isomorphism. □

A decomposition into irreducible summands can be obtained functorially. Pick a representative  $\sigma : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{GL}(W_{\sigma})$  of every element of  $\text{IR}(\Gamma)$ .

**Proposition 1.5.** *For any representation  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{GL}(V)$  the evaluation*

$$\bigoplus_{\sigma \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)} W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V) \xrightarrow{ev} V$$

*is an isomorphism. Furthermore, the homomorphism*

$$\begin{aligned} \bigoplus_{\sigma \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)} \text{End}(\text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)) &\ni \bigoplus_{\sigma} f_{\sigma} \mapsto \\ &\mapsto ev \circ \left( \bigoplus_{\sigma} \text{Id}_{W_{\sigma}} \otimes f_{\sigma} \right) \circ (ev)^{-1} \in \text{End}_{\Gamma}(V) \end{aligned}$$

*is an isomorphism.*

*Proof.* By Proposition 1.4 we can assume that  $V = \bigoplus_{\sigma \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)} W_{\sigma}^{\oplus l_{\sigma}}$ . By the Schur lemma  $\text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, W_{\sigma}^{\oplus l_{\sigma}}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)$ . Then the evaluation is a composition

$$\bigoplus_{\sigma} W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V) \cong \bigoplus_{\sigma} W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, W_{\sigma}^{\oplus l_{\sigma}}) \cong \bigoplus_{\sigma} W_{\sigma} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{l_{\sigma}} = V.$$

Again by the Schur lemma

$$\text{End}_{\Gamma}(V) \simeq \bigoplus_{\sigma \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)} \text{End}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)).$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{End}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)) \\ &= \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V), W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)) \\ &= \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V), \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, W_{\sigma} \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V))) \\ &= \text{Hom}(\text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V), \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, W_{\sigma}) \otimes \text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)) \\ &= \text{End}(\text{Hom}_{\Gamma}(W_{\sigma}, V)). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Let  $Ch(\Gamma) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{\Gamma}$  be a vector subspace spanned by all characters of representations (it does not contain all class functions).

**Proposition 1.6.** *If  $\chi, \chi' \in Ch(\Gamma)$ , then the sequence  $(\chi|\chi')_s := (\chi|_{\Gamma^{(s)}}|\chi'|_{\Gamma^{(s)}})$  stabilizes. In particular,*

$$(\chi|\chi') := \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} (\chi|\chi')_s$$

*is a hermitian product on  $Ch(\Gamma)$  and characters of irreducible representations form an orthonormal basis of  $Ch(\Gamma)$ .*

*Proof.* By Proposition 1.4 it is enough to prove that the sequence  $(\chi|\chi')_s$  stabilizes for  $\chi = \chi_\varphi$ ,  $\chi' = \chi_\psi$ , where  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)$ . By 1.3.(1) for large enough  $s$  both  $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \varphi$  and  $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \psi$  are irreducible. Then if  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are isomorphic, then  $(\chi_\varphi|\chi_\psi)_s = 1$ ; if not  $(\chi_\varphi|\chi_\psi)_s = 0$  (cf. 1.3.(2)).  $\square$

From Propositions 1.4 and 1.6 we obtain

**Corollary 1.7.** *Two representations of a given locally finite group are isomorphic iff their characters are equal.*

The next proposition states that representations of products behave similarly to the finite case:

**Proposition 1.8.** *Let  $\Gamma$  and  $\Delta$  be countable locally finite groups. The map*

$$\bar{\otimes} : \text{IR}(\Gamma) \times \text{IR}(\Delta) \ni (\varphi, \psi) \mapsto \text{res}_{\Gamma \times \Delta}^\Gamma \varphi \otimes \text{res}_{\Gamma \times \Delta}^\Delta \psi \in \text{IR}(\Gamma \times \Delta)$$

*is a bijection.*

*Proof.* If  $\varphi \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)$ ,  $\psi \in \text{IR}(\Delta)$  then for some  $s$  both representations  $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \varphi$  and  $\text{res}_{\Delta^{(s)}}^\Delta \psi$  are irreducible. Hence  $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)} \times \Delta^{(s)}}^{\Gamma \times \Delta} \varphi \bar{\otimes} \psi$  is irreducible and so is  $\varphi \bar{\otimes} \psi$ . Then the map  $\bar{\otimes}$  is well-defined.

Now let  $\omega \in \text{IR}(\Gamma \times \Delta)$ . There is  $r$  such that for  $s \geq r$   $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)}}^\Gamma \omega$  is irreducible and then it is isomorphic to a tensor product of irreducible representations of factors. Then both  $\text{res}_{\Gamma^{(s)} \times \{1\}}^{\Gamma \times \Delta} \omega$  and  $\text{res}_{\{1\} \times \Delta^{(s)}}^{\Gamma \times \Delta} \omega$  are sums of pairwise isomorphic irreducible representations. As a consequence of Proposition 1.3.(2) we have

$$\text{res}_{\Gamma \times \{1\}}^{\Gamma \times \Delta} \omega \simeq \varphi^{\oplus \dim \psi}, \quad \text{res}_{\{1\} \times \Delta}^{\Gamma \times \Delta} \omega \simeq \psi^{\oplus \dim \varphi}$$

for some  $\varphi \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)$ ,  $\psi \in \text{IR}(\Delta)$ . For each  $s \geq r$  the characters of  $\omega$  and  $\varphi \bar{\otimes} \psi$  are equal on  $\Gamma^{(s)} \times \Delta^{(s)}$  and hence they are equal on  $\Gamma \times \Delta$ . Now Corollary 1.7 implies that  $\omega$  is isomorphic to  $\varphi \bar{\otimes} \psi$ .  $\square$

Up to this point we have considered linear representations when Dwyer-Zabrosky theorem requires unitary ones. The following proposition states that any complex representation admits a unique unitary structure.

**Proposition 1.9.** *Let  $V$  be a complex linear space with a hermitian scalar product. Then the map  $\text{Rep}(\Gamma, U(V)) \rightarrow \text{Rep}(\Gamma, \text{GL}(V))$  is a bijection.*

*Proof.* Consider the following (obviously commutative) diagram (lim stands for an inverse limit)

$$(1.10) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Rep}(\Gamma, U(V)) & \longrightarrow & \text{Rep}(\Gamma, \text{GL}(V)) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \text{Rep}(\Gamma^{(s)}, U(V)) & \longrightarrow & \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \text{Rep}(\Gamma^{(s)}, \text{GL}(V)) \end{array}$$

where the vertical maps assign to any representation the collection of its restrictions to subgroups  $\Gamma^{(s)}$ . The lower horizontal arrow is bijective since groups  $\Gamma^{(s)}$  are finite. For  $L = U(V)$  or  $L = GL(V)$  let  $\{\varphi_s\} \in \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \text{Hom}(\Gamma^{(s)}, L)$ . Define homomorphisms  $\psi_s \in \text{Hom}(\Gamma^{(s)}, L)$  by induction. For  $s > 0$  let  $\psi_s(g) = h^{-1}\varphi_s(g)h$  where  $h$  is any element such that  $\psi_{s-1} = h^{-1}\varphi_s|_{\Gamma^{(s-1)}}h$ . Then  $\psi = \bigcup_s \psi_s$  is a well-defined homomorphism  $\Gamma \rightarrow L$  such that  $\psi|_{\Gamma^{(s)}}$  is conjugate to  $\varphi_s$ . This implies the surjectivity of both vertical maps. Let  $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Hom}(\Gamma, U(V))$  be non-conjugate homomorphisms and put  $G_s = \{g \in U(V) : g^{-1}\varphi g = \psi\}$ .  $G_s$  is a non-increasing sequence of closed subsets of  $U(V)$ . Since  $\bigcap_r G_r = \emptyset$  and  $U(V)$  is compact, then there is  $s$  such that  $G_s = \emptyset$ . Then  $\varphi|_{\Gamma^{(s)}}$  is not conjugate to  $\psi|_{\Gamma^{(s)}}$  and the map  $\text{Rep}(\Gamma, U(V)) \rightarrow \lim_s \text{Rep}(\Gamma^{(s)}, U(V))$  is injective. Injectivity of the right vertical arrow follows from Proposition 1.7. Now the conclusion follows.  $\square$

We conclude with a corollary from Propositions 1.5 and 1.9:

**Corollary 1.11.** For any unitary representation  $\varphi : \Gamma \rightarrow U(V)$  we have

$$C_{U(V)}(\varphi(\Gamma)) = U_\Gamma(V) \cong \prod_{\sigma \in \text{IR}(\Gamma)} U(\text{Hom}_\Gamma(W_\sigma, V)).$$

## 2. HOMOTOPY REPRESENTATIONS OF COMPACT LIE GROUPS

The tool which appears the most appropriate for calculating the set of homotopy representations of  $L$  is a subgroup homotopy decomposition due to Jackowski, McClure and Oliver [7]. Recall that holds the following

**Theorem 2.1** ([7, 1.4]). *The map*

$$(\text{hocolim}_{L/P \in \mathcal{R}_p(L)} EL \times_L L/P)_p^\wedge \simeq BL_p^\wedge$$

*induced by projection is a weak homotopy equivalence.*

Notice that  $EL \times_L L/P$  is homotopy equivalent to  $BP$ . The next theorem describes the mapping space  $\text{map}(BP, BU(n)_p^\wedge)$  if  $P$  is  $p$ -toral.

**Theorem 2.2** ([8, Thm. 1.1]). *Let  $P$  be a  $p$ -toral group and let  $H$  be a compact connected Lie group. Then:*

(1) *The maps*

$$\text{Rep}(P^\infty, H) \xrightarrow{B} [BP^\infty, BH_p^\wedge] \longleftarrow [BP, BH_p^\wedge]$$

*are bijections.*

(2) *For any  $\varphi : P^\infty \rightarrow H$  the pairing  $BC_H(\varphi(P^\infty)) \times BP^\infty \rightarrow BH$  induces a homotopy equivalence*

$$BC_H(\varphi(P^\infty))_p^\wedge \longrightarrow \text{map}(BP, BH_p^\wedge)_{B\varphi}.$$

Hence  $\lim_{L/P} [EL \times_L (\cdot), BU(n)_p^\wedge] \simeq \lim_{L/P} \text{Rep}(P^\infty, U(n))$ . Let  $N \subseteq L$  be a  $p$ -normalizer of a maximal torus and let  $\varphi : N^\infty \rightarrow U(V)$  be an  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant representation. For  $i > 0$  define contravariant functors  $\Pi_i$  from  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$  to the category of groups (abelian if  $i > 1$ )

$$\Pi_i^\varphi(L/P) := \pi_i \text{map}((EL/P)_p^\wedge, BU(n)_p^\wedge)_{B\varphi_p|_{(EL/P)_p^\wedge}}.$$

By the theorem of Wojtkowiak [13], the obstructions to an existence of an extension of  $(B\varphi)_p^\wedge$  to  $(BL)_p^\wedge$  lie in groups  $H^{i+1}(\mathcal{R}_p(L); \Pi_i)$  for  $i \geq 1$ . Luckily functors  $\Pi_i$

can be interpreted in terms of irreducible representations of restrictions  $\text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi$  for  $p$ -stubborn  $P$ .

