

## *On the Betti Numbers of Certain Local Rings of Embedding Dimension 3*

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Let  $R$  be a commutative Noetherian local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  and residue field  $k$  and let  $K$  be the Koszul complex associated with  $R$ . The relationship between the homology algebra  $H(K)$  and the homological invariants of  $R$  such as the Betti numbers  $B_p = \dim_k \operatorname{Tor}_p^R(k, k)$  and the Betti series  $\mathcal{B}(R) = \sum B_p Z^p$  of  $R$  has been investigated. Especially, for the local ring of embedding dimension  $n \leq 2$ , the Betti series of  $R$  is completely determined by the multiplicative property of the homology algebra  $H(K)$  [5, 7]. In the case when  $n=3$  Wiebe [9] proved the rationality of  $\mathcal{B}(R)$  under the assumption that  $R$  is a Gorenstein ring and is not complete intersection by calculating the syzygy modules of  $k$ .

In this paper, mostly we assume that  $n=3$  and we calculate the Betti numbers by using the spectral sequence associated with the Koszul complex introduced by T. H. Gulliksen and G. Levin [3]. Then, as an application of this, we give the recurrence relation between the Betti numbers and give the explicit form of Betti series under the additional assumption that  $H_1(K)^2=0$  and  $H_1(K)H_2(K)=H_3(K)$ . This gives an alternating proof of a theorem due to Wiebe above in some extended form. As a second application, we will calculate the fourth deflection  $\varepsilon_4$  which is also an invariant of  $R$  by means of  $H(K)$  in a similar restricted case.

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Unless otherwise specified, we shall use the similar notations and the similar terminology which appeared in [6].

1. Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a local ring of embedding dimension  $n$  with residue field  $k$ . First we recall some properties of the exact couples defined by means of the Koszul complex  $K$  of  $R$  [3].

Let  $D = \sum_{p,q} D_{p,q}$  and  $E = \sum_{p,q} E_{p,q}$  be two graded  $R$ -modules where  $E_{p,q} = \operatorname{Tor}_p^R(k, H_q(K))$  for  $p \geq 0, q \geq 0$  and is zero for  $p < 0$  or  $q < 0$  and where

$$D_{p,q} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{Tor}_p^R(k, B_q(K)) & \text{if } p \geq 0, q \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } q < 0, \\ E_{0,0} & \text{if } p < 0 \text{ and } p+q = -1, \\ D_{0,p+q} & \text{if } p < 0 \text{ and } p+q \neq -1. \end{cases}$$

Then the exact couple  $\mathfrak{C} = \{D, E; f, g, h\}$  is defined by a pair of bigraded modules  $D, E$  together with three homomorphisms  $f, g, h$  such that

$$\mathfrak{C}: \begin{array}{ccc} D & \xrightarrow{f} & D \\ & \searrow h & \swarrow g \\ & & E \end{array},$$

where  $f, g$  and  $h$  are defined as follows. Let

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \operatorname{Tor}^R(k, B(K)) & \xrightarrow{i} & \operatorname{Tor}^R(k, Z(K)) \\ & \searrow h & \swarrow j \\ & & \operatorname{Tor}^R(k, H(K)) \end{array}$$

be an exact triangle induced by the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow B(K) \rightarrow Z(K) \rightarrow H(K) \rightarrow 0$  and let  $\partial$  be the isomorphism  $D_{p,q} \rightarrow \operatorname{Tor}_{p-1}^R(k, Z_{q+1}(K))$  which is induced by the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow Z_{q+1}(K) \rightarrow K_{q+1} \rightarrow B_q(K) \rightarrow 0$  for  $p \geq 1, q \geq 0$ . Then  $f: D_{p,q} \rightarrow D_{p+1,q-1}$  is defined by  $f = \partial^{-1} \cdot i$  if  $p \geq 0, q \geq 1$  and identity if  $p < 0$ . And  $g: D_{p,q} \rightarrow E_{p-1,q+1}$  is defined by  $g = j \cdot \partial$  if  $p \geq 1, q \geq 0$  and zero if  $p < 1$ . Finally,  $h: E_{p,q} \rightarrow D_{p-1,q}$  is defined as identity for  $p=0, q=0$  and zero for  $p=0, q \neq 0$ .

We can easily see that this couple  $\mathfrak{C}$  is exact and  $f$  is of bidegree  $(1, -1)$ ,  $g$  bidegree  $(-1, 1)$  and  $h$  bidegree  $(-1, 0)$ . In the following, we often write  $D_{p,q}^1$  (resp.  $E_{p,q}^1$ ) in place of  $D_{p,q}$  (resp.  $E_{p,q}$ ).

