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ON THE COHOMOLOGY RING OF THE INFINITE FLAG MANIFOLD LG/T

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Abstract

In this work, we discuss the calculation of cohomology rings of LG/T . First we describe the root system and Weyl group of LG , then we give some homotopy equivalences on the loop groups and homogeneous spaces, and investigate the cohomology ring structures of LSU_2/T and ΩSU_2 . Also we prove that BGG-type operators correspond to partial derivation operators on the divided power algebras.

1. Introduction

In [10], Kumar described the Schubert classes which are the dual to the closures of the Bruhat cells in the flag varieties of the Kač-Moody groups associated to the infinite dimensional Kač-Moody algebras. These classes are indexed by affine Weyl groups and can be chosen as elements of integral cohomologies of the homogeneous space $\widehat{L}_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/\widehat{B}$ for any compact simply connected semi-simple Lie group G . Later, S. Kumar and B. Kostant gave explicit cup product formulas of these classes in the cohomology algebras by using the relation between the invariant-theoretic relative Lie algebra cohomology theory (using the representation module of the nilpotent part) with the purely nil-Hecke

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rings [9]. These explicit product formulas involve some BGG-type operators A^i and reflections. Using some homotopy equivalences, we determine cohomology ring structures of LG/T where LG is the smooth loop space on G . Here, as an example we calculate the products and explicit ring structure of LSU_2/T using these ideas.

Note that these results grew out a chapter of the author's thesis [12].

2. The root system, Weyl group and Cartan matrix of the loop group LG .

We know from compact simply-connected semi-simple Lie theory that the complexified Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ of the compact Lie group G has a decomposition under the adjoint action of the maximal torus T of G . Then, from [6], we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.1. *There is a decomposition*

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}} \bigoplus_{\alpha} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha},$$

where $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is the complexified Lie algebra of T , and

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} = \{\xi \in \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} : \mathfrak{t} \cdot \xi = \alpha(\mathfrak{t})\xi \forall \mathfrak{t} \in \mathfrak{T}\}.$$

The homomorphisms $\alpha : T \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ for which $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \neq \mathbf{0}$ are called the *roots* of G . They form a finite subset of the lattice $\check{T} = \text{Hom}(T, \mathbb{T})$. By analogy, the complexified Lie algebra $L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ of the loop group LG has a decomposition

$$L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} \cdot \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{k}}$$

where $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is the complexified Lie algebra of G . This is the decomposition into eigenspaces of the rotation action of the circle group \mathbb{T} on the loops. The rotation action commutes with the adjoint action of the constant loops G , and from [13], we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.2. *There is a decomposition of $L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ under the action of the maximal torus T of G ,*

$$L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbf{0}} \cdot \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{k}} \oplus \bigoplus_{(\mathbf{k}, \alpha)} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{k}}.$$

The pieces in this decomposition are indexed by homomorphisms

$$(k, \alpha) : \mathbb{T} \times T \rightarrow \mathbb{T}.$$

The homomorphisms $(k, \alpha) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \check{T}$ which occur in the decomposition are called the *roots* of LG .

definition 2.3. *The set of roots is called the root system of LG and denoted by $\widehat{\Delta}$.*

Let δ be $(0, 1)$. Then

$$\widehat{\Delta} = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (\Delta \cup \{0\} + k\delta) = \Delta \cup \{0\} + \mathbb{Z}\delta,$$

where Δ is the root system of G . The root system $\widehat{\Delta}$ is the union of real roots and imaginary roots:

$$\widehat{\Delta} = \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}} \cup \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}} &= \{(\alpha, n) : \alpha \in \Delta, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}} &= \{(0, r) : r \in \mathbb{Z}\}. \end{aligned}$$

definition 2.4. *Let the rank of G be l . Then, the set of simple roots of LG is*

$$\{(\alpha_i, 0) : \alpha_i \in \Sigma \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq l\} \cup \{(-\alpha_{l+1}, 1)\},$$

where α_{l+1} is the highest weight of the adjoint representation of G .

The root system $\widehat{\Delta}$ can be divided into three parts as the positive and the negative and 0:

$$\widehat{\Delta} = \widehat{\Delta}^+ \cup \{0\} \cup \widehat{\Delta}^-$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\Delta}^+ &= \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^+ \cup \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^+, \\ \widehat{\Delta}^- &= \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^- \cup \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^-, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^+ &= \{(\alpha, n) \in \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}} : n > 0\} \cup \{(\alpha, 0) : \alpha \in \Delta^+\}, \\ \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^+ &= \{n\delta : n > 0\}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^- &= -\widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^+, \\ \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^- &= -\widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^+.\end{aligned}$$

Now, we will give some examples. First, we will discuss the case of SU_2 . The root system $\widehat{\Delta}$ of the loop group $LSU(2)$ has two basis elements $\mathbf{a}_0 = (-\alpha, \mathbf{1})$ and $\mathbf{a}_1 = (\alpha, \mathbf{0})$ where α is the simple root of SU_2 . All roots of LSU_2 can be written as a sum of the simple roots \mathbf{a}_0 and \mathbf{a}_1 .

Proposition 2.5. *The set of roots of LSU_2 is given by $\widehat{\Delta} = \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}} \cup \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}$ where*

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}} &= \{k\mathbf{a}_0 + l\mathbf{a}_1 : |k - l| = 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}, \\ \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}} &= \{k\mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{k}\mathbf{a}_1 : \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}\}.\end{aligned}$$

corollary 2.6. *The set of positive roots of LSU_2 is given by*

$$\widehat{\Delta}^+ = \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^+ \cup \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^+ \text{ where}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}^+ &= \{k\mathbf{a}_0 + l\mathbf{a}_1 : |k - l| = 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} = \{(\alpha, r), (-\alpha, s) : r \geq 0, s > 0\}, \\ \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{im}}^+ &= \{k\mathbf{a}_0 + k\mathbf{a}_1 : k \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} . \end{aligned}$$

In the case of LSU_n , for $n \geq 3$, the root system $\widehat{\Delta}$ of the loop group LSU_n has basis elements $\mathbf{a}_0 = (-\alpha_0, \mathbf{1})$ and $\mathbf{a}_i = (\alpha_i, \mathbf{0})$, $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ where α_i is the simple root of SU_n and $\alpha_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i$. All roots of LSU_n can be written as a sum of the simple roots \mathbf{a}_i .

Theorem 2.7. (see [8])

The set of roots of LSU_n , for $n \geq 3$, is

$$\widehat{\Delta} = \{k \sum_{r=0}^{i-1} \mathbf{a}_r + l \sum_{r=i}^{j-1} \mathbf{a}_r + k \sum_{r=j}^{n-1} \mathbf{a}_r : |k - l| = 1, k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \mathbf{0} \leq i \leq j \leq n\}.$$

Corollary 2.8. The set of positive roots of LSU_n , for $n \geq 3$, is

$$\widehat{\Delta}^+ = \{k \sum_{r=0}^{i-1} \mathbf{a}_r + l \sum_{r=i}^{j-1} \mathbf{a}_r + k \sum_{r=j}^{n-1} \mathbf{a}_r : |k - l| = 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ and } \mathbf{0} \leq i \leq j \leq n\}.$$

Now, we will discuss the Weyl group of the loop group LG . In order to define this group, we need a larger group structure. We define the semi-direct product $\mathbb{T} \ltimes LG$ of \mathbb{T} and LG in which \mathbb{T} acts on LG by the rotation. From [13], we have the following two theorems.