For any  $\omega \in \text{Rep}(\Gamma, U(n))$  let  $\text{IR}(\Gamma, \omega) \subseteq \text{IR}(\Gamma)$  be a subset of isomorphism classes of irreducible subrepresentations of  $\omega$ . Furthermore, let  $R(\Gamma) := \mathbb{Z}[\text{IR}(\Gamma)]$  and  $R(\Gamma, \omega) := \mathbb{Z}[\text{IR}(\Gamma, \omega)]$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** *For each  $L/P \in \mathcal{R}_p(L)$  we have  $\Pi_1^\varphi(L/P) = \Pi_3^\varphi(L/P) = 0$ . Furthermore, there is a functorial isomorphism*

$$\Pi_2^\varphi(L/P) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge \otimes R(P^\infty, \text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi).$$

*Proof.* Let  $W$  be a unitary space with a  $P^\infty$ -action which represents some element of  $\text{Rep}(P^\infty, \text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi)$ . Choose a monomorphism  $j : W \rightarrow V^{\oplus s}$  and put

$$(2.4) \quad J_{P,\varphi} : R(P^\infty, \text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi) \ni [\psi] \mapsto j_*(l_W) \in \pi_1(U_{P^\infty}(V^{\oplus s})),$$

where  $l_W \in \pi_1(U(W))$  is represented by a loop  $t \mapsto e^{2\pi it} \cdot I$ . Maps  $J_{P,\varphi}$  does not depend on the choice of  $j$  since all inclusions  $W \rightarrow V^{\oplus s}$  determine conjugate homomorphisms  $U_P(W) \rightarrow U_P(V^{\oplus s})$ . It also does not depend on the choice of  $s$  since for  $s < s'$  the map  $U_P(V^{\oplus s}) \rightarrow U_P(V^{\oplus s'})$  induces an isomorphism on  $\pi_1$ .

Let  $a : L/Q \rightarrow L/P$  be a morphism in  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ . Commutativity of a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R(P^\infty, \text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi) & \xrightarrow{J_{P,\varphi}} & \pi_1(U_{P^\infty}(V)) \\ a^* \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ R(Q, \text{res}_Q^{N^\infty} \varphi) & \xrightarrow{J_{Q,\varphi}} & \pi_1(U_{Q^\infty}(V)) \end{array}$$

implies that  $J_\varphi$  is a natural transformation. Moreover, both groups  $R(P^\infty, \text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi)$  and  $\pi_1(U_{P^\infty}(V))$  are free and abelian, the generator set of them both is  $\text{IR}(P^\infty, \text{res}_{P^\infty}^{N^\infty} \varphi)$  and the generators are mapped to the corresponding generators. Therefore  $J_\varphi : R(-, \varphi) \rightarrow \pi_1 \text{Aut}_{(-)}(V)$  is a natural equivalence. Thus the composition

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Z}_p^\wedge \otimes R(-, \varphi) &\xrightarrow{\text{Id} \otimes J_\varphi} \mathbb{Z}_p^\wedge \otimes \pi_1(U_{(-)}(V)) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p^\wedge \otimes \pi_1(C_{U(V)}(\varphi(-))) \\ &\xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{Z}_p^\wedge \otimes \pi_2(BC_{U(V)}(\varphi(-))) \longrightarrow \pi_2(BC_{U(V)}(\varphi(-)))_p^\wedge \\ &\xrightarrow[\text{(2.2)}]{\cong} \pi_2(\text{map}(EL/(-), BU(V)_p^\wedge)_{B\varphi|_P})_p^\wedge = \Pi_2^\varphi(L/P). \end{aligned}$$

is a required natural equivalence. Furthermore, by 1.11  $U_{P^\infty}(V) = C_{U(n)}(\varphi(P^\infty))$  is a product of unitary groups and hence  $\pi_0(\text{Aut}_{P^\infty}(V)) = \pi_2(\text{Aut}_{P^\infty}(V)) = 0$ .  $\square$

For any  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant representation  $\varphi$  of  $N^\infty$  denote  $\Xi(\varphi) := \mathbb{Z}_p^\wedge \otimes R(-, \varphi)$ . The following is an immediate consequence of 2.3:

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $\varphi : N^\infty \rightarrow U(V)$  be an  $\mathcal{R}_p(L)$ -invariant representation. If  $H^3(\mathcal{R}_p(L); \Xi(\varphi)) = 0$  and  $H^i(\mathcal{R}_p(L); \mathbf{M}) = 0$  for  $i > 4$  and any contravariant functor  $\mathbf{M} : \mathcal{R}_p(L) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^\wedge\text{-Mod}$ , then  $B\varphi_2^\wedge$  extends to a map  $BL \rightarrow BU(m)_p^\wedge$ .  $\square$*

### 3. STUBBORN SUBGROUPS OF SYMMETRIC AND ORTHOGONAL GROUPS

In this section we recall results of Oliver [9], who gave the classification of 2-stubborn subgroups of orthogonal groups and the description of the categories

$\mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$ . Furthermore, we recall the classification of 2-stubborn groups of symmetric groups (given by Alperin and Fong [1]) and describe the categories  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n)$ . The section is concluded with a construction of a full inclusion  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$  which makes easier calculations of higher limits on  $\mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$ .

**2-Stubborn subgroups of orthogonal groups.** Each 2-stubborn subgroup of an orthogonal group is built up out of some number of "pieces" by taking products and wreath products. (Recall that the wreath product  $G \wr H$  is the semi-direct product  $G^H \rtimes H$ , where  $H$  acts on  $G^H$  by shifting coordinates). Let  $I_n \in \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$  denote the identity matrix. If  $M \in \mathrm{GL}_m(\mathbb{R})$  and  $N \in \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$ , then  $M \otimes N \in \mathrm{GL}_{nm}(\mathbb{R})$  is the matrix with entries

$$(M \otimes N)_{am+b-m, cm+d-m} = M_{b,d} N_{a,c}.$$

for  $a, c = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $b, d = 1, \dots, m$ . Let

$$(3.1) \quad A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and for  $i < n$  define the matrices  $A_i^n, B_i^n \in O(2^n)$  by

$$(3.2) \quad A_i^n := I_{2^i} \otimes A \otimes I_{2^{n-i-1}}, \quad B_i^n := I_{2^i} \otimes B \otimes I_{2^{n-i-1}}.$$

Let

$$(3.3) \quad \Gamma_{2^n} := \langle -I_{2^n}, A_0^n, \dots, A_{n-1}^n, B_0^n, \dots, B_{n-1}^n \rangle \subseteq O(2^n)$$

$$(3.4) \quad \bar{\Gamma}_{2^n} := \langle \{X \otimes I_{2^{n-1}}\}_{X \in SO(2)}, A_0^n, \dots, A_{n-1}^n, B_0^n, \dots, B_{n-1}^n \rangle \subseteq O(2^n)$$

The group  $\Gamma_{2^n}$  is an extra-special group of order  $2^{2n+1}$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}_{2^n}$  is a 2-toral group with 1-dimensional torus. Note that  $\Gamma_1 \cong \{\pm 1\} = O(1)$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}_2 \cong O(2)$ .

**Definition 3.5.** ([9, Def. 2]) Let  $\mathcal{T}_\Gamma(k) \subseteq \mathcal{T}_{irr}(k) \subseteq \mathcal{T}_{prod}(k)$  be the sets of 2-toral subgroups of  $O(k)$  defined as follows:

- $\mathcal{T}_\Gamma(1) = \{\Gamma_1 = O(1)\}$ ,
- $\mathcal{T}_\Gamma(2) = \{\bar{\Gamma}_2 = O(2)\}$ ,
- $\mathcal{T}_\Gamma(2^n) = \{\Gamma_{2^n}, \bar{\Gamma}_{2^n}\}$  for  $n > 1$ ,
- $\mathcal{T}_\Gamma(k) = \emptyset$  for  $k \neq 2^n$ ,
- $\mathcal{T}_{irr}(2^n)$  is the set of those wreath products in  $O(2^n)$  of the form

$$\Gamma \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s},$$

where  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{T}_\Gamma(2^l)$ ,  $n = l + t_1 + \dots + t_s$  and  $t_1 > 1$  if  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1$ ,

- $\mathcal{T}_{prod}(k)$  is the set of all products in  $O(k)$  of the form

$$P = P_1 \times \dots \times P_s \subseteq O(k_1) \times O(k_2) \times \dots \times O(k_s) \subseteq O(k),$$

where  $P_i \in \mathcal{T}_{irr}(k_i)$  and  $k = k_1 + \dots + k_s$ .

*Remark.* If  $\Gamma \subseteq O(2^l)$ , then the embedding  $\Gamma \wr C_2^t \subseteq O(2^{l+t})$  is chosen as follows:

$$\Gamma \wr C_2^t \cong \langle \Gamma^{2^t}, B_1^{l+t}, B_{l+1}^{l+t}, \dots, B_{l+t-1}^{l+t} \rangle \subseteq O(2^{l+t}).$$

By [9, Theorem 8] each 2-stubborn subgroup of  $O(k)$  is conjugate to a subgroup in  $\mathcal{T}_{prod}(O(k))$ . Possibly not all elements  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{T}_{prod}(O(k))$  are 2-stubborn — it depends on the Weyl group of  $\Gamma$ . The following proposition follows immediately from [9, Theorem 6]:

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $W_L(P) := N_L(P)/P$ . Then*

- $W_{O(2^n)}(\Gamma_{2^n}) \simeq O^+(X_n)$ ,
- $W_{O(2^n)}(\bar{\Gamma}_{2^n}) \simeq Sp(V_n)$ ,
- $W_{O(2^n)}(\Gamma \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s}) \simeq W_{O(2^m)}(\Gamma) \times GL_{t_1}(\mathbb{F}_2) \times \dots \times GL_{t_s}(\mathbb{F}_2)$ ,  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{T}(2, O(2^m))$ .

The following theorem determines which elements of  $\mathcal{T}_{prod}(k)$  are in fact 2-stubborn subgroups of  $O(k)$ :

**Theorem 3.7.** ([9, Theorem 6]) *Let  $P \in O(k)$  be a 2-stubborn subgroup. Then  $P$  is conjugate to an element of  $\mathcal{T}_{prod}(k)$ . If  $P \in \mathcal{T}_{prod}(k)$  then  $P$  is 2-stubborn if and only if when written as a product*

$$P = P_1 \times \dots \times P_s, \quad (P_i \in \mathcal{T}_{irr}(k_i))$$

*there is no factor  $P_i$  with  $W_{O(k_i)}(P_i) = 1$  which occurs with multiplicity exactly 2 or 4.*

**Theorem 3.8.** ([9, Proposition 9]) *Let  $P, P' \in \mathcal{T}_{prod}(k)$ . If  $P'$  is conjugate to a subgroup of  $P$ , then  $x^{-1}P'x \subseteq P$  for some permutation matrix  $x$  which permutes irreducible factors of  $P'$ . If  $P' \subseteq P$  then the inclusion is a composite of products of the following types:*

- $O(1) \times O(1) \subseteq O(2)$ ,
- $O(1) \wr C_2^{2t_1} \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \subseteq O(2) \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s}$ ,
- $(\Gamma \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s})^{t_{s+1}} \subseteq \Gamma \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \wr C_2^{t_{s+1}}$ ,
- $\Gamma_{2^k} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \subseteq \bar{\Gamma}_{2^k} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s}$ ,
- $\Gamma \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_i} \wr C_2^{t_{i+1}} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \subseteq \Gamma \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_i+t_{i+1}} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s}$ ,
- $\Gamma_{2^{k+t_1}} \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \subseteq \bar{\Gamma}_{2^k} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s}$ ,
- $\bar{\Gamma}_{2^{k+t_1}} \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \subseteq \bar{\Gamma}_{2^k} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s}$ ,

where  $\Gamma$  stands for either  $\Gamma_{2^k}$  or  $\bar{\Gamma}_{2^k}$ .