The exactness of  $\mathfrak{C}$  shows that the composite map  $gh: E_{p,q}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,q+1}^1$  has square zero, hence is a differential on  $E^1$ . Form the homology module  $H(E^1)$  for this differential and put  $E^2 = H(E^1)$  and  $D^2 = fD^1$ . Then, we construct the derived couple

$$\mathfrak{C}^2: \begin{array}{ccc} D^2 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & D^2 \\ & \searrow h_2 & \swarrow g_2 \\ & & E^2 \end{array},$$

where  $f_2$  is the map induced by  $f$  and  $g_2$  and  $h_2$  are defined by  $g_2(fd) = gd$

+  $ghE^1$  for  $d \in D^1$  and  $h_2(e + ghE^1) = he$  for  $e \in E^1$  such that  $ghe = 0$ . Then the diagram chase proves the derived couple  $\mathfrak{C}^2$  is also exact.

Iterating this process  $(r-1)$ -times, we get the  $r$ -th derived exact couple  $\mathfrak{C}^r$  of  $\mathfrak{C}$ :

$$\mathfrak{C}^r: \begin{array}{ccc} D^r & \xrightarrow{f_r} & D^r \\ & \swarrow h_r & \searrow g_r \\ & E^r & \end{array}$$

where  $f_r$  is of bidegree  $(1, -1)$ ,  $g_r$  bidegree  $(-r, r)$  and  $h_r$  bidegree  $(-1, 0)$ . For details on this subject, see Ch. XI in [4].

The following properties concerning the exact couples are substantially contained in [3] and we will use these properties in the later argument.

(P<sub>1</sub>) The map  $gh: E_{p,q}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,q+1}^1$  is  $H(K)$ -linear [3, Theorem 4.4.2]

(P<sub>2</sub>) For a fixed integer  $r$ ,  $E_{p,q}^{r+1} = E_{p,q}^r$  if  $p \leq r$  and  $q < r$ .

In fact, since  $E^{r+1} = H(E^r)$ , we have

$$E_{p,q}^{r+1} = \text{Ker}(E_{p,q}^r \rightarrow E_{p-r-1,q+r}^r) / \text{Im}(E_{p+r+1,q-r}^r \rightarrow E_{p,q}^r).$$

On one hand, the modules  $E_{p-r-1,q+r}^r$  and  $E_{p+r+1,q-r}^r$  are zero if  $p \leq r$  and  $q < r$ , so that our assertion follows.

(P<sub>3</sub>)  $E_{p,q}^{n+1} = 0$  if  $q \neq 0$  and  $E_{p,0}^{n+1} \cong K_p \otimes_R k$  where  $n$  is the embedding dimension of  $R$  [3, Theorem 4.4.1].

(P<sub>4</sub>)  $E_{p,q}^r = 0$  if i)  $q > n$  or ii)  $r > n$ ,  $q \neq 0$  or iii)  $n \geq r \geq p$  and  $r > q > 0$ .

For, if  $q > n$  then we have  $E_{p,q}^1 = 0$  since the module  $K_q$  is zero. Now the first part of our assertion follows from the fact that the module  $E_{p,q}^r$  is the factor module of a submodule of  $E_{p,q}^1$ . The second and the last part follow easily by using the properties (P<sub>2</sub>) and (P<sub>3</sub>).

(P<sub>5</sub>)  $D_{p,q}^r = 0$  if  $q < 0$  or  $r + q > n$ .

In fact, since  $D_{p,q}^r$  is a submodule of  $D_{p,q}^1$ , we get  $D_{p,q}^r = 0$  if  $q < 0$ . On the other hand, we have  $D_{p,q}^r = f^{r-1} D_{p-r+1,q+r-1}^1$ , so that  $D_{p,q}^r = 0$  if  $q+r > n$ .

(P<sub>6</sub>) If  $n \geq 2$ , then  $E_{p,n-1}^n = 0$  for each  $p$ .

For, in the following exact sequence

$$D_{p+n,-1}^n \xrightarrow{g_n} E_{p,n-1}^n \xrightarrow{h_n} D_{p-1,n-1}^n,$$

it holds  $D_{p+n,-1}^n = D_{p-1,n-1}^n = 0$  by (P<sub>5</sub>). Hence  $E_{p,n-1}^n = 0$  for each  $p$ .