Theorem 2.9. $\mathbb{T} \times T$ is a maximal abelian subgroup of $\mathbb{T} \ltimes LG$.

Theorem 2.10. The complexified Lie algebra of $\mathbb{T} \ltimes LG$ has a decomposition

$$(\mathbb{C} \oplus \mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}}) \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{k \neq 0} \mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}} \cdot \mathbf{z}^k \oplus \bigoplus_{(\mathbf{k}, \alpha)} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{k}}, \right)$$

according to the characters of $\mathbb{T} \times T$.

We know that the roots of G are permuted by the Weyl group W . This is the group of automorphisms of the maximal torus T which arise from conjugation in G , i.e. $W = N(T)/T$, where

$$N(T) = \{n \in G : nTn^{-1} = T\}$$

is the normalizer of T in G . In exactly same way, the infinite set of roots of LG is permuted by the Weyl group $\widetilde{W} = N(\mathbb{T} \times T)/(\mathbb{T} \times T)$, where $N(\mathbb{T} \times T)$ is the normalizer in $\mathbb{T} \times LG$. The Weyl group \widetilde{W} which was defined above is called the *affine Weyl group*.

Proposition 2.11. *The affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} is the semidirect product of the coweight lattice $T^\vee = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{T}, T)$ by the Weyl group W of G .*

We know that the Weyl group W of G acts on the Lie algebra of the maximal torus T , it is a finite group of isometries of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{t} of the maximal torus T . It preserves the coweight lattice T^\vee . For each simple root α , the Weyl group W contains an element r_α of order two represented by $\exp\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(e_\alpha + e_{-\alpha})\right)$ in $N(T)$. Since the roots α can be considered as the linear functionals on the Lie algebra \mathfrak{t} of the maximal torus T , the action of r_α on \mathfrak{t} is given by

$$r_\alpha(\xi) = \xi - \alpha(\xi)h_\alpha \text{ for } \xi \in \mathfrak{t},$$

where h_α is the coroot in \mathfrak{t} corresponding to simple root α . Also, we can give the action of r_α on the roots by

$$r_\alpha(\beta) = \beta - \alpha(h_\beta)\alpha \text{ for } \alpha, \beta \in \mathfrak{t}^*,$$

where \mathfrak{t}^* is the dual vector space of \mathfrak{t} . The element r_α is the reflection in the hyperplane H_α of \mathfrak{t} whose equation is $\alpha(\xi) = 0$. These reflections r_α generate the Weyl group W . For the special unitary matrix group SU_2 , we have only one simple root α with corresponding reflection r_α which generates the Weyl group of SU_2 and $W \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$. More generally, we have from [7] this theorem:

Theorem 2.12. *The Weyl group of SU_n is the symmetric group S_n .*

Now, we want to describe the Weyl group structure of LG . By analogy with \mathbb{R} for real form, the roots of the loop group LG can be considered as linear forms on the Lie algebra $\mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{t}$ of the maximal abelian group $\mathbb{T} \times T$. The Weyl group \widetilde{W} acts linearly on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathfrak{t}$, the action of W is an obvious reflection in the affine hyperplane $1 \times \mathfrak{t}$ and the action of $\lambda \in T^\vee$ is given by

$$\lambda \cdot (x, \xi) = (x, \xi + x\lambda).$$

Thus, the Weyl group \widetilde{W} preserves the hyperplane $1 \times \mathfrak{h}$, and $\lambda \in \check{T}$ acts on it by translation by the vector $\lambda \in T^\vee \subset \mathfrak{t}$. If $\alpha \neq 0$, the affine hyperplane $H_{\alpha,k}$ can be defined as follows. For each root (α, k) ,

$$H_{\alpha,k} = \{\xi \in \mathfrak{t} : \alpha(\xi) = -k\}.$$

We know that the Weyl group W of G is generated by the reflections r_α in the hyperplanes H_α for the simple roots α . A corresponding statement holds for the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} .

Proposition 2.13 *Let G be a simply-connected semi-simple compact Lie group. Then the Weyl group \widetilde{W} of the loop group LG is generated by the reflections in the hyperplanes $H_{\alpha,k}$. The affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} acts on the root system $\widehat{\Delta}$ by*

$$r_{(\alpha,k)}(\gamma, m) = (r_\alpha(\gamma), m - \alpha(h_\gamma)k) \text{ for } (\alpha, k), (\gamma, m) \in \widehat{\Delta}.$$

Proposition 2.14 *The Weyl group \widetilde{W} of LSU_2 is*

$$\widetilde{W} = \{(r_{\mathfrak{a}_0} r_{\mathfrak{a}_1})^k, (r_{\mathfrak{a}_0} r_{\mathfrak{a}_1})^k r_{\mathfrak{a}_0}, (r_{\mathfrak{a}_1} r_{\mathfrak{a}_0})^k, (r_{\mathfrak{a}_1} r_{\mathfrak{a}_0})^k r_{\mathfrak{a}_1} : k \geq 0, r_{\mathfrak{a}_0}^2 = r_{\mathfrak{a}_1}^2 = Id\}.$$

Proposition 2.15 *The Weyl group of LSU_n is the semi-direct product $S_n \ltimes \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}$ where S_n acts by permutation action on coordinates of \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} .*

Actually the symmetric group S_n acts on \mathbb{Z}^n by the permutation action. \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} is the fixed subgroup which corresponds to the eigen-value action. From [5], we have

Theorem 2.16 *The affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} of LG is a Coxeter group.*

We will give some properties of the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} .

Definition 2.17 *The length of an element $w \in \widetilde{W}$ is the least number of factors in the decomposition relative to the set of the reflections $\{r_{\mathbf{a}_i}\}$, is denoted by $\ell(w)$.*

Definition 2.18 *Let $w_1, w_2 \in \widetilde{W}, \gamma \in \Delta_{\text{re}}^+$. Then $w_1 \xrightarrow{\gamma} w_2$ indicates the fact that*

$$\begin{aligned} r_\gamma w_1 &= w_2, \\ \ell(w_2) &= \ell(w_1) + 1. \end{aligned}$$

We put $w \leq w'$ if there is a chain

$$w = w_1 \rightarrow w_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow w_k = w'.$$

The relation \leq is called the Bruhat order on the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} .

Proposition 2.19 *Let $w \in \widetilde{W}$ and let $w = r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_2} \dots r_{\mathbf{a}_l}$ be the reduced decomposition of w . If $1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq l$ and $w' = r_{\mathbf{a}_{i_1}} r_{\mathbf{a}_{i_2}} \dots r_{\mathbf{a}_{i_k}}$, then $w' \leq w$. If $w' \leq w$, then w' can be represented as above for some indexing set $\{i_\xi\}$. If $w' \rightarrow w$, then there is a unique index $i, 1 \leq i \leq l$ such that*

$$w' = r_{\mathbf{a}_1} \dots r_{\mathbf{a}_{i-1}} r_{\mathbf{a}_{i+1}}.$$

The last proposition gives an alternative definition of the Bruhat ordering on \widetilde{W} . Now we will define the subset \widehat{W} of the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} which will be used in the text later. We know that the Weyl group \widetilde{W} of the loop group LG is a split extension $T^\vee \rightarrow \widetilde{W} \rightarrow W$, where W is the Weyl group of the compact group Lie group G . Since the Weyl group W is a sub-Coxeter system of the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} , we can define the set of cosets \widetilde{W}/W .