**Corollary 3.9.** Each morphism in  $\mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$  is a composition of automorphisms and inclusions enlisted in 3.8.

**2-Stubborn subgroups of symmetric groups.** The following classification of 2-stubborn subgroups of symmetric groups is due to Alperin and Fong [1] (a subgroup of a finite group is 2-stubborn iff it is 2-radical).

Note that if  $G \subseteq \Sigma_m$ ,  $H \subseteq \Sigma_n$ , then the product  $G \times H$  is a subgroup of  $\Sigma_{m+n}$  and the wreath product  $G \wr H$  is a subgroup of  $\Sigma_{mn}$ .

**Definition 3.10.** For any sequence  $t_1, \dots, t_s$  of positive integers let

$$B(t_1, \dots, t_s) := 1 \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_s} \subseteq \Sigma_{2^t},$$

where  $t = t_1 + \dots + t_s$  (we treat 1 as a subgroup of  $\Sigma_1$ ). The groups  $B(t_1, \dots, t_s)$  will be called *basic* subgroups of  $\Sigma_{2^t}$ . The set of all basic subgroups of  $\Sigma_{2^t}$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{B}_{irr}(2^t)$ .

**Definition 3.11.** Let  $\mathcal{B}_{prod}(n)$  denotes the family of all products of basic subgroups in  $\Sigma_n$ , i.e.

$$\mathcal{B}_{prod}(n) = \{P_1 \times \dots \times P_r : P_i \in \mathcal{B}_{irr}(2^{t_i}), n = 2^{t_1} + \dots + 2^{t_r}\}.$$

Here follow two propositions which are consequences of [1, (2B)]:

**Proposition 3.12.** *If  $t = t_1 + \dots + t_s$ , then*

$$W_{\Sigma_{2^t}}(B(t_1, \dots, t_s)) \simeq GL_{t_1}(\mathbb{F}_2) \times \dots \times GL_{t_s}(\mathbb{F}_2).$$



**Proposition 3.13.** *Let  $P_i \subseteq \Sigma_{2^{t_i}}$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, r$ , be a collection of pairwise non-isomorphic basic subgroups, and let  $k = \sum_{i=1}^r 2^{t_i} l_i$ . Then*

$$W_{\Sigma_k} \left( \prod_{i=1}^r P_i^{l_i} \right) = \prod_{i=1}^r W_{\Sigma_{2^{t_i}}}(P_i) \wr \Sigma_{l_i}.$$

**Theorem 3.14.** *Each 2-stubborn subgroup  $G \subseteq \Sigma_k$  is, up to conjugacy, a product of basic subgroups (i.e.  $G \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$ ). A group  $P \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$  is stubborn if and only if written as a product of basic subgroups  $P = P_1 \times \dots \times P_r$  there is no factor isomorphic to  $B(1, \dots, 1)$  which occurs with multiplicity exactly 2 or 4.*

*Proof.* The first statement is a consequence of [1, (2A)]. Since  $GL_n(\mathbb{F}_2)$  has no non-trivial normal 2-subgroups and  $\Sigma_n$  has a non-trivial normal 2-subgroup if and only if  $n = 2$  or  $n = 4$ , then the second statement follows immediately from Propositions 3.12 and 3.13.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.15.** *If groups  $P, Q \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$  are conjugate, then there exists a conjugacy between them which permutes its basic factors.*

*Proof.* Since each basic subgroup of a symmetric group acts transitively on the set of letters, basic factors of  $P$  (and, similarly,  $Q$ ) are in bijection with the set of  $P$ -orbits ( $Q$ -orbits). The conjugacy between  $P$  and  $Q$  permutes the orbits and therefore it also permutes its basic factors.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.16.** *Fix collections of subgroups  $P_i \subseteq \Sigma_{k_i}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, r$  and  $H_j \subseteq \Sigma_{l_j}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, s$ . Assume that for each  $i$  the group  $G_i$  acts transitively on the set of letters, and that  $n := k_1 + \dots + k_r = l_1 + \dots + l_s$ . If*

$$Q := Q_1 \times \dots \times Q_s \subseteq P := P_1 \times \dots \times P_r \subseteq \Sigma_n,$$

then  $Q = (Q \cap P_1) \times \dots \times (Q \cap P_r)$ .

*Proof.* For each  $i = 1, \dots, r$  let  $O_i^P$  be an orbit of  $P_i \subseteq P$ . Note that  $\{1, \dots, k\} = \bigcup_{i=1}^r O_i^P$  is a decomposition onto  $G$ -orbits. Similarly define  $Q$ -sets  $O_j^Q$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, s$ . Since  $Q \subseteq P$ , then for each  $j$  there exists  $i$  such that  $O_j^Q \subseteq O_i^P$ . Hence  $Q_j \subseteq P \cap \Sigma_{O_i^P} = P_i$  and the conclusion follows.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.17.** *For any subgroup  $P \subseteq \Sigma_k$  let  $\delta(P) \subseteq P$  denotes the subgroup generated by all elements  $g \in P$  which have a fixed point. The following holds:*

- if  $P \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$  is a non-trivial product of basic subgroups, then  $\delta(P) = P$ .
- $\delta(B(t_1, \dots, t_r)) = B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}}$ ,

*Proof.* The product  $Q \times Q'$  is generated by  $Q \times \{1\} \cup \{1\} \times Q'$ . It implies that the first statement holds, and that  $B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}} \subseteq \delta(B(t_1, \dots, t_r))$ . On the other hand, for  $C_2^{t_r} \subseteq \Sigma_{2^{t_r}}$  we have  $\delta(C_2^{t_r}) = \{1\}$ . Then each element  $g \in B(t_1, \dots, t_r) \setminus B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}}$  acts freely on the set  $\{1, \dots, 2^{t_r}\}$  (where  $t = t_1 + \dots + t_r$ ). As a consequence we obtain the second statement.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.18.** *Let  $P, Q \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$ . Assume that  $Q \subseteq P$ . Then the inclusion  $Q \subseteq P$  is a composite of products of inclusions of the following types:*

- (a)  $B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}} \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1}, t_r)$ ,
- (b)  $B(t_1, \dots, t_j + t_{j+1}, \dots, t_r) \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_j, t_{j+1}, \dots, t_r)$ .

*Proof.* If  $Q$  is reducible, then by Proposition 3.16 the inclusion is the product of inclusions  $(Q \cap P_i) \subseteq P_i$ , where  $P_i$ 's are irreducible, so assume that  $P = B(t_1, \dots, t_r)$ . If  $Q$  is reducible, then by Proposition 3.17 we obtain

$$Q = \delta(Q) \subseteq \delta(P) = B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}} \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1}, t_r) = P.$$

In this case the inclusion is the composition of an inclusion of type (a) with  $Q \subseteq \delta(P)$ . Finally, if  $Q$  is irreducible then  $Q = B(t'_1, \dots, t'_s)$ . We have

$$\delta(Q) = B(t'_1, \dots, t'_{s-1})^{2^{t'_s}} \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}} = \delta(P).$$

Since  $Q$ -orbits are contained in  $P$ -orbits, then  $t'_s \geq t_r$ . If  $t'_s = t_r$ , then we are reduced to the case of smaller inclusion of irreducible subgroups. If  $t'_s > t_r$ , then the inclusion

$$B(t'_1, \dots, t'_{s-1})^{2^{t'_s - t_r}} \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})$$

factors through  $B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-2})^{2^{t_{r-1}}}$ . Hence  $t'_s - t_r \geq t_{r-1}$  and then  $t'_s \geq t_{r-1} + t_r$ . Finally, we obtain the factorization

$$Q \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-2}, t_{r-1} + t_r) \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-2}, t_{r-1}, t_r) = G. \quad \square$$

As a consequence we obtain

**Corollary 3.19.** Each morphism in  $\mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$  is a composition of automorphisms and inclusions enlisted in 3.18.

**A full inclusion**  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$ .

**Definition 3.20.** For any  $P \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(n)$  let  $\bar{P} \in \mathcal{T}_{prod}(n)$  be given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{P} &= \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} \quad \text{for } P = B(t_1, \dots, t_r), t_1 > 1 \\ \bar{P} &= O(2) \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} \quad \text{for } P = B(1, t_2, \dots, t_r) \\ \bar{P} &= \bar{P}_1 \times \dots \times \bar{P}_r \quad \text{for } P_i \in \mathcal{B}_{irr}(k_i) \end{aligned}$$

*Remark.* For each  $P \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(n)$  holds

$$(3.21) \quad \bar{P} \cap \{\pm 1\} \wr \Sigma_k = \{\pm 1\} \wr P.$$

**Theorem 3.22.** *The formulae*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n) \ni \Sigma_n/P &\mapsto O(n)/\bar{P} \in \mathcal{R}_2(O(n)) \\ \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n)}(Q, P) \ni gP &\mapsto g\bar{P} \in \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{R}_2(O(k))}(\bar{Q}, \bar{P}) \end{aligned}$$

define the functor  $I : \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_n) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2(O(n))$  which is an inclusion onto the full subcategory.

*Proof.* The functor  $I$  is well-defined.

It is sufficient to check that for each generating morphism  $gP : Q \rightarrow P$  holds  $g^{-1}\bar{Q}g \subseteq \bar{P}$ . It is clear for automorphisms (cf. Propositions 3.12 and 3.13), so assume that  $g = 1$  and  $Q \rightarrow P$  is a product of the inclusions enlisted in Theorem 3.18. If the inclusion  $Q \subseteq P$  is a non-trivial product of inclusions  $Q_1 \subseteq P_1$  and  $Q_2 \subseteq P_2$ , then  $\bar{Q} \subseteq \bar{P}$  if and only if  $\bar{Q}_1 \subseteq \bar{P}_1$  and  $\bar{Q}_2 \subseteq \bar{P}_2$ . Hence we are reduced to the case when the inclusion is of type (a) or type (b) (cf. 3.18). If

$$Q = B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1})^{2^{t_r}} \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_{r-1}, t_r) = P,$$

then for  $t_1 > 1$  we obtain

$$\bar{Q} = (\{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_{r-1}})^{2^{t_r}} \subseteq \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^{t_1} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} = \bar{P}$$

and for  $t_1 = 1$

$$\bar{Q} = (O(2) \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_{r-1}})^{2^{t_r}} \subseteq O(2) \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} = \bar{P}.$$

If

$$Q = B(t_1, \dots, t_j + t_{j+1}, \dots, t_r) \subseteq B(t_1, \dots, t_j, t_{j+1}, \dots, t_r) = P,$$

then for  $j > 1$  we obtain the inclusion

$$\bar{Q} = K \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_j + t_{j+1}} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} \subseteq K \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_j} \wr C_2^{t_{j+1}} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} = \bar{P},$$

where  $K = O(2)$  if  $t_1 = 1$  and  $K = \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^{t_1}$  otherwise. Similarly if  $j = 1$  and  $t_1 > 1$ , then the inclusion  $\bar{Q} \subseteq \bar{P}$  is straightforward. The only non-trivial case appears when  $j = t_1 = 1$ . Then

$$\bar{Q} = \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^{1+t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} \subseteq O(2) \wr C_2^{t_2} \wr \dots \wr C_2^{t_r} = \bar{P},$$

since  $\{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^{1+t_2} \subseteq \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2 \wr C_2^{t_2} \subseteq O(2) \wr C_2^{t_2}$ . Hence  $I$  is well-defined.