Lemma 2.20 *The subgroup of \widetilde{W} fixing 0 is the Weyl group W .*

Corollary 2.21. *Let $w, w' \in \widetilde{W}$. Then, $w(0) = w'(0)$ if and only if $wW = w'W$ in \widetilde{W}/W .*

By the last corollary, the map $\widetilde{W}/W \rightarrow T^\vee$ given by $wW \rightarrow w(0)$ is well-defined and has inverse map given by $\chi_i \rightarrow r_{\alpha_i}W$, so the coset set \widetilde{W}/W is identified to T^\vee as set. We have from [1],

Theorem 2.22. *Each coset in \widetilde{W}/W has a unique element of the minimal length.*

We will write $\overline{\ell(w)}$ for the minimal length element occuring in the coset wW , for $w \in \widetilde{W}$. We see that each coset $wW, w \in \widetilde{W}$ has two distinguished representatives which are not in the general the same. Let the subset \widehat{W} of the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} be the set of the minimal representative elements $\overline{\ell(w)}$ in the coset wW for each $w \in \widetilde{W}$. The subset \widehat{W} has the Bruhat order since it identifies the set of the minimal representative elements $\overline{\ell(w)}$. As a example, we calculate the subset \widehat{W} of the Weyl group of LSU_2 . Our aim is to find the minimal representative elements $\overline{\ell(w)}$ in the right coset wW for each the element $w \in \widetilde{W}$, where

$$\widetilde{W} = \{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^k, (r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_0}, (r_{\mathbf{a}_1}r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^m, (r_{\mathbf{a}_1}r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1} : k, l, m, n \geq 0, r_{\mathbf{a}_0}^2 = r_{\mathbf{a}_1}^2 = \text{id}\},$$

and $W = \langle r_{\mathbf{a}_1}; r_{\mathbf{a}_1}^2 = \text{id} \rangle$. We have the minimal representative elements $\overline{\ell(w)}$ for each coset $wW, w \in \widetilde{W}$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\ell((r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^k)} &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^k \quad \text{for } k \geq 0 \\ \overline{\ell((r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_0})} &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_0} \quad \text{for } l \geq 0 \\ \overline{\ell((r_{\mathbf{a}_1}r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1})} &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n \quad \text{for } n \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\overline{\ell((r_{\mathbf{a}_1}r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^m)} = \begin{cases} \text{Id} & \text{for } m = 0 \\ (r_{\mathbf{a}_0}r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{m-1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0} & \text{for } m > 0 \end{cases}$$

By the transformations $m - 1, l$ and $k \rightarrow n$, we have the subset

$$\widehat{W} = \{\overline{\ell(w)} : w \in \widetilde{W}\} = \{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n, (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0} : n \geq 0\}.$$

Now we will describe the Lie algebra $L_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ and its universal central extension in terms of generators and relations. For a finite dimensional semi-simple Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$, we can choose a non-zero element e_{α} in \mathfrak{g}_{α} for each root α . From [6], we have

Theorem 2.23. $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is a Kač-Moody Lie algebra generated by $e_i = e_{\alpha_i}$ and $f_i = e_{-\alpha_i}$ for $i = 1, \dots, l$ where the α_i are the simple roots and l is the rank of $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ only if G is semi-simple.

Let us choose generators e_j and f_j of $L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ corresponding to simple affine roots. Since $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} \subset L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$, we can take

$$e_j = \begin{cases} ze_{-\alpha_0} & \text{for } j = 0, \\ e_i & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq l \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_j = \begin{cases} z^{-1}e_{\alpha_0} & \text{for } j = 0, \\ f_i & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq l \end{cases}$$

where α_0 is the highest root of the adjoint representation. From [13],

Theorem 2.24. Let $\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ be a semi-simple Lie algebra. Then, $L_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is generated by the elements e_j and f_j corresponding to simple affine roots.

The Cartan matrix $A_{(l+1) \times (l+1)}$ of $L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ has the Cartan integers $a_{ij} = \mathbf{a}_j(\mathbf{h}_{\mathbf{a}_i})$ as the entries where $\mathbf{a}_0 = -\alpha_0$, and $\mathbf{a}_j = \alpha_j$ if $1 \leq j \leq l$. As an example,

Theorem 2.25. Let $G = SU_2$. The Cartan matrix $A_{2 \times 2}$ of $L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is the symmetric matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Although the relations of the Kač-Moody algebra hold in $L_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$, they do not define it. By a theorem of Gabber and Kač in [2], the relations define the universal central extension $\widehat{L}_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ of $L_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ by \mathbb{C} which is described by the cocycle ω_K given by

$$\omega_K(\xi, \eta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sigma(\xi(\theta), \eta'(\theta)) d\theta.$$

As a vector space $\widehat{L}_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is $L_{\text{pol}}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ and the bracket is given by

$$[(\xi, \lambda), (\eta, \mu)] = ([\xi, \eta], \omega_K(\xi, \eta)).$$

Theorem 2.26. $\widehat{L}\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is an affine Kač-Moody algebra.

3.1. Some homotopy equivalences for the loop group LG and its homogeneous spaces.

From [3], we have

Theorem 3.1. *The compact group G is a deformation retract of $G_{\mathbb{C}}$ and so, the loop space LG is homotopic to the complexified loop space $LG_{\mathbb{C}}$.*

Now, we want to give a major result from [13]

Theorem 3.2. *The inclusion*

$$\iota : L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow LG_{\mathbb{C}}$$

is a homotopy equivalence.

Now we will give some useful notations. The parabolic subgroup P of $L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}$ is the set of maps $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{C}}$ which have non-negative Laurent series expansions. Then $P = G_{\mathbb{C}}[z]$. The minimal parabolic subgroup B is the Iwahori subgroup

$$\{f \in P : f(0) \in \overline{B}\},$$

where \overline{B} is the finite-dimensional Borel subgroup of G . Note also that the minimal parabolic subgroup B corresponds to the positive roots, the parabolic subgroup P to the roots (α, n) with $n \geq 0$. From [3],

Theorem 3.3. *The evaluation at zero map $e_0 : P \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{C}}$ is a homotopy equivalence with the homotopy inverse the inclusion of $G_{\mathbb{C}}$ as the constant loops.*

The following fact follows from the local rigidity of the trivial bundle on the projective line. From [4], we have

Theorem 3.4. *The projection*

$$L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/P$$

is a principal bundle with fiber P .

Now, as a consequence of Theorem 3.2, Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 3.3, we have

Theorem 3.5. *$\Omega G_{\mathbb{C}}$ is homotopy equivalent to $L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/P$.*

Theorem 3.6. *(see [11]) The homogeneous space*

$$L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/P = \coprod_{w \in \tilde{W}/W} BwP/P.$$

Corollary 3.7. *The homogeneous space*

$$L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/B = \coprod_{w \in \tilde{W}} BwB/B.$$

By a theorem of [13], we have an isomorphism

Theorem 3.8.

$$H^*(LG/T; \mathbb{C}) \cong H^*(Lg_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathfrak{t}_{\mathbb{C}}; \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbf{H}^*(\widehat{L}g_{\mathbb{C}}, \widehat{\mathfrak{t}}_{\mathbb{C}}; \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbf{H}^*(\widehat{L}_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/\widehat{B}; \mathbb{C}).$$

By Theorem 3.8, the \mathbb{Z} -cohomology ring of LG/T generated by the strata can be calculated using a corollary of [9]. In the next section, we will work at an example.