*The functor  $I$  is faithful.*

By combining Propositions 3.6, 3.12 and 3.13 we see that for each subgroup  $P \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$  the homomorphism  $I : \text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_k)}(P) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}_2(O(k))}(\bar{P})$  is actually an isomorphism. Now fix  $Q \neq P \in \mathcal{B}_{prod}(k)$  and choose morphisms  $g_1 P, g_2 P : Q \rightarrow P$  in the category of  $\Sigma_k$ -orbits. Let us consider the compositions

$$Q \xrightarrow{g_i P} g_i^{-1} Q g_i \xrightarrow{1 \cdot P} P$$

for  $i = 1, 2$ . By Proposition 3.15  $g_1^{-1} Q g_1$  and  $g_2^{-1} Q g_2$  differ by conjugation by an element  $h$  which permutes irreducible factors. Hence the conjugation by  $i(h)$ , where  $i : \Sigma_k \rightarrow O(k)$  is an obvious inclusion, sends the group  $g_1^{-1} \bar{Q} g_1$  onto  $g_2^{-1} \bar{Q} g_2$  and also permutes irreducible factors. By (3.21)  $h \in P$  if and only if  $i(h) \in \bar{P}$ . It shows that  $g_1 P$  and  $g_2 P$  represent the same morphism  $Q \rightarrow P$  in  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_k)$  if and only if they represent the same morphism in  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_k)$ . As a consequence we get that  $I$  is an isomorphism on sets of morphisms.  $\square$

#### 4. 2-STUBBORN SUBGROUPS OF $G$ , $\tilde{G}$ AND THEIR REPRESENTATIONS

**2-Stubborn subgroups of  $O(7)$ .** By [9, Prop. 11], [9, Th. 12] and [7, Prop. 1.6. (i)] the functors

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_2(O(7)) \ni O(7)/P &\mapsto G/(P \cap G) \in \mathcal{R}_2(G) \\ \mathcal{R}_2(G) \ni G/P &\mapsto \tilde{G}/\tilde{P} \in \mathcal{R}_2(\tilde{G}) \end{aligned}$$

are natural equivalences. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_{irr}(1) &= \{\{\pm 1\}\}, & \mathcal{T}_{irr}(2) &= \{O(2)\}, \\ \mathcal{T}_{irr}(4) &= \{O(2) \wr C_2, \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^2, \bar{\Gamma}_4, \Gamma_4\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_{prod}(7) &= \{H \times O(2) \times \{\pm 1\}, H \times \{\pm 1\}^3\}_{H \in \mathcal{T}_{irr}(4)} \\ &\quad \cup \{O(2)^i \times \{\pm 1\}^{7-2i}\}_{i=0, \dots, 3}. \end{aligned}$$

All groups in  $\mathcal{T}_{prod}(7)$  but  $O(2)^2 \times \{\pm 1\}^3$  are 2-stubborn in  $O(7)$  (by 3.7). Introduce the following notation for 2-stubborn subgroups of  $G$  and  $\tilde{G}$ . Let  $N :=$

$O(2) \wr C_2$ ,  $K := \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^2$ ,  $J := \bar{\Gamma}_4$  and  $M := \Gamma_4$ , and for each  $H \in \{J, K, M, N\}$  let

$$(4.3) \quad H_1 := (H \times O(2) \times \{\pm 1\}) \cap G \subseteq (O(4) \times O(2) \times O(1)) \cap G \subset G$$

$$(4.4) \quad H_0 := (H \times \{\pm 1\}^3) \cap G \subseteq (O(4) \times O(3)) \cap G \subset G,$$

and for  $i = 0, 1, 3$  let

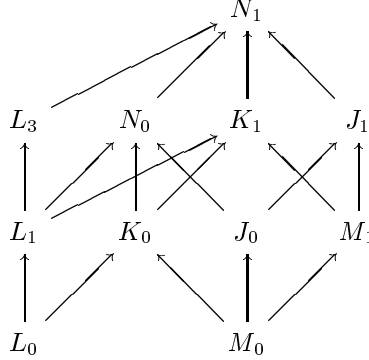
$$(4.5) \quad L_i := (O(2)^i \times \{\pm 1\}^{7-2i}) \cap G \subseteq G.$$

Then  $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{R}_2(G)) = \{G/P\}$  and  $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{R}_2(\tilde{G})) = \{\tilde{G}/\tilde{P}\}$ , where  $P$  is conjugate to one of  $J_i, K_i, M_i, N_i$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ) or  $L_i$  ( $i = 0, 1, 3$ ).

Here follows the list of Weyl groups of 2-stubborn subgroups of  $G$ :

$$(4.6) \quad \begin{aligned} W_G(N_1) &= 1, & W_G(N_0) &\cong W_G(L_3) \cong W_G(K_1) \cong W_G(J_1) \cong \Sigma_3 \\ W_G(L_1) &\cong \Sigma_5, & W_G(L_0) &\cong \Sigma_7, & W_G(K_0) &\cong W_G(J_0) \cong \Sigma_3 \times \Sigma_3 \\ W_G(M_1) &\cong \Sigma_3 \wr \Sigma_2, & W_G(M_0) &\cong \Sigma_3 \wr \Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_3 \end{aligned}$$

The set of morphisms of  $\mathcal{R}_2(O(7)) \cong \mathcal{R}_2(G) \cong \mathcal{R}_2(\tilde{G})$  is generated by automorphisms and by inclusions presented on the following diagram:



**Representations.** The remaining part of this section contains a partial classification of complex representations of discrete approximations of 2-stubborn subgroups of  $G$  and  $\tilde{G}$ . At the beginning let us introduce some notation. Let  $\theta$  denote a trivial irreducible representation of any group and let  $\iota$  be a non-trivial irreducible representation of an order 2 group. Every irreducible representation of a 2-discrete torus  $\mathbb{Z}/2^\infty \cong SO(2)^\infty$  is 1-dimensional and has the form

$$(4.7) \quad \varrho_k : \mathbb{Z}/2^\infty \ni \frac{n}{2^t} \mapsto \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{kn}{2^t}\right) \in U(1), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge$$

Finally, let

$$(4.8) \quad \alpha_k := \text{ind}_{SO(2)^\infty}^{O(2)^\infty} \varrho_k \quad \text{for } k \in 1 + \mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge$$

$$(4.9) \quad \beta_k := \text{ind}_{SO(2)^\infty}^{O(2)^\infty} \varrho_k \quad \text{for } k \in 2\mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge \setminus \{0\}.$$

We have  $\text{IR}(O(2)^\infty) = \{\alpha_k\}_{k \in 1 + \mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge} \cup \{\beta_k\}_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge \setminus \{0\}} \cup \{\theta, \tau := \det\}$ .

**Odd representations of subgroups of  $\tilde{G}$ .** Let  $\Gamma$  be any locally finite subgroup of  $G$  and let  $\tilde{\Gamma} := \pi^{-1}(\Gamma)$ . An irreducible representation  $\varphi$  of  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  is

- *even* if it is a restriction of some representation of  $\Gamma$  (and  $\chi_\varphi(u) = \dim \varphi$ )
- *odd* if it is not (in this case  $\chi_\varphi(u) = -\dim \varphi$ )

The following lemma will be applied later to groups  $\tilde{M}_0$  and  $\tilde{L}_0$ :

**Proposition 4.10.** *Let  $\Delta \in O(4)$  be a locally finite group and let*

$$\tilde{\Gamma} := \pi^{-1}((\Delta \times \{\pm 1\}^3) \cap G) \subseteq \tilde{G}.$$

*Then any odd representation of  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  is invariant under conjugation by an element  $l \in \tilde{G}$  such that  $\pi(l) = -(I_5 \oplus B)$  (cf. 3.1).*

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi$  be an odd representation of  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  and let  $g \in \tilde{\Gamma}$ . We have  $\pi(g) = (h, t)$ , where  $h \in O(4)$ ,  $t \in \{\pm 1\}^3$ . If  $t = (1, 1, 1)$  or  $t = (-1, -1, -1)$ , then  $g$  and  $l$  commute and hence  $\chi_{l^* \varphi}(g) = \chi_\varphi(l^{-1}gl) = \chi_\varphi(g)$ . Otherwise  $l^{-1}gl$  is conjugate to  $l^{-1}glu$  and  $g$  is conjugate to  $gu$ . Since  $\varphi$  is odd, we have  $\chi_\varphi(g) = \chi_\varphi(gu) = -\chi_\varphi(g)$ . Therefore  $\chi_\varphi(g) = 0$  (and similarly  $\chi_\varphi(l^{-1}gl) = 0$ ). Then representations  $\varphi$  and  $l^* \varphi$  have equal characters and they are isomorphic.  $\square$

**Representations of  $L_0$  and  $L_1^\infty$ .** Let  $r$  be an odd positive integer. For each sequence  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r) \in \mathbb{R}(\{\pm 1\})^r$  define

$$(4.11) \quad \tau_{(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)} := \text{res}_{\{\pm 1\}^r \cap SO(r)}^{\{\pm 1\}^r} \mu_1 \bar{\otimes} \dots \bar{\otimes} \mu_r.$$

Let  $\eta_i^r := \bigoplus \tau_{(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)}$ , where the sum is taken over all sequences in which  $\iota$  appears exactly  $i$  times. Obviously  $\eta_i^r \sim \eta_{r-i}^r$ . Then each  $\Sigma_r$ -invariant representation of  $\{\pm 1\}^r \cap SO(r)$  (where  $\Sigma_r$  acts by permutations) is isomorphic to a direct sum of  $\eta_i^r$ 's for  $0 \leq i < \frac{r}{2}$ . In particular, holds

**Corollary 4.12.** Any  $W_G(L_0) \simeq \Sigma_7$ -invariant representation of  $L_0$  is isomorphic to a direct sum of  $\eta_i^7$ 's for  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ .

An isomorphism

$$O(2)^\infty \times (\{\pm 1\} \cap SO(5)) \ni (g, h) \mapsto (g, h \cdot \det g) \in L_1^\infty$$

provides a bijection  $\mathbb{R}(L_1^\infty) \simeq \mathbb{R}(O(2)^\infty) \times \mathbb{R}(\{\pm 1\}^5 \cap SO(5))$ ; moreover, the action of  $\Sigma_5 \simeq W_G(L_1)$  on  $\mathbb{R}(L_1^\infty)$  coincides with an action on  $\mathbb{R}(\{\pm 1\}^5 \cap SO(5))$  by permutations. Thus every  $\Sigma_5$ -invariant representation of  $L_1^\infty$  is isomorphic to a product of representations of the form  $\lambda \bar{\otimes} \eta_i^5$ , where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}(O(2)^\infty)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$ .