4. Cohomology rings of the homogeneous spaces ΩSU_2 and LSU_2/T .

In order to determine the integral cohomology ring of LSU_2/T , we need some calculations in the integral cohomology of LSU_2/T .

Theorem 4.1. *For $n \geq 0$, the action of affine Weyl group of LSU_2 on the real root system is given by*

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s + 2n); \tag{4.1}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r - 2n), \tag{4.2}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(-\alpha, s) = (\alpha, s - 2n - 2); \tag{4.3}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(\alpha, r) = (-\alpha, r + 2n + 2), \tag{4.4}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s - 2n); \tag{4.5}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r + 2n), \tag{4.6}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(-\alpha, s) = (\alpha, s + 2n); \tag{4.7}$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(\alpha, r) = (-\alpha, r - 2n). \tag{4.8}$$

Proof. First, by induction on n , we shall show that

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s + 2n)$$

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r - 2n),$$

for $(-\alpha, s), (\alpha, r) \in \widehat{\Delta}_{\text{re}}$. The case $n = 0$ is trivially true.

Now, we assume that the equations Eq.(4.1) and Eq.(4.2) hold for $n = l$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{l+1}(-\alpha, s) &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l(-\alpha, s) \\ &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})(-\alpha, s + 2l) \\ &= r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(\alpha, s + 2l) \\ &= (-\alpha, s + 2(l + 1)), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{l+1}(\alpha, r) &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l(\alpha, r) \\
 &= (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})(\alpha, r - 2l) \\
 &= r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(-\alpha, r - 2l) \\
 &= (\alpha, r - 2(l + 1)).
 \end{aligned}$$

This means that Equations Eq(4.1) and Eq(4.2) hold for any $n \geq 0$.

Since $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1} = r_{\mathbf{a}_1} (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n$, we can find easily the action of the reflection $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ on the real root system.

Then, we have Equation Eq.(4.7) and Eq.(4.8),

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(-\alpha, s) = r_{\mathbf{a}_1} (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(-\alpha, s) = r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(-\alpha, s + 2n) = (\alpha, s + 2n),$$

and

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(\alpha, r) = r_{\mathbf{a}_1} (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(\alpha, r) = r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(\alpha, r - 2n) = (-\alpha, r - 2n).$$

Since $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n$ is inverse of $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n$, the action of $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n$ on the real root system is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(\alpha, r) &= (\alpha, r + 2n) \\
 (r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(-\alpha, s) &= (-\alpha, s - 2n).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, since $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0} = r_{\mathbf{a}_0} (r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n$, the action of $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$ on the real root system is given by

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(\alpha, r) = r_{\mathbf{a}_0} (r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(\alpha, r) = r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(\alpha, r + 2n) = (-\alpha, r + 2n + 2),$$

and

$$(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(-\alpha, s) = r_{\mathbf{a}_0} (r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(-\alpha, s) = r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(-\alpha, s - 2n) = (\alpha, s - 2n - 2).$$

□

Corollary 4.2. *Let (α, u) and $(-\alpha, v)$, $u \geq 0, v > 0$, be real positive roots of LSU_2 . For $n \geq 0$,*

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(-\alpha, s) = (\alpha, s + 2n + 2u); \quad (4.9)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(\alpha, r) = (-\alpha, r - 2n - 2u), \quad (4.10)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s - 2n - 2u - 2); \quad (4.11)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r + 2n + 2u + 2), \quad (4.12)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(-\alpha, s) = (\alpha, s - 2n + 2u); \quad (4.13)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(\alpha, r) = (-\alpha, r + 2n - 2u), \quad (4.14)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s + 2n - 2u); \quad (4.15)$$

$$r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r - 2n + 2u), \quad (4.16)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(-\alpha, s) = (\alpha, s + 2n - 2v); \quad (4.17)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n(\alpha, r) = (-\alpha, r - 2n + 2v), \quad (4.18)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s - 2n + 2v - 2); \quad (4.19)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r + 2n - 2v + 2), \quad (4.20)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(-\alpha, s) = (\alpha, s - 2n - 2v); \quad (4.21)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n(\alpha, r) = (-\alpha, r + 2n + 2v), \quad (4.22)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(-\alpha, s) = (-\alpha, s + 2n + 2v); \quad (4.23)$$

$$r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}(\alpha, r) = (\alpha, r - 2n - 2v). \quad (4.24)$$

Theorem 4.3. *For $k \geq 0$, the following equations hold in $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$.*

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2k} = (2k)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^k}, \quad (4.25)$$

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2k} = (2k)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^k}, \quad (4.26)$$

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2k+1} = (2k+1)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^k r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}, \quad (4.27)$$

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2k+1} = (2k+1)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^k r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}, \quad (4.28)$$

Proof. By induction on k , we will show that these equations hold in $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$. For $k = 0$, these equations hold.

Now, we assume that these equations hold for $k = n$. Then, we have to show that they hold for $k = n + 1$. By assumption,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+2} &= (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+1} \\ &= (2n+1)! \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+2} = (2n+1)! \sum_{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0} \xrightarrow{\gamma} w} \chi_0(h_\gamma) \varepsilon^w.$$

When we check the action of the reflections which have length $2n+2$, by the action of $r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$ and $r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$ on the real root system, we see that the sum in the right side of the last cup product equation holds the only for the positive root

$$(-\alpha, 2n+2) = (2n+2)\mathbf{a}_0 + (2n+1)\mathbf{a}_1.$$

Then,

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+2} = (2n+2)! \varepsilon^{r_{(-\alpha, 2n+2)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}.$$

The composition of reflections $r_{(-\alpha, 2n+2)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$ can be represented by the Weyl group element $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}$, so

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+2} = (2n+2)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}}.$$

If we continue the induction for equation Eq.(4.27), by assumption,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+3} &= (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+2} \\ &= (2n+2)! \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+3} = (2n+2)! \sum_{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1} \xrightarrow{\gamma} w} \chi_0(h_\gamma) \varepsilon^w.$$

When we check the action of the reflections which have length $2n+3$, by the action of $r_{(\alpha, w)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}$ and $r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}$ on the real root system, we see that the sum in the right side of the last cup product equation holds only for the positive root

$$(-\alpha, 2n+3) = (2n+3)\mathbf{a}_0 + (2n+2)\mathbf{a}_1.$$

Then,

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+3} = (2n+3)! \varepsilon^{r_{(-\alpha, 2n+3)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}}.$$

The composition of reflections $r_{(-\alpha, 2n+3)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1}$ can be represented by the Weyl group element $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$, so

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2n+3} = (2n+3)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n+1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}.$$

Thus, we have proved that the equations Eq.(4.25) and Eq.(4.27) hold in $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$.