Next we calculate restrictions of representations of  $L_1^\infty$  to  $L_0$ . Let  $\eta_{i(j)}^7 := \bigoplus \tau_{(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_7)}$ , where the sum is taken over all sequences such that exactly  $j$  of the representations  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  are isomorphic to  $\iota$  and exactly  $i$  of the representations  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_7$  are isomorphic to  $\iota$ . Elementary calculations of characters provide the following

**Corollary 4.13.**  $\Sigma_5$ -invariant representations of  $L_1^\infty$  restrict to  $L_0$  as follows:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \alpha_k \bar{\otimes} \eta_0^5 \mapsto \eta_{1(1)}^7 & \theta \bar{\otimes} \eta_0^5 \mapsto \eta_0^7 & \tau \bar{\otimes} \eta_0^5 \mapsto \eta_{2(0)}^7 \\ \alpha_k \bar{\otimes} \eta_1^5 \mapsto \eta_{2(1)}^7 & \theta \bar{\otimes} \eta_1^5 \mapsto \eta_{3(2)}^7 & \tau \bar{\otimes} \eta_1^5 \mapsto \eta_{1(0)}^7 \\ \alpha_k \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5 \mapsto \eta_{3(1)}^7 & \theta \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5 \mapsto \eta_{2(0)}^7 & \tau \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5 \mapsto \eta_{3(0)}^7 \end{array}$$

Moreover,  $\text{res}_{L_0}^{L_1^\infty} \beta_{2k} \bar{\otimes} \eta_i^5 \simeq \text{res}_{L_0}^{L_1^\infty} (\theta \oplus \tau) \bar{\otimes} \eta_i^5$ .  $\square$

**Representations of  $M_0$  and  $M_1^\infty$ . Isomorphisms**

$$M \times O(2)^\infty \ni (g, h) \mapsto (g, h, \det h) \in M_1^\infty \subset G \cap (O(4) \times O(2) \times O(1))$$

$$M \times \{\pm 1\}^2 \ni (g, h_1, h_2) \mapsto (g, h_1, h_2, h_1 h_2) \in M_0 \subset G \cap (O(4) \times O(1)^3)$$

provide an identifications  $\mathrm{IR}(M_1^\infty) \simeq \mathrm{IR}(M \times O(2)^\infty) \simeq \mathrm{IR}(M) \times \mathrm{IR}(O(2)^\infty)$  and  $\mathrm{IR}(M_0) \simeq \mathrm{IR}(M \times \{\pm 1\}^2) \simeq \mathrm{IR}(M) \times \mathrm{IR}(\{\pm 1\}^2)$ . Furthermore, the restriction from  $M_1^\infty \simeq M \times O(2)^\infty$  to  $M_0 \simeq M \times \{\pm 1\}^2$  is product-wise.

**Representations of  $K_0$ .** All irreducible representations of  $K \simeq \{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^2$  are sub-representations of  $\mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^K (\bigotimes_{a \in C_2^2} \mu_a)$  for  $\mu_a \in \mathrm{IR}(\{\pm 1\}) = \{\theta, \iota\}$ . By Mackey's criterion representations

$$\gamma_1 := \mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^K \theta \bar{\otimes} \theta \bar{\otimes} \theta \bar{\otimes} \iota$$

$$\gamma_3 := \mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^K \theta \bar{\otimes} \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota$$

are irreducible. Furthermore, For  $\mu, \nu \in \mathrm{IR}(C_2) = \{\theta, \iota\}$  define

$$\gamma_0^{\mu, \nu} := \mathrm{res}_K^{C_2^2} (\mu \bar{\otimes} \nu), \quad \gamma_4^{\mu, \nu} := \mathrm{res}_K^{C_2^2} (\mu \bar{\otimes} \nu) \otimes \det.$$

There are decompositions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^{\{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^2} \theta \bar{\otimes} \theta \bar{\otimes} \theta \bar{\otimes} \theta &\simeq \bigoplus_{\mu, \nu \in \mathrm{IR}(C_2)} \gamma_0^{\mu, \nu} \\ \mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^{\{\pm 1\} \wr C_2^2} \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota &\simeq \bigoplus_{\mu, \nu \in \mathrm{IR}(C_2)} \gamma_4^{\mu, \nu}. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $a \in C_2^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}$  let  $\zeta_a := \theta \bar{\otimes} \theta \bar{\otimes} \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota \in \mathrm{IR}(\{\pm 1\}^4)$  (where  $a$  is the difference between coordinates with the same isomorphism class of representation). Following [11, Section 8.2] we see that  $\mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^{\{\pm 1\}^4 \times \langle a \rangle} \zeta_a$  splits onto the sum of non-isomorphic one-dimensional representations  $\zeta_a^+$  and  $\zeta_a^-$ . Moreover, for  $\epsilon \in \{+, -\}$  representations  $\gamma_{2,a}^\epsilon := \mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4 \times \langle a \rangle}^K \zeta_a^\epsilon$  are irreducible. Obviously  $\mathrm{ind}_{\{\pm 1\}^4}^K \zeta_a \simeq \gamma_{2,a}^+ \oplus \gamma_{2,a}^-$ . As a consequence we obtain

**Corollary 4.14.**

$$\mathrm{IR}(K) = \{\gamma_1, \gamma_3\} \cup \{\gamma_0^{\mu, \nu}, \gamma_4^{\mu, \nu}\}_{\mu, \nu \in \mathrm{IR}(C_2)} \cup \{\gamma_{2,a}^\epsilon\}_{a \in C_2^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}, \epsilon \in \{+, -\}}.$$

Since the action of  $W_{O(4)}(K) \cong \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{F}_2) \simeq \Sigma_3$  on  $K$  is natural, we have

**Corollary 4.15.** Here follow the orbits of an action of  $W_{O(4)}(K)$  on  $\mathrm{IR}(K)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} &\{\gamma_0^{\theta, \theta}\}, \quad \{\gamma_0^{\theta, \iota}, \gamma_0^{\iota, \theta}, \gamma_0^{\iota, \iota}\}, \quad \{\gamma_4^{\theta, \theta}\}, \quad \{\gamma_4^{\theta, \iota}, \gamma_4^{\iota, \theta}, \gamma_4^{\iota, \iota}\}, \quad \{\gamma_1\}, \quad \{\gamma_3\} \\ &\{\gamma_{2,(0,1)}^+, \gamma_{2,(1,0)}^+, \gamma_{2,(1,1)}^+\}, \quad \{\gamma_{2,(0,1)}^-, \gamma_{2,(1,0)}^-, \gamma_{2,(1,1)}^-\} \end{aligned}$$

Finally we show how  $W_G(K_0)$ -invariant representations of  $K_0$  restrict to  $L_0$ . An isomorphism

$$K \times \{\pm 1\}^2 \ni (g, h_1, h_2) \mapsto (g, h_1, h_2, h_1 h_2) \in K_0 \subset G \cap (O(4) \times O(1)^3)$$

identifies  $\mathrm{IR}(K_0)$  and  $\mathrm{IR}(K) \times \mathrm{IR}(\{\pm 1\}^2)$  (and obviously an action of  $W_G(K_0) \simeq \Sigma_3 \times \Sigma_3$  is product-wise). Denote  $\sigma := \theta \bar{\otimes} \iota \oplus \iota \bar{\otimes} \theta \oplus \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota \in \mathrm{Rep}(\{\pm 1\}^2)$ . Finally, let  $\eta_{i[j]}^7 := \bigoplus \tau_{(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_7)}$ , where the sum is taken over all sequences such that exactly  $j$  of the representations  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4$  are isomorphic to  $\iota$  and exactly  $i$  of the representations  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_7$  are isomorphic to  $\iota$ . By comparing characters we obtain

**Corollary 4.16.**  $W_G(K_0)$ -invariant representations of  $K_0$  restrict to  $L_0$  as follows:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \gamma_0^{\mu,\nu} \bar{\otimes} \theta \mapsto \eta_0^7 & \gamma_0^{\mu,\nu} \bar{\otimes} \sigma \mapsto \eta_{2[0]}^7 & \gamma_4^{\mu,\nu} \bar{\otimes} \theta \mapsto \eta_{3[0]}^7 & \gamma_4^{\mu,\nu} \bar{\otimes} \sigma \mapsto \eta_{1[0]}^7 \\ \gamma_1 \bar{\otimes} \theta \mapsto \eta_{1[1]}^7 & \gamma_1 \bar{\otimes} \sigma \mapsto \eta_{3[1]}^7 & \gamma_3 \bar{\otimes} \theta \mapsto \eta_{3[3]}^7 & \gamma_3 \bar{\otimes} \sigma \mapsto \eta_{2[1]}^7 \\ \gamma_{2,a}^\epsilon \bar{\otimes} \theta \mapsto \eta_{2[2]}^7 & \gamma_{2,a}^\epsilon \bar{\otimes} \sigma \mapsto \eta_{3[2]}^7 & & \end{array}$$

for any  $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{R}(\{\pm 1\})$ ,  $a \in C_2^2 \setminus \{0, 0\}$ ,  $\epsilon \in \{+, -\}$ .

## 5. COHOMOLOGY OF $\mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge[\mathcal{R}_2(L)]$ -MODULES

By an  $R[\mathcal{C}]$ -module, where  $R$  is a commutative ring  $R$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  is a small category, we mean a contravariant functor  $\mathbf{M} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow R\text{-Mod}$  and  $H^n(\mathcal{C}; \mathbf{M})$  stands for a higher limit  $\lim_{\mathcal{C}}^n \mathbf{M}$ . Let  $A$  be a ring of  $p$ -adic integers and let  $\Gamma$  be a finite group. For any  $A[\Gamma]$ -module  $M$  let  $\mathbf{F}_M$  be an atomic  $\mathcal{O}_p(\Gamma)$ -module with value  $M$  concentrated on  $\Gamma/1$ . Following [7, 5.3] define  $\Lambda^n(\Gamma; M) := H^n(\mathcal{O}_p(\Gamma); \mathbf{F}_M)$ . An importance of groups  $\Lambda^*$  comes from the following

**Theorem 5.1.** ([7, 5.4]) *Let  $L$  be a compact Lie group and  $\mathbf{M}$  an atomic  $A[\mathcal{R}_p(L)]$ -module concentrated on an object  $L/Q$ . Then*

$$H^*(\mathcal{R}_p(L); \mathbf{M}) \cong \Lambda^*(\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}_p(L)}(L/Q); \mathbf{M}(L/Q)) = \Lambda^*(W_L(Q); \mathbf{M}(L/Q)).$$

Jackowski, McClure and Oliver [7] provided the following inductive method of calculation of groups  $\Lambda^*(\Gamma, M)$ .