Similarly, by assumption,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+2} &= (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+1} \\ &= (2n+1)! \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+2} = (2n+1)! \sum_{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1} \xrightarrow{\gamma} w} \chi_1(h_\gamma) \varepsilon^w.$$

When we check the action of the reflections which have length $2n+2$, by the action of $r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ and $r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ on the real root system, we see that the sum in the right side of the last cup product equation holds the only for the positive root

$$(\alpha, 2n+1) = (2n+1)\mathbf{a}_0 + (2n+2)\mathbf{a}_1.$$

Then,

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+2} = (2n+2)! \varepsilon^{r_{(\alpha, 2n+1)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}.$$

The composition of reflections $r_{(\alpha, 2n+1)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ can be represented by the Weyl group element $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}$, so

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+2} = (2n+2)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}}.$$

If we continue the induction for equation Eq.(4.28),

$$\begin{aligned} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+3} &= (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+2} \\ &= (2n+2)! \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+3} = (2n+2)! \sum_{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1} \xrightarrow{\gamma} w} \chi_1(h_\gamma) \varepsilon^w.$$

When we check the action of the reflections which have length $2n+3$, by the action of $r_{(\alpha, w)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}$ and $r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}$ on the real root system, we see that the sum in the right side of the last cup product equation holds the only for the positive root

$$(\alpha, 2n+2) = (2n+2)\mathbf{a}_0 + (2n+3)\mathbf{a}_1.$$

Then,

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+3} = (2n+3)! \varepsilon^{r_{(\alpha, 2n+2)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}}.$$

The composition of reflections $r_{(\alpha, 2n+2)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1}$ can be represented by the Weyl group element $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1} r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$, so

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2n+3} = (2n+3)! \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n+1} r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}.$$

So, the induction is completed and we have proved that all equations hold in $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$. \square

We will make another calculation in the integral cohomology algebra of LSU_2/T .

Theorem 4.4. For $n, m \geq 0$, the following equation holds in $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$.

$$(n + m)(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^n \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^m = n(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+m} + m(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+m}.$$

Proof. By induction on m , we shall prove that the result holds in $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$. Since the integral cohomology ring of LSU_2/T is torsion-free, the integral cohomology ring can be embedded in the rational cohomology ring hence the calculations can be done in the rational cohomology. For $m = 0$, the equation obviously holds.

First, we will verify the equation for $m = 1$. For $m = 1$, the equation reduces to

$$(n + 1)(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^n \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) = n(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+1} + (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+1}. \quad (4.29)$$

Now, we will use sub-induction with respect to n on the equation Eq.(4.29). The equation Eq.(4.29) obviously holds for $n = 0$.

Now, we assume that equation Eq.(4.29) holds for $n = k$. We verify that equation Eq.(4.29) holds for $n = k + 1$. By the induction hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+1} &= (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^k) \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \\ &= \left(\frac{k}{k+1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+1} + \frac{1}{k+1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} \right) \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \\ &= \frac{k}{k+1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.30)$$

Now, we calculate the cup product

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}$$

in the above equation. We now treat the case k odd or even separately. If $k = 2l - 1$, by equation Eq.(4.26),

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l} = (2l)! \left(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l} \right). \quad (4.31)$$

By the cup product formula,

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l} = \sum_{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l \xrightarrow{\gamma} w} \chi_0(h_\gamma) \varepsilon^w.$$

When we check the action of reflections $r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{l1}$ and $r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l$ by the action of the Weyl group elements $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ and $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$ which has length $2l + 1$, we see that the reflections $r_{(-\alpha, 1)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l$ and $r_{(\alpha, 2l)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l$ can be represented by the Weyl group elements $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_0}$ and $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ respectively. Using the positive root $(\alpha, 2l) = (2l) \mathbf{a}_0 + (2l + 1) \mathbf{a}_1$ in the cup product formula,

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l} = \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} + (2l) \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}. \quad (4.32)$$

By equations Eq.(4.27) and Eq.(4.28),

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l} = \frac{1}{(2l + 1)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2l+1} + \frac{2l}{(2l + 1)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+1}. \quad (4.33)$$

When the last result is placed in the equation Eq.(4.31), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l} &= (2l)! \left(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l} \right) \\ &= (2l)! \left(\frac{1}{(2l + 1)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2l+1} + \frac{2l}{(2l + 1)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2l + 1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2l+1} + \frac{2l}{2l + 1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Using $k = 2l - 1$, we have

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} = \frac{1}{k + 2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{k + 1}{k + 2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2}. \quad (4.34)$$

When the last result is placed in equation Eq.(4.30), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+1} &= \frac{k}{k + 1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k + 1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \\ &= \frac{k}{k + 1} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k + 1} \left(\frac{1}{k + 2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{k + 1}{k + 2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(\frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \right) (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2} \\
 &= \frac{k+1}{k+2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $k = 2l$, by the equation Eq.(4.28),

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+1} = (2l+1)! \left((\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) \right). \quad (4.35)$$

By the cup product formula,

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) = \sum_{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1} \xrightarrow{\gamma} w} \chi_0(h_\gamma) \varepsilon^w.$$

When we check the action of reflections $r_{(\alpha, u)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ and $r_{(-\alpha, v)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ by the action of the Weyl group elements $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{l+1}$ and $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{l+1}$, which has length $2l+2$, we see that the reflections $r_{(-\alpha, 1)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ and $r_{(\alpha, 2l+1)}(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}$ can be represented by the Weyl group elements $(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{l+1}$ and $(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{l+1}$ respectively. Using the positive root $(\alpha, 2l+1) = (2l+1)\mathbf{a}_0 + (2l+2)\mathbf{a}_1$, we have

$$(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}) \cdot (\varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) = \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{l+1}} + (2l+1) \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{l+1}}. \quad (4.36)$$

By equations Eq.(4.25) and Eq.(4.26),

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} = \frac{1}{(2l+2)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2l+2} + \frac{2l+1}{(2l+2)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+2}. \quad (4.37)$$

When the last result is placed in the equation Eq.(4.35), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+1} &= (2l+1)! \left(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^l r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}) \right) \\
 &= (2l+1)! \left(\frac{1}{(2l+2)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2l+2} + \frac{2l+1}{(2l+2)!} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2l+2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{2l+2} + \frac{2l+1}{2l+2} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{2l+2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using $k = 2l$, we have

$$\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} = \frac{1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{k+1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2}. \quad (4.38)$$

When the last result is placed in the equation Eq.(4.30), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+1} &= \frac{k}{k+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+1} \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} \\ &= \frac{k}{k+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+1} \left(\frac{1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{k+1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \right) (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2} \\ &= \frac{k+1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+2}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{k+2}. \end{aligned}$$

The induction on n is completed. Thus, we proved that the equation holds for $m = 1$.

We assume that equation holds for $m = s$. Then, we will verify that it holds for $m = s + 1$. By assumption,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^n \cdot (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{s+1} &= \left(\frac{n}{n+s}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+s} + \frac{s}{n+s}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s} \right) \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} \\ &= \frac{n}{n+s}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+s} \cdot \varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} + \frac{s}{n+s}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s+1} \\ &= \frac{n}{n+s} \left(\frac{n+s}{n+s+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+s+1} + \frac{1}{n+s+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s+1} \right) + \\ &\quad \frac{s}{n+s}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s+1} \\ &= \frac{n}{n+s+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+s+1} + \left(\frac{n}{(n+s)(n+s+1)} + \frac{s}{n+s} \right) (\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s+1} \\ &= \frac{n}{n+s+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+s+1} + \frac{s^2 + s(n+1) + n}{(n+s)(n+s+1)}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s+1} \\ &= \frac{n}{n+s+1}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_0}})^{n+s+1} + \frac{s+1}{(n+s+1)}(\varepsilon^{r_{\mathbf{a}_1}})^{n+s+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the induction is completed. \square

Let R be a commutative ring with unit and let $\Gamma_R(x_0, x_1)$ be the divided power algebra over R , where $\deg x_0 = \deg x_1 = 2$.