**Proposition 5.2.** *Let  $M$  be an  $A[\Gamma]$ -module. Then*

- (1) [7, 6.1.(i)] *If  $p$  divides  $|\Gamma|$ , then  $\Lambda^0(\Gamma; M) = 0$ . Otherwise  $\Lambda^0(\Gamma; M) = M^\Gamma$  and  $\Lambda^i(\Gamma; M) = 0$  for  $i > 0$ ,*
- (2) [7, 6.2.(ii)] *Let  $\Gamma_p$  be a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $\Gamma$  and let  $\sim$  be the equivalence relation among  $p$ -Sylow subgroups generated by nontrivial intersection. Set  $\Delta := \{g \in \Gamma : g^{-1}\Gamma_p g \sim \Gamma_p\}$ . Then  $\Lambda^1(\Gamma; M) \cong M^\Delta/M^\Gamma$ .*
- (3) [7, 5.2.(ii)] *Define  $A[\Gamma]$ -modules  $\mathbf{F}'_M(\Gamma/P) := M^P$  and  $\mathbf{F}''_M(\Gamma/P) := \mathbf{F}'_M/\mathbf{F}_M$ . Then  $H^i(\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma); \mathbf{F}'_M) = 0$  for  $i > 0$  and  $H^0(\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma); \mathbf{F}'_M) = M^\Gamma$ . As a consequence,*

$$\Lambda^i(\Gamma; M) = H^i(\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma); \mathbf{F}_M) \simeq H^{i-1}(\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma); \mathbf{F}''_M) \simeq H^{i-1}(\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma) \setminus \{\Gamma/1\}; \mathbf{F}''_M)$$

for  $i > 1$  ( $\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma) \setminus \{\Gamma/1\}$  stands for a full subcategory with  $\Gamma/1$  omitted).

If an  $A[\mathcal{R}_p(L)]$ -module  $\mathbf{M}$  is not atomic, then there is a spectral sequence converging to  $H^*(\mathcal{R}_p(L); \mathbf{M})$ . Choose a strictly decreasing map of posets  $\text{ht} : \text{Ob}(\mathcal{R}_p(L)) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ . Here follows reformulation of [6, 1.3].

**Theorem 5.3.** *There is a spectral sequence  $E_*^{*,*} := E(\mathcal{R}_p(L), \mathbf{M})_*^{*,*}$  with the first term*

$$E_1^{s,t} := \bigoplus_{\text{ht}(L/P)=s} \Lambda^{s+t}(W_L(P); \mathbf{M}(L/P))$$

converging to  $H^*(\mathcal{R}_p(L); \mathbf{M})$ .

A differential  $d_1^{s,t} : E_1^{s,t} \rightarrow E_1^{s+1,t}$  is a sum

$$d_1^{s,t} = \bigoplus_{\text{ht}(L/P)=s, \text{ht}(L/Q)=s+1} d_1^{s,t}(P, Q),$$

where  $d_1^{s,t}(P, Q) : \Lambda^{s+t}(W_L(P); M(L/P)) \rightarrow \Lambda^{s+t+1}(W_L(Q); M(L/Q))$  is a differential from a long exact sequence associated to a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbf{M}|_{\{Q\}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{M}|_{\{P, Q\}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{M}|_{\{Q\}} \longrightarrow 0,$$

The module  $\mathbf{M}|_X$ , for  $X \subseteq \text{Ob}(\mathcal{R}_p(L))$  is

$$(5.4) \quad \mathbf{M}|_X(L/P) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{M}(L/P) & \text{if } L/P \in X \\ 0 & \text{if } L/P \notin X \end{cases}$$

and  $\mathbf{M}|_X(L/P \rightarrow L/Q) = \mathbf{M}(L/P \rightarrow L/Q)$  if  $L/P, L/Q \in X$  (of course, this definition is valid only for subsets  $X$  which are convex, i.e. for any sequence  $L/P \rightarrow L/Q \rightarrow L/R$  such that  $L/P, L/R \in X$  also  $L/Q \in X$ ).

**Proposition 5.5.** *If  $\text{ht}(L/P) + 1 = \text{ht}(L/1) = n$ , then  $d_1^{n-1,t}(P, 1)$  is a composition*

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda^{n-1+t}(W_\Gamma(P); \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/P)) &\longrightarrow \Lambda^{n-1+t}(W_\Gamma(P); \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)^P) \\ &\longrightarrow H^{n-1+t}(\mathcal{O}_p(\Gamma); \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)}'' \simeq \Lambda^{n+t}(\Gamma; \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* A homomorphism  $\mathbf{M} \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)}'$  which is an identity on  $\Gamma/1$  induces a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda^{n-1+t}(W_\Gamma(P); \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/P)) & \xrightarrow{d_1^{s,t}(P,1)} & \Lambda^{n+t}(\Gamma; \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)) \\ \downarrow & & \parallel \\ \Lambda^{n-1+t}(W_\Gamma(P); \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)^P) & \longrightarrow & \Lambda^{n+t}(\Gamma; \mathbf{M}(\Gamma/1)) \end{array}$$

The conclusion follows.  $\square$

For any group  $\Gamma$  let  $\Lambda \dim_p(\Gamma)$  be the greatest integer  $n$  such that  $\Lambda^n(\Gamma; M) \neq 0$  for some  $A[\Gamma]$ -module  $M$ . By [7, p. 229]  $\Lambda \dim_p(\Gamma)$  is less or equal to the rank of  $p$ -Sylow-subgroup of  $\Gamma$ . An application of a spectral sequence 5.3 to an  $A[\mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma)]$ -module  $\mathbf{F}_M''$  shows that

$$(5.6) \quad \Lambda \dim_p(\Gamma) \leq 1 + \max_{\Gamma/P \in \mathcal{R}_p(\Gamma)} \Lambda \dim_p(W_\Gamma(P)).$$

The remaining part of the section contains calculations of groups  $\Lambda^*(\Gamma; M)$  for some groups  $\Gamma$  and modules  $M$  for  $p = 2$ .

**Cohomology of  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_3)$ .** Note that  $\mathcal{J} := \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_3)$  has two objects, namely  $\Sigma_3/1$  and  $\Sigma_3/C_2$ . By 5.2 and 5.6 we have

$$(5.7) \quad \Lambda^n(\Sigma_3; M) = \begin{cases} M^{\Sigma_2}/M^{\Sigma_3} & \text{for } n = 1 \\ 0 & \text{for } n \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

Define a height function of  $\mathcal{J}$  by  $\text{ht}(\Sigma_3/1) = 1$ ,  $\text{ht}(\Sigma_3/C_2) = 0$ . For any  $A[\mathcal{J}]$ -module  $\mathbf{M}$ , the spectral sequence 5.3 degenerates to an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{J}; \mathbf{M}) &\longrightarrow \mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/\Sigma_2) \\ &\xrightarrow{d} \mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/1)^{\Sigma_2}/\mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/1)^{\Sigma_3} \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{J}; \mathbf{M}) \longrightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

where (by 5.5)  $d$  is the composition

$$(5.8) \quad \mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/\Sigma_2) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{M}(1^{\Sigma_2})} \mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/1)^{\Sigma_2} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/1)^{\Sigma_2}/\mathbf{M}(\Sigma_3/1)^{\Sigma_3}.$$



**Cohomology of  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_5)$ .** By (3.14) there are, up to conjugacy, four stubborn subgroups of  $\Sigma_5$ , namely  $1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $1 \wr C_2^2$  and  $C_2 \wr C_2$ . Its Weyl groups (in  $\Sigma_5$ ) are isomorphic to  $\Sigma_5, \Sigma_3, \Sigma_3$  and  $1$  respectively.

**Proposition 5.9.** *Let  $M$  be an  $A[\Sigma_5]$ -module. Then*

$$\Lambda^n(\Sigma_5; M) = \begin{cases} M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_2 \times 1} / (M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_3} + M^{\Sigma_4 \times 1}) & \text{for } n = 2 \\ 0 & \text{for } n \neq 2. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* By 5.2 and 5.6 we have  $\Lambda^n(\Sigma_5; M) = 0$  for  $n \neq 2$  and  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; M) \cong H^1(\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_5); \mathbf{F}_M'')$ . Introduce a height function on  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_5)$  by  $\text{ht}(\Sigma_5/(C_2 \wr C_2)) = 0$ ,  $\text{ht}(\Sigma_5/(1 \wr C_2^2)) = \text{ht}(\Sigma_5/C_2) = 1$  and  $\text{ht}(\Sigma_5/1) = 2$ . The spectral sequence (5.3) calculating  $H^*(\mathcal{R}; \mathbf{F}_M'')$  degenerates to an exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{R}; \mathbf{F}_M'') \longrightarrow M^{C_2 \wr C_2} \xrightarrow{d_1^{0,0}(1, C_2) \oplus d_1^{0,0}(1, 1 \wr C_2^2)} M^{C_2 \times C_2} / M^{C_2 \times \Sigma_3} \oplus M^{C_2 \wr C_2} / M^{\Sigma_4} \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{R}; \mathbf{F}_M'') \longrightarrow 0.$$

Full subcategories with object sets respectively  $\{\Sigma_5/(C_2 \wr C_2), \Sigma_5/(1 \wr C_2^2)\}$  and  $\{\Sigma_5/(C_2 \wr C_2), \Sigma_5/C_2\}$  are both isomorphic to  $\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_3)$ . Thus by 5.5  $d_1^{0,0}(1, C_2)$  is a composition

$$M^{C_2 \wr C_2} \hookrightarrow M^{C_2 \times C_2} \twoheadrightarrow M^{C_2 \times C_2} / M^{C_2 \times \Sigma_3}$$

and  $d_1^{0,0}(1, 1 \wr C_2^2)$  is a natural projection. Thus  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; M) \cong H^1(\mathcal{R}; \mathbf{F}_M'') \cong M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_2 \times 1} / (M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_3} + M^{\Sigma_4 \times 1})$ .  $\square$

**The groups  $\Lambda^*(\Sigma_7; -)$ .**  $\Lambda^*$ -groups of  $\Sigma_7$  are more difficult to calculate.

Denote  $\mathcal{R} := \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7)$ , and let  $a = (12)$ ,  $b = (34)$ ,  $c = (56)$ ,  $s = (13)(24)$ . By 3.14 there are 7 conjugacy classes of stubborn subgroups of  $\Sigma_7$ , namely  $1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $C_2^3$ ,  $K := 1 \wr C_2^2$  (the Klein group),  $K \times C_2$ ,  $D_8 \simeq C_2 \wr C_2$ ,  $D_8 \times C_2$ . Its automorphism groups are respectively  $1$  (for  $D_8 \times C_2$ ),  $\Sigma_3$  (for  $D_8$ ,  $C_2^3$  and  $K \times C_2$ ),  $\Sigma_5$  (for  $C_2$ ),  $\Sigma_3 \times \Sigma_3$  (for  $K$ ) and  $\Sigma_7$  (for  $1$ ).