Theorem 4.5. *Then, $H^*(LSU_2/T, R)$ is graded isomorphic to $\Gamma_R(x_0, x_1)/I_R$ where the ideal I_R is given by*

$$I_R = \left(x_0^{[n]} x_1^{[m]} - \binom{n+m-1}{m} x_0^{[n+m]} - \binom{n+m-1}{n} x_1^{[n+m]} : m, n \geq 1 \right),$$

and which has the R -module basis $\{x_0^{[n]}, x_1^{[n]}\}$ in each degree $2n$ for $n \geq 1$.

Proof. Since the odd dimensional cohomology is trivial, by the universal coefficient theorem, it suffices to prove this for $R = \mathbb{Z}$. The Schubert classes $\{\varepsilon^w\}_{w \in \widetilde{W}_{LSU(2)}}$ form a basis of the integral cohomology $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$ such that $\varepsilon^w \in H^{2\ell(w)}(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$. Since the cohomology module basis is indexed by the affine Weyl group \widetilde{W} , the Poincaré series over \mathbb{Z} of cohomology of LSU_2/T is

$$P(t, \mathbb{Z}) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2t^{2k}.$$

Now we will show that the integral cohomology algebra $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$ is isomorphic to the quotient of divided power algebra $\Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(x_0, x_1)/I_{\mathbb{Z}}$. Then, we define a \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism ψ from the divided power algebra $\Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(x_0, x_1)$ to the integral cohomology of LSU_2/T as follows.

For $U = \sum_{i=0}^n u_i x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[n-i]}$ with $u_i \in \mathbb{Z}$, let

$$\psi(U) = u_n X(n) + u_0 Y(n) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[\binom{n-1}{n-i} X(n) + \binom{n-1}{i} Y(n) \right] u_i,$$

where

$$X(n) = \begin{cases} \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^t} & \text{for } n = 2l \\ \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^t r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} & \text{for } n = 2l + 1 \end{cases}$$

$$Y(n) = \begin{cases} \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^t} & \text{for } n = 2l \\ \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^t r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} & \text{for } n = 2l + 1. \end{cases}$$

We will show that ψ is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism. Let

$$U = \sum_{i=0}^n u_i x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[n-i]} \quad V = \sum_{j=0}^m v_j x_0^{[j]} x_1^{[m-j]},$$

where $u_i, v_j \in \mathbb{Z}$. First, let us calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(U) \cdot \psi(V) &= \psi \left(\sum_{i=0}^n u_i x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[n-i]} \right) \cdot \psi \left(\sum_{j=0}^m v_j x_0^{[j]} x_1^{[m-j]} \right) \\ &= \left(u_0 Y(n) + u_n X(n) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} X(n) + \binom{n-1}{i} Y(n) \right] \right) \cdot \\ &\quad \left(v_0 Y(m) + v_m X(m) + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} v_j \left[\binom{m-1}{j-1} X(m) + \binom{m-1}{j} Y(m) \right] \right) \\ &= u_0 v_0 Y(n) Y(m) + u_0 v_m Y(n) X(m) + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_0 v_j \left[\binom{m-1}{j-1} Y(n) X(m) + \binom{m-1}{j} Y(n) Y(m) \right] \\ &\quad + u_n v_0 X(n) Y(m) + u_n v_m X(n) X(m) + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_n v_j \left[\binom{m-1}{j-1} X(n) X(m) + \binom{m-1}{j} X(n) Y(m) \right] \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_0 \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} X(n) Y(m) + \binom{n-1}{i} Y(n) Y(m) \right] + \\ &\quad \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_m \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} X(n) X(m) + \binom{n-1}{i} Y(n) X(m) \right] \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{m-1}{j-1} X(n) X(m) + \binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{m-1}{j} X(n) Y(m) \right] \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \left[\binom{n-1}{i} \binom{m-1}{j-1} Y(n) X(m) + \binom{n-1}{i} \binom{m-1}{j} Y(n) Y(m) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

By equations Eq.(4.25), Eq.(4.26), Eq.(4.27), Eq.(4.28) and Eq.(4.4),

$$\begin{aligned} Y(n)Y(m) &= \binom{n+m}{n} Y(n+m) \\ X(n)X(m) &= \binom{n+m}{n} X(n+m), \end{aligned}$$

$$X(n)Y(m) = \binom{n+m-1}{m} X(n+m) + \binom{n+m-1}{n} Y(n+m)$$

and

$$Y(n)X(m) = \binom{n+m-1}{n} X(n+m) + \binom{n+m-1}{m} Y(n+m).$$

If we put the last results in the equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(U) \cdot \psi(V) = X(n+m) & \left\{ u_0 v_m \binom{m+n-1}{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_0 v_j \binom{m-1}{j-1} \binom{m+n-1}{n} + u_n v_0 \right. \\ & \left. \binom{m+n-1}{m} + u_n v_m \binom{n+m}{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_n v_j \left[\binom{m-1}{j-1} \binom{n+m}{n} + \binom{m-1}{j} \binom{m+n-1}{m} \right] + \right. \\ & \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_0 \binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{m+n-1}{m} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_m \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{n+m}{n} + \binom{n-1}{i} \binom{n+m-1}{n} \right] + \right. \\ & \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{m-1}{j-1} \binom{n+m}{n} + \binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{m-1}{j} \binom{n+m-1}{m} \right] + \right. \\ & \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \left[\binom{n-1}{i} \binom{m-1}{j-1} \binom{n+m-1}{n} \right] \right\} + \\ & Y(n+m) \left\{ u_0 v_0 \binom{n+m}{n} + u_0 v_m \binom{n+m-1}{m} + \right. \\ & \left. \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_0 v_j \left[\binom{m-1}{j-1} \binom{m+n-1}{m} + \binom{m-1}{j} \binom{n+m}{n} \right] + \right. \\ & \left. u_n v_0 \binom{m+n-1}{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_n v_j \binom{m-1}{j} \binom{m+n-1}{n} + \right. \\ & \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_0 \left[\binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{n+m-1}{n} + \binom{n-1}{i} \binom{n+m}{n} \right] \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_m \binom{n-1}{i} \binom{n+m-1}{m} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \binom{n-1}{i-1} \binom{m-1}{j} \binom{n+m-1}{n} + \right. \\ & \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \left[\binom{n-1}{i} \binom{m-1}{j-1} \binom{n+m-1}{m} + \binom{n-1}{i} \binom{m-1}{j} \binom{n+m}{n} \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now expanding,

$$\begin{aligned}
 U \cdot V &= u_0 v_0 \binom{n+m}{n} x_1^{[n+m]} + u_0 v_m x_0^{[m]} x_1^{[n]} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_0 v_j \binom{n+m-j}{n} x_0^{[j]} x_1^{[n+m-j]} \\
 &+ u_n v_0 x_0^{[n]} x_1^{[m]} + u_n v_m \binom{n+m}{n} x_0^{[n+m]} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_n v_j \binom{n+j}{n} x_0^{[n+j]} x_1^{[m-j]} \\
 &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_0 \binom{n+m-i}{m} x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[n+m-i]} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_m \binom{m+i}{i} x_0^{[m+i]} x_1^{[n-i]} \\
 &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{(n+m)-(i+j)}{n-i} x_0^{[i+j]} x_1^{[(n+m)-(i+j)]}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(U \cdot V) &= X(n+m) \left\{ u_0 v_m \binom{n+m-1}{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_0 v_j \binom{n+m-j}{n} \binom{n+m-1}{j-1} + \right. \\
 &u_n v_0 \binom{n+m-1}{m} + u_n v_m \binom{n+m}{n} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_m \binom{m+i}{i} \binom{m+n-1}{n-i} + \\
 &\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_n v_j \binom{n+j}{n} \binom{n+m-1}{m-j} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_0 \binom{n+m-i}{m} \binom{n+m-1}{i-1} \\
 &\left. + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{(n+m)-(i+j)}{n-i} \binom{n+m-1}{i+j-1} \right\} \\
 +Y(n+m) &\left\{ u_0 v_0 \binom{n+m}{n} + u_0 v_m \binom{n+m-1}{m} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_0 v_j \binom{n+m-j}{n} \binom{n+m-1}{j} + \right. \\
 u_n v_0 &\binom{n+m-1}{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_n v_j \binom{n+j}{n} \binom{n+m-1}{n+j} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_0 \binom{n+m-i}{m} \binom{n+m-1}{i} + \\
 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i v_m &\binom{i+m}{i} \binom{m+n-1}{m+i} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} u_i v_j \binom{i+j}{i} \binom{(n+m)-(i+j)}{n-i} \binom{n+m-1}{i+j} \left. \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We show that $\psi(U \cdot V) = \psi(u) \cdot \psi(V)$ for all polynomials U, V . In order to verify this equation, we need the equality of the coefficients of $u_i v_j$ in the both sides of this

equation. We see that the coefficients of $u_i v_j, i = 0, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, \dots, n$ in the both sides of the equation are equal for $X(n+m)$ as well as $Y(n+m)$. Then ψ is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism.

We will show that the \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism ψ is surjective. Because, for every element $aX(n) + bY(n) \in H^{2n}(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$, we have $ax_0^{[n]} + bx_1^{[n]}$ such that $\psi(ax_0^{[n]} + bx_1^{[n]}) = aX(n) + bY(n)$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Now we want to find the kernel of the homomorphism ψ . For $n, m \geq 1$, let

$$u_{n,m} = x_0^{[n]} \cdot x_1^{[m]} - \binom{n+m-1}{m} x_0^{[n+m]} - \binom{n+m-1}{n} x_1^{[n+m]}. \quad (4.39)$$

We claim that the kernel of the homomorphism ψ is equal to the following ideal $I_{\mathbb{Z}}$ generated by the elements $u_{n,m}$.

$$I_{\mathbb{Z}} = \sum_{k \geq 2} I_{\mathbb{Z}}^k,$$

where

$$I_{\mathbb{Z}}^k = \left\{ \sum_{0 < r < k} t_r^k \left(x_0^{[r]} x_1^{[k-r]} - \binom{k-1}{k-r} x_0^{[k]} - \binom{k-1}{r} x_1^{[k]} \right) : t_r^k \in \Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(x_0, x_1) \right\}.$$

Now we will prove that our claim is true. Let $U \in I_{\mathbb{Z}}^k$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(U) &= \psi \left(\sum_{0 < r < k} t_r^k \left(x_0^{[r]} x_1^{[k-r]} - \binom{k-1}{k-r} x_0^{[k]} - \binom{k-1}{r} x_1^{[k]} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{0 < r < k} \psi(t_r^k) \cdot \psi \left(x_0^{[r]} x_1^{[k-r]} - \binom{k-1}{k-r} x_0^{[k]} - \binom{k-1}{r} x_1^{[k]} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\psi(U)$ is equal to

$$\sum_{0 < r < k} \psi(t_r^k) \left(\binom{k-1}{k-r} X(k) + \binom{k-1}{r} Y(k) - \binom{k-1}{k-r} X(k) - \binom{k-1}{r} Y(k) \right).$$

Then $\psi(U) = 0$. So, $U \in \ker \psi$.

Conversely, let $U = \sum_{i=0}^k u_i x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[k-i]} \in \ker \psi$. Then,

$$\psi(U) = u_0 Y(k) + u_k X(k) + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} u_i \left[\binom{k-1}{k-i} X(k) + \binom{k-1}{i} Y(k) \right] = 0,$$

So, we have to determine the solution of the homogeneous linear equations system $A \cdot v = 0$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & k-1 & \dots & \binom{k-1}{i} & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & \binom{k-1}{k-i} & \dots & k-1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_i \\ \vdots \\ u_{k-1} \\ u_k \end{pmatrix}.$$

The rank of the matrix A is 2, so we have infinite solution vectors which have $k-1$ linear independent components and other two components depend these linear independent components. Then,

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_i \\ \vdots \\ u_{k-1} \\ u_k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} t_i \binom{k-1}{i} \\ t_1 \\ \vdots \\ t_i \\ \vdots \\ t_{k-1} \\ -\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} t_i \binom{k-1}{k-i} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $t_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ for $i = 1, \dots, k-1$. So, $U \in \ker \psi$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} U &= -\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} t_i \binom{k-1}{i} x_1^{[k]} - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} t_i \binom{k-1}{k-i} x_0^{[k]} + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} t_i x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[k-i]} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} t_i \left(x_0^{[i]} x_1^{[k-i]} - \binom{k-1}{k-i} x_0^{[k]} - \binom{k-1}{i} x_1^{[k]} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for some $t_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Thus, we have proved that $U \in I_{\mathbb{Z}}^k$. □

Theorem 4.6. *Under the isomorphism ψ , the \mathbb{Z} -module BGG-operator A^i of $H^*(LSU_2/T, \mathbb{Z})$ corresponds to the partial derivation operator*

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} & \text{for degree } 4n \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} & \text{for degree } 4n + 2 \end{cases}$$

for $i \neq j$, $i = 0, 1$.

Proof. We will prove that \mathbb{Z} -cohomology operator A^i corresponds to the partial derivation operators as stated. By definition of A^i , we have

$$\begin{aligned} A^0 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n} &= 0, \\ A^1 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n} &= \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^{n-1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0}}, \\ A^0 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} &= \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n}, \\ A^1 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} &= 0, \\ A^0 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n} &= \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^{n-1} r_{\mathbf{a}_1}}, \\ A^1 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n} &= 0, \\ A^0 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} &= 0, \\ A^1 \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} &= \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n}. \end{aligned}$$

By ψ isomorphism, we have the following correspondences:

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n} &\longleftrightarrow x_0^{[2n]}, & \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0}} &\longleftrightarrow x_0^{[2n+1]}, \\ \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n} &\longleftrightarrow x_1^{[2n]}, & \varepsilon^{(r_{\mathbf{a}_1} r_{\mathbf{a}_0})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_1}} &\longleftrightarrow x_1^{[2n+1]}. \end{aligned}$$

The last equations and correspondences verify our claim. □

Corollary 4.7. *The partial derivation operator $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$ on the divided power algebra induces a derivation on cohomology of LSU_2/T .*