**Proposition 5.10.** *If  $M$  is an  $A[\Sigma_7]$ -module, then  $\Lambda^i(\Sigma_7; M) = 0$  for  $i \neq 2, 3$ .*

*Proof.* For  $n = 0, 1$  the conclusion is clear. Since  $\text{Adim}_2(\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}}(\Sigma_7/P)) \leq 2$  for all orbits  $\Sigma_7/P \in \mathcal{R}$  except  $\Sigma_7/1$ , then for each  $n > 3$

$$\Lambda^n(\Sigma_7; M) \cong H^{n-1}(\mathcal{R}; \mathbf{F}_M'') \cong H^{n-1}(\mathcal{R} \setminus \{\Sigma_7/1\}; \mathbf{F}_M'') = 0.$$

$\square$

**Proposition 5.11.**  $\Lambda^i(\Sigma_7; M(7, 1)) = 0$  for each  $i \geq 0$ .

*Proof.* It is enough to prove that for each  $\Sigma_7/P \in \mathcal{R}$  and each  $n > 1$  holds

$$\Lambda_P^n := \Lambda^n(\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}}(\Sigma_7/P); F_{M(7,1)}''(\Sigma_7/P)) = 0.$$

For  $P = L_0 = 1$  we have  $F_{M(7,1)}''(\Sigma_7/1) = 0$  and for  $P = N_1, N_0, K_1, L_3$  we have  $\text{Adim}_2(P) < 2$  and therefore  $\Lambda_P^n = 0$  for  $n \geq 2$ . Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} F_{M(7,1)}''(\Sigma_7/C_2) &= M(7, 1)^{C_2} \cong A\{x_1 + x_2\} \oplus M(5, 1)\{x_i\}_{i=3}^7 \\ F_{M(7,1)}''(\Sigma_7/K) &\cong A \bar{\otimes} A\{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4\} \oplus A \bar{\otimes} M(3, 1)\{x_i\}_{i=5}^7 \end{aligned}$$

Then, for  $i > 1$ , we have  $\Lambda_{L_1}^i = 0$  by 5.9 and  $\Lambda_{K_0}^i = 0$  by 5.7 and [7, 6.1.v].  $\square$

**Proposition 5.12.**  $\Lambda^3(\Sigma_7; M(7, 2)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Introduce a height function on  $\mathcal{R} := \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7)$  by

$$\text{ht}(\Sigma_7/P) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } P = D_8 \times C_2 \\ 1 & \text{for } P = D_8, C_2^2, K \times C_2 \\ 2 & \text{for } P = C_2, K \\ 3 & \text{for } P = 1 \end{cases}$$

Let  $E_*^{*,*} := E(\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7), \mathbf{F}_{M(7,2)}''^{*,*})$ . Since  $\text{Adim}_2(W_{\Sigma_7}(P)) \leq \text{ht}(\Sigma_7/P)$  for all 2-stubborn  $P$  it is sufficient to prove that

$$E_1^{2,0} = \Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; M(7,2)^{C_2}) \oplus \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3^2; M(7,2)^K)$$

is killed by the differential  $d_1^{1,0}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} M(7,2)^{C_2} &\cong A\{x_{12}\} \oplus M(5,1)\{x_{1i} + x_{2i}\}_{i=3}^7 \oplus M(5,2)\{x_{ij}\}_{3 \leq i < j \leq 7} \\ M(7,2)^K &\cong (M(3,1) \bar{\otimes} A)\{x_{12} + x_{34}, x_{13} + x_{24}, x_{14} + x_{23}\} \\ &\quad \oplus (A \bar{\otimes} M(3,1))\{x_{1i} + x_{2i} + x_{3i} + x_{4i}\}_{i=5}^7 \\ &\quad \oplus (A \bar{\otimes} M(3,1))\{x_{ij}\}_{5 \leq i < j \leq 7} \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_3^2; M(7,2)^K) = 0$  (by 5.7 and [7, 6.1.v]), but  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; M(7,2)^{C_2}) \neq 0$  (and hence  $E_1^{2,0} \neq 0$ ). We will prove that

$$d_1^{1,0}(K \times C_2, C_2) : \Lambda^1(\Sigma_3; M(7,2)^{K \times C_2}) \longrightarrow \Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; M(7,2)^{C_2}).$$

is an epimorphism, or equivalently that  $H^2(\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7; \mathbf{F}_{M(7,2)}''|_{\{K \times C_2, C_2\}})) = 0$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}_2^{ext}(\Sigma_7)$  be a full subcategory of  $\mathcal{O}_2(\Sigma_7)$  with objects  $\Sigma_7/P$  for  $P \in \mathcal{T}_{prod}(7)$ . Define a functor

$$J : \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_5) \ni \Sigma_5/P \mapsto \Sigma_7 \times_{(\Sigma_5 \times \Sigma_2)} \Sigma_5 \times \Sigma_2/P \times \Sigma_2 \in \mathcal{R}_2^{ext}(\Sigma_7).$$

There is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda^1(W_{\Sigma_5}(K); M(7,2)^{K \times C_2}) & \longleftarrow & \Lambda^1(W_{\Sigma_7}(K \times C_2); M(7,2)^{K \times C_2}) \\ \downarrow d_1^{1,0}(K,1) & & \downarrow d_1^{1,0}(K \times C_2, C_2) \\ \Lambda^2(W_{\Sigma_5}(1); M(7,2)^{C_2}) & \longleftarrow & \Lambda^2(W_{\Sigma_7}(C_2); M(7,2)^{C_2}) \end{array}$$

Since  $J$  induces isomorphisms  $\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_5)}(\Sigma_5/P) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7)}(\Sigma_7/(P \times C_2))$  for  $P = 1, K$  the horizontal arrows are actually bijections. Hence it is sufficient to prove that the left vertical arrow is epi. We have

$$\begin{aligned} M(7,2)^{C_2 \times K} &= A\{x_{12}\} \oplus A\left\{\sum_{i=1,2} \sum_{j=3}^6 x_{ij}\right\} \oplus A\{x_{17} + x_{27}\} \oplus A\left\{\sum_{j=3}^6 x_{j7}\right\} \\ &\quad \oplus M(3,1)\{x_{34} + x_{56}, x_{35} + x_{46}, x_{36} + x_{45}\} \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\Lambda^1(\Sigma_3; M(7,2)^{C_2 \times K}) \simeq A\{x_{34} + x_{56}, x_{35} + x_{46} + x_{36} + x_{45}\} / \left\langle \sum_{3 \leq i < j \leq 6} x_{ij} \right\rangle$$

On the other hand, by 5.9

$$\Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; M(7,2)^K) \simeq A\{x_{34}, x_{56}, x_{35} + x_{46} + x_{36} + x_{45}, x_{37} + x_{47}, x_{57} + x_{67}\} / V$$

where

$$V = \langle x_{34}, x_{35} + x_{36} + x_{37} + x_{45} + x_{46} + x_{47}, x_{56} + x_{57} + x_{67}, \\ x_{34} + x_{35} + x_{36} + x_{45} + x_{46} + x_{56}, x_{37} + x_{47} + x_{57} + x_{67} \rangle$$

and the conclusion follows.  $\square$

**The groups  $\Lambda^*(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; -)$ .** There are (up to conjugacy) three 2-stubborn subgroups of  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2$ , namely 1,  $\Sigma_2$  and  $\Sigma_2 \wr C_2$ . Its Weyl groups are respectively  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2$ ,  $\Sigma_3$  and 1. The full subcategory of  $\mathcal{R} := \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2)$  containing  $\Sigma_2$  and  $\Sigma_2 \wr C_2$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_3)$ .

**Proposition 5.13.** *Let  $M$  be an  $A[\Sigma_3 \wr C_2]$ -module. Then*

$$\Lambda^n(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; M) = \begin{cases} M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_2} / M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_3} + M^{\Sigma_2 \wr C_2} & \text{for } n = 2 \\ 0 & \text{for } n \neq 2. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Since the rank of  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2$  is even, and the relation  $\sim$  from 5.2.(2) is transitive, then  $\Lambda^n(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; M) = 0$  for  $n = 0, 1$ . For  $n > 1$  we have

$$\Lambda^n(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; M) \cong H^{n-1}(\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2); \mathbf{F}_M'') \cong H^{n-1}(\mathcal{J}; \text{res}_{\mathcal{J}}^{\mathcal{R}} F_M'').$$

By 5.8 we have

$$H^{n-1}(\mathcal{J}; \text{res}_{\mathcal{J}}^{\mathcal{R}} F_M'') \cong \begin{cases} M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_2} / M^{\Sigma_2 \times \Sigma_3} + M^{\Sigma_2 \wr C_2} & \text{for } n = 2 \\ 0 & \text{for } n \neq 2. \end{cases} \quad \square$$

## 6. HOMOTOPY REPRESENTATIONS OF $G$ AND $\tilde{G}$

Let  $\mathcal{R} := \mathcal{R}_2(G) \cong \mathcal{R}_2(\tilde{G})$ . In this section we prove that for every  $\mathcal{R}$ -invariant representation of  $N$  (resp.  $\tilde{N}$ ) the map  $B\varphi_2^\wedge$  extends to a homotopy representation of  $G$  (resp.  $\tilde{G}$ ).

Denote  $A := \mathbb{Z}_2^\wedge$ . Let  $\varphi$  be an  $\mathcal{R}$ -invariant representation of  $N$  and let  $\Xi := \Xi(\varphi)$  be a module introduced in Section 2. By Theorem 2.5.(a) we need to prove that  $H^3(\mathcal{R}; \Xi)$  vanishes, and that cohomology of  $\mathcal{R}$  with coefficient in any  $A[\mathcal{R}]$ -module vanish above dimension 4.

**Proposition 6.1.** *For each  $G/P \in \mathcal{R}$  we have  $\text{Adim}_2(W_G(P)) \leq 3$ .*

*Proof.* Each group  $W_G(P)$  is isomorphic to one of the following groups: 1,  $\Sigma_3$ ,  $\Sigma_3 \times \Sigma_3$ ,  $\Sigma_5$ ,  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2$ ,  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3$ ,  $\Sigma_7$  (cf. 4.6). We have  $\text{Adim}_2(1) = 0$ ,  $\text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_3) = 1$  (by 5.7),  $\text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_5) = 2$  (by 5.9),  $\text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2) \leq 2$  (by 5.13) and  $\text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_7) \leq 3$  (by 5.10). Moreover,  $\text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_3 \times \Sigma_3) = 2$  and  $\text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3) = \text{Adim}_2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2) + 1 \leq 3$ .  $\square$

As a consequence we obtain

**Corollary 6.2.**  $\text{cdim}_2(\mathcal{R}) \leq 3$ .

In order to calculate  $H^3(\mathcal{R}; \Xi)$  we use a spectral sequence (5.3). Define a height function on  $\mathcal{R}$  by putting

$$(6.3) \quad \text{ht}(G/P) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } P = N_1 \\ 1 & \text{for } P = N_0, L_3, K_1, J_1 \\ 2 & \text{for } P = L_3, K_0, J_0, M_1 \\ 3 & \text{for } P = L_0, M_0 \end{cases}$$

Let  $E_{*}^{*,*} := E(\mathcal{R}; \Xi)_{*}^{*,*}$ .

**Proposition 6.4.**  $H^3(\mathcal{R}; \Xi) = \text{coker}(d_1^{2,0} : E_1^{2,0} \rightarrow E_1^{3,0})$ .

*Proof.* By 6.1 we have  $\Lambda^i(W_G(P)) = 0$  for  $i > \text{ht}(P)$ . Hence  $E_1^{s,t}$  vanishes if  $t > 0$  or if  $s > 3$  (since 3 is a maximal value of the height function). Therefore  $E_1^{3,0}$  is the only rank 3 entry at the first table which possibly does not vanish and  $d_1^{2,0}$  the only possibly non-trivial differential hitting  $E_1^{3,0}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 6.5.** *A homomorphism*

$$d_1^{2,0}(M_1, M_0) : \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; \Xi(G/M_1)) \longrightarrow \Lambda^3(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3; \Xi(G/M_0))$$

(cf. 5.3) is an epimorphism.

*Proof.* Let  $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  be orbits of an action of  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3$  on  $\text{IR}(M_0, \text{res}_{M_0}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi)$ . Each  $X_i$  has the form  $Y_i \times Z_i$ , where  $Y_i$  is an  $\Sigma_3 \wr C_2$ -orbit in  $\text{IR}(M)$  and  $Z_i$  is an  $\Sigma_3$ -orbit in  $\text{IR}(\{\pm 1\}^2)$  (see p.14). By [7, 6.1.v]

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda^3(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3; \Xi(G/M_0)) &\cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} \Lambda^3(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3; A[X_i]) \\ &\simeq \bigoplus_{i \in I} \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; A[Y_i]) \otimes \Lambda^1(\Sigma_3; A[Z_i]) \end{aligned}$$

Each  $Z_i$  is equal either to  $\{\theta \bar{\otimes} \theta\}$ , or to  $\{\theta \bar{\otimes} \iota, \iota \bar{\otimes} \theta, \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota\}$ . In the first case we have  $\Lambda^1(\Sigma_3; A[Z_i]) = 0$ . In the second case, there is an orbit  $X'_i$  in  $\text{IR}(M_1^\infty, \text{res}_{M_1^\infty}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi) \simeq \text{IR}(\Gamma_4^\infty) \times \text{IR}(O(2)^\infty)$  such that  $X'_i = Y_i \times \{\alpha_{2k+1}\}$  for some  $k \in A$ . Furthermore, the restriction of  $d_1^{2,0}$  to  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; A[X'_i])$  is a composition

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; A[X'_i]) &\xrightarrow{\simeq} \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; A[Y'_i]) \otimes A\{\alpha_{2k+1}\} \xrightarrow{1 \times d} \\ &\Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2; A[Y_i]) \otimes \Lambda^1(\Sigma_3; A\{\theta \bar{\otimes} \iota, \iota \bar{\otimes} \theta, \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota\}) \subseteq \Lambda^3(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3; \Xi(G/M_0)). \end{aligned}$$

The differential  $d : A\{\alpha_{2k+1}\} \rightarrow \Lambda^1(\Sigma_3; A\{\theta \bar{\otimes} \iota, \iota \bar{\otimes} \theta, \iota \bar{\otimes} \iota\})$  is an epimorphism by 5.8. Hence  $d_1^{2,0}$  is an epimorphism.  $\square$

**Proposition 6.6.** *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}'_{M(7,3)}(L_1) &\simeq M(5, 1)\{x_{12k}\}_{k \geq 3} \oplus M(5, 2)\{x_{1kl} + x_{2kl}\}_{k, l \geq 3} \\ &\quad \oplus M(5, 2)\{x_{klm}\}_{k, l, m \geq 3} \\ \mathbf{F}'_{M(7,3)}(K_0) &\simeq (A \bar{\otimes} A)\{x_{123} + x_{124} + x_{134} + x_{234}\} \\ &\quad \oplus (M(3, 1) \bar{\otimes} M(3, 1))\{x_{12k} + x_{34k}, x_{13} + x_{24k}, x_{14} + x_{23k}\}_{k \geq 5} \\ &\quad \oplus (A \bar{\otimes} M(3, 1))\{x_{1kl} + x_{2kl} + x_{3kl} + x_{4kl}\}_{k, l \geq 5} (A \bar{\otimes} A)\{x_{567}\} \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 6.7.** *A homomorphism*

$$d_1^{2,0}(L_1, L_0) \oplus d_1^{2,0}(K_0, L_0) : \Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; \Xi(G/L_1)) \oplus \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3^2; \Xi(G/K_0)) \longrightarrow \Lambda^3(\Sigma_7; \Xi(G/L_0))$$

is an epimorphism.

*Proof.* Let  $I : \mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_2(O(7)) \cong \mathcal{R}$  be a full inclusion from Theorem 3.22 and let  $\mathbf{F} := \mathbf{F}'_{\Xi(G/L_0)}$ . Let  $\bar{E}_{*}^{*,*} := E(\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7), \mathbf{F})_{*}^{*,*}$ . There is a homomorphism of  $A[\mathcal{R}_2(\Sigma_7)]$ -modules  $I^* \Xi \rightarrow \mathbf{F}'_{\Xi(G/L_0)}$  which is an isomorphism on  $L_0$  and it

induces a transformation of spectral sequences  $E_*^{*,*} \rightarrow \bar{E}_*^{*,*}$ . In particular, there is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; \Xi(G/L_1)) \oplus \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3^2; \Xi(G/K_0)) & \longrightarrow & \Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; \Xi(L_0)^{C_2}) \oplus \Lambda^2(\Sigma_3^2; \Xi(G/L_0)^K) \\ \downarrow d_1^{2,0} & & \downarrow \bar{d}_1^{2,0} \\ \Lambda^3(\Sigma_7; \Xi(G/L_0)) & \xlongequal{\quad\quad\quad} & \Lambda^3(\Sigma_7; \Xi(G/L_0)) \end{array}$$

(where  $K \subset \Sigma_4 \subset \Sigma_7$  is a Klein group). Since

$$\text{res}_{L_0}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi \simeq (\eta_0^7)^{\oplus l_0} \oplus (\eta_1^7)^{\oplus l_1} \oplus (\eta_2^7)^{\oplus l_2} \oplus (\eta_3^7)^{\oplus l_3},$$

(cf. 4.12) then  $\Xi(G/L_0)$  is a direct sum of some of the modules  $M(7, i)$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, 3$ , where  $M(7, i)$  appears as a summand of  $\Xi(G/L_0)$  if and only if  $\text{res}_{L_0}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi$  contains a subrepresentation isomorphic to  $\eta_i^7$ . From 5.11 and 5.12 follows that  $\Lambda^3(\Sigma_7; \Xi(G/L_0)) = 0$  if  $\text{res}_{L_0}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi$  does not contain a subrepresentation isomorphic to  $\eta_3^7$ , so assume otherwise. Let  $x_{ijk}$ ,  $1 \leq i < j < k \leq 7$  be the generators of the submodule of  $\Xi(G/L_0)$  corresponding to  $\eta_3^7$ . By 4.13 there exists a subrepresentation of  $\text{res}_{L_1}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi$  which is isomorphic either to  $\tau \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5$  or to  $\beta_{2k} \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5$  for some  $k \in A$ , and another subrepresentation isomorphic to  $\alpha_{2k'+1} \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5$ , where  $k' \in A$ . Then  $\Xi(G/L_1)$  contains the direct sum of two  $A[\Sigma_5]$ -submodules isomorphic to  $M(5, 2)$ : the one generated by irreducible subrepresentations of  $\tau \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5$  (or  $\beta_{2k} \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5$ ) maps onto the summand

$$M(5, 2)\{x_{klm}\}_{3 \leq k < l < m \leq 7} \subseteq \mathbf{F}(G/L_1)$$

and the one generated by irreducible subrepresentations of  $\alpha_{2k'+1} \bar{\otimes} \eta_2^5$  maps onto

$$M(5, 2)\{x_{1kl} + x_{2kl}\}_{3 \leq k < l \leq 7} \subseteq \mathbf{F}(G/L_1).$$

By 6.6  $\text{coker}(\Xi(G/L_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{F}(G/L_1))$  is a quotient of a direct sum of  $A[\Sigma_5]$ -modules isomorphic either to  $M(5, 1)$  or to  $A$ . Hence by 5.9 we obtain that  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_5; \text{coker}(\Xi(G/L_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{F}(G/L_1))) = 0$ . Similarly, there is a subrepresentation of  $\text{res}_{K_0}^{N_1^\infty} \varphi$  which is isomorphic to  $(\gamma_{2,(0,1)}^\mu \oplus \gamma_{2,(1,0)}^\mu \oplus \gamma_{2,(1,1)}^\mu) \bar{\otimes} \sigma$  (where  $\mu \in \{+, -\}$ ), generates a submodule of  $\Xi(G/K_0)$  isomorphic to  $M(3, 1) \bar{\otimes} M(3, 1)$  and maps onto

$$M(3, 1) \bar{\otimes} M(3, 1)\{x_{12k} + x_{34k}, x_{13} + x_{24k}, x_{14} + x_{23k}\}_{5 \leq k \leq 7} \subseteq \mathbf{F}(G/K_0).$$

Again by 6.6 we obtain that  $\Lambda^2(\Sigma_3 \times \Sigma_3; \text{coker}(\Xi(G/K_0) \rightarrow \mathbf{F}(G/K_0))) = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.8.** *Each  $\mathcal{R}_2(G)$ -invariant representation of  $N_1^\infty$  extends to a homotopy representation of  $G$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $E_1^{3,0} = \Lambda^3(\Sigma_3 \wr C_2 \times \Sigma_3; \Xi(G/M_0)) \oplus \Lambda^3(\Sigma_7; \Xi(G/L_0))$ , then  $H^3(\mathcal{R}; \Xi) = 0$  by 6.5, 6.7 and 6.4. Now the conclusion follows from 6.1 and 2.5.  $\square$

Now let  $\tilde{\varphi}$  be an  $\mathcal{R}$ -invariant representation of  $\tilde{N}_1^\infty$ . The representation  $\varphi$  splits into the even part  $\varphi_{ev}$  and the odd part  $\varphi_{od}$  and both them are  $\mathcal{R}$ -invariant. Moreover,  $\Xi(\varphi) = \Xi(\varphi_{ev}) \oplus \Xi(\varphi_{od})$  and hence

$$H^*(\mathcal{R}; \Xi(\varphi)) = H^*(\mathcal{R}; \Xi(\varphi_{ev})) \oplus H^*(\mathcal{R}; \Xi(\varphi_{od})) = H^*(\mathcal{R}; \Xi(\varphi_{od})).$$

**Proposition 6.9.**  $H^3(\mathcal{R}; \Xi(\varphi_{od})) = 0$ .

*Proof.* By 6.1 and 2.5 we need to prove that for each 2-stubborn subgroup  $P \subseteq G$  we have  $\Lambda^3(W_G(P); \Xi(\varphi_{od})(G/P)) = 0$ . If  $P \notin \{L_0, M_0\}$ , then  $\text{Adim}_2(\text{Aut}_{\mathcal{R}}(G/P)) < 3$  and the conclusion is obvious. By 4.10 for  $P = L_0, M_0$  there is an element of order 2 in  $W_G(P)$  which acts trivially on the set of odd representations of  $P$ . Finally, [7, 6.1.ii] implies  $\Lambda^*(W_G(P); \Xi(\varphi_{od})(P)) = 0$  for  $* > 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 6.10.** *Any  $\mathcal{R}$ -invariant representation of  $\tilde{N}_1^\infty$  extends to a homotopy representation of  $\tilde{G}$ .*

*Proof.* It follows from 6.1, 6.9 and 2.5.  $\square$

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