Now we will discuss cohomology of ΩG respect to LG/T and G/T where G is a compact semi-simple Lie group. Since ΩG is homotopic to Ω_{pol} , the discussion can be restricted to the Kač-Moody groups and homogeneous spaces. The Lie algebras of $L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/B^+$, $L_{\text{pol}}G_{\mathbb{C}}/G_{\mathbb{C}}$ and $G_{\mathbb{C}}/B$ are $\mathfrak{g}[\mathfrak{t}, \mathfrak{t}^{-1}]/\mathfrak{b}^+$, $\mathfrak{g}[\mathfrak{t}, \mathfrak{t}^{-1}]/\mathfrak{g}$ and $\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b}$ respectively. There is a surjective homomorphism

$$\text{ev}_{t=1} : \mathfrak{g}[\mathfrak{t}, \mathfrak{t}^{-1}]/\mathfrak{b}^+ \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b},$$

with $\ker \text{ev}_{t=1} = \mathfrak{g}[\mathfrak{t}, \mathfrak{t}^{-1}]/\mathfrak{g}$. Since the odd cohomology groups of $\mathfrak{g}[\mathfrak{t}, \mathfrak{t}^{-1}]/\mathfrak{b}^+$ and $\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{b}$ are trivial, the second term E_2^{**} of the Leray-Serre spectral sequence collapses and hence we have

Theorem 4.8. *Let R is a commutative ring with unit. Then there exists an injective homomorphism $j : H^*(G/T, R) \rightarrow H^*(LG/T, R)$ and a surjective homomorphism $i : H^*(LG/T, R) \rightarrow H^*(\Omega G, R)$. In particular, $J = \text{im} j^+$ is an ideal of $H^*(LG/T, R)$ and*

$$H^*(\Omega G, R) \cong H^*(LG/T, R) // J.$$

Theorem 4.9.

$$H^*(\Omega SU_2, R) \cong \Gamma_R(x, y) / \left(I_R, a(x^{[1]} - y^{[1]}) \right) \cong \Gamma_R(x),$$

where $a \in R$.

Now we will give a different approach to determine the cohomology ring of based loop group ΩG using the Schubert calculus. For a compact simply-connected semi-simple Lie group G , we have from [13].

Theorem 4.10. *The natural map*

$$G \rightarrow LG \rightarrow LG/G \cong \Omega G,$$

is a split extension of Lie groups.

Theorem 4.11. *Let G be a compact simply-connected semi-simple Lie group and let T be a maximal torus of G . Then $\pi : LG/T \rightarrow LG/G$ is a fiber bundle with the fibre G/T .*

Proof. Since $LG \rightarrow LG/G$ is a principal G -bundle and G/T is a left G -space by the action $g_1 \cdot g_2T = g_1g_2T$ for $g_1, g_2 \in G$, we have a fibration

$$G/T \rightarrow LG \times_G G/T \rightarrow \Omega G.$$

Therefore, we have to show that $LG \times_G G/T$ is diffeomorphic to LG/T . Since $LG \times_G G/T$ is equal to

$$\{[\gamma, gT] : [\gamma, gT] = [\gamma h, h^{-1}gT] \forall g, h \in G, \gamma \in LG\},$$

we define a smooth map $\tau : LG \times_G G/T \rightarrow LG/T$ given by $[\gamma, gT] \rightarrow \gamma gT$. It is well-defined because for $h \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tau([\gamma h, h^{-1}gT]) &= \gamma h h^{-1}gT \\ &= \gamma gT \\ &= \tau([\gamma, gT]). \end{aligned}$$

For every γT , we can find an element $[\gamma, T] \in LG \times_G G/T$ such that $\tau([\gamma, T]) = \gamma T$. So, τ is a surjective map. Now, we will show that τ is an injective map. Let $[\gamma_1, g_1T], [\gamma_2, g_2T] \in LG \times_G G/T$ such that

$$\tau([\gamma_1, g_1T]) = \tau([\gamma_2, g_2T]). \tag{4.40}$$

The equation Eq.(4.40) gives

$$\gamma_1 g_1T = \gamma_2 g_2T.$$

So, $(\gamma_1 g_1)^{-1}(\gamma_2 g_2), (\gamma_2 g_2)^{-1}(\gamma_1 g_1) \in T$. Then,

$$[\gamma_1, g_1T] = [\gamma_1 g_1, g_1^{-1}g_1T]$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= [\gamma_1 g_1, T] \\
&= [(\gamma_1 g_1)(\gamma_1 g_1)^{-1}(\gamma_2 g_2), (\gamma_2 g_2)^{-1}(\gamma_1 g_1)T] \\
&= [\gamma_2 g_2, T] \\
&= [\gamma_2 g_2 g_2^{-1}, g_2 T] \\
&= [\gamma_2, g_2 T].
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we proved that τ is an injective map and it's inverse is given by $\gamma T \rightarrow [\gamma, T]$ which is smooth map. Then, $\pi : LG/T \rightarrow LG/G = \Omega G$ given by $\gamma T \rightarrow \gamma G$ is a fiber bundle map. \square

Since LG/T is a fiber bundle over ΩG with the fiber G/T , by the Leray-Serre spectral sequence of the fibration and Corollary (5.13) of Kostant and Kumar [9], $\theta : H^*(\Omega G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^*(LG/T, \mathbb{Z})$ is injective and $\theta(H^*(\Omega G, \mathbb{Z}))$ is generated by the Schubert classes $\{\varepsilon^w\}_{w \in \widehat{W}}$ in the cohomology of LG/T and hence we can determine the cohomology ring of ΩG .

Let R be a commutative ring with unit and let $\Gamma_R(\gamma)$ be the divided power algebra with $\deg \gamma = 2$.

Theorem 4.12. $H^*(\Omega SU(2), R)$ is isomorphic to $\Gamma_R(\gamma)$ with the R -module basis $\gamma^{[n]}$ in each degree $2n$ for $n \geq 1$.

Proof. Since the odd cohomology is trivial, by the universal coefficient theorem, it suffices to prove this for $R = \mathbb{Z}$. The integral cohomology of ΩSU_2 is generated by the Schubert classes indexed

$$\widehat{W} = \{\overline{\ell(w)} : w \in \widetilde{W}\} = \{(r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n, (r_{\mathbf{a}_0} r_{\mathbf{a}_1})^n r_{\mathbf{a}_0} : n \geq 0\}.$$

Then, we define a \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism η from $\Gamma_{\mathbb{Z}}(\gamma)$ to $H^*(\Omega SU_2, \mathbb{Z})$ given as follows. For $n \geq 0, u_n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\eta(u_n \gamma^{[n]}) = u_n X(n)$. Now, we will show that η is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism. We have

$$\eta(\gamma^{[n]} \cdot \gamma^{[m]}) = \eta\left(\binom{n+m}{n} \gamma^{[n+m]}\right)$$

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$$= \binom{n+m}{n} X(n+m).$$

Let us calculate $\eta(\gamma^{[n]}) \cdot \eta(\gamma^{[m]}) = X(n) \cdot X(m)$. By equations Eq.(4.25) and Eq.(4.27), we have

$$X(n) \cdot X(m) = \binom{n+m}{n} X(n+m).$$

So,

$$\eta(\gamma^{[n]}) \cdot \eta(\gamma^{[m]}) = \binom{n+m}{n} X(m+n).$$

Then, we have shown that η is a \mathbb{Z} -algebra homomorphism.

Also, it is surjective and injective. Because, for every element $u_n X(n) \in H^*(\Omega SU_2, \mathbb{Z})$, we have $u_n \gamma^n$ such that $\eta(u_n \gamma^n) = u_n X(n)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \ker \eta &= \{u_n \gamma^n : \eta(u_n \gamma^n) = u_n X(n) = 0\} \\ &= \{u_n \gamma^n : u_n = 0\} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

We have completed the proof. \square

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