(P<sub>7</sub>) If  $n \geq 3$  and if  $E_{p,n}^{n-1} = 0$  for some  $p$ , then  $E_{p+n,1}^{n-1} = 0$ .

For, consider the following exact diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
\cdots & \longrightarrow & D_{p+2n-1, -n+2}^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{g_{n-1}} & E_{p+n, 1}^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{h_{n-1}} & D_{p+n-1, 1}^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{g_{n-1}} & E_{p, n}^{n-1} & \longrightarrow & \cdots \\
& & & & & & \uparrow f_{n-1} & & & & \\
& & & & & & D_{p+n-2, 2}^{n-1} & & & & 
\end{array}$$

Since  $D_{p+n-2, 2}^{n-1} = 0$  by (P<sub>5</sub>), the exactness from the bottom to the right hand side implies that  $D_{p+n-1, 1}^{n-1} = 0$  by virtue of our assumption. Now the exactness of the left hand side shows that  $E_{p+n, 1}^{n-1} = 0$  since  $D_{p+2n-1, -n+2}^{n-1}$  is zero by the same property (P<sub>5</sub>).

In the following, we restrict our consideration when the embedding dimension  $n$  is 3 and calculate the Betti numbers  $B_p (= \dim_k \text{Tor}_p^R(k, k))$  by using the spectral sequences.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $R$  be a local ring of embedding dimension 3. Then, we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
B_{p+5} &= \dim_k E_{p+1, 3}^3 + \dim_k E_{p+2, 2}^2 - \dim_k E_{p+3, 1}^2 \\
&\quad + \dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{p+3, 1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p+1, 2}^1) \quad \text{for } p \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

**PROOF.** Since  $E_{p+5, 0}^r = \text{Ker}(E_{p+5, 0}^{r-1} \rightarrow E_{p+5-r, r-1}^{r-1})$  for  $r > 1$ , the following three sequences are exact:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\longrightarrow E_{p+5, 0}^2 \longrightarrow E_{p+5, 0}^1 \longrightarrow \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^1 \longrightarrow E_{p+3, 1}^1) \longrightarrow 0, \\
0 &\longrightarrow E_{p+5, 0}^3 \longrightarrow E_{p+5, 0}^2 \longrightarrow \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^2 \longrightarrow E_{p+2, 2}^2) \longrightarrow 0, \\
0 &\longrightarrow E_{p+5, 0}^4 \longrightarrow E_{p+5, 0}^3 \longrightarrow \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^3 \longrightarrow E_{p+1, 3}^3) \longrightarrow 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(*) \quad B_{p+5} &= \dim_k E_{p+5, 0}^1 = \dim_k E_{p+5, 0}^4 + \dim_k \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^1 \longrightarrow E_{p+3, 1}^1) \\
&\quad + \dim_k \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^2 \longrightarrow E_{p+2, 2}^2) + \dim_k \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^3 \longrightarrow E_{p+1, 3}^3).
\end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $E_{p+5, 0}^4 = 0$  by (P<sub>3</sub>). Now, since  $E_{p+3, 1}^2 = \text{Ker}(E_{p+3, 1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p+1, 2}^1) / \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^1 \rightarrow E_{p+3, 1}^1)$ , we obtain the following exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\longrightarrow \text{Im}(E_{p+5, 0}^1 \longrightarrow E_{p+3, 1}^1) \longrightarrow \text{Ker}(E_{p+3, 1}^1 \longrightarrow E_{p+1, 2}^1) \\
&\longrightarrow E_{p+3, 1}^2 \longrightarrow 0,
\end{aligned}$$

so that the second term of the right hand side of (\*) equals to  $\dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{p+3,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p+1,2}^1) - \dim_k E_{p+3,1}^2$ .

Further, using the properties (P<sub>4</sub>) and (P<sub>6</sub>), we can deduce that  $0 = E_{p+2,2}^3 = E_{p+2,2}^2 / \text{Im}(E_{p+5,0}^2 \rightarrow E_{p+2,2}^2)$ . Therefore we have  $\text{Im}(E_{p+5,0}^2 \rightarrow E_{p+2,2}^2) = E_{p+2,2}^2$ . Also, by the similar argument, we have  $\text{Im}(E_{p+5,0}^3 \rightarrow E_{p+1,3}^3) = E_{p+1,3}^3$  by virtue of  $E_{p+1,3}^4 = 0$ . This completes the proof.

2. As an application of the preceding result, we give the recurrence relation which holds between the Betti numbers  $B_p$  under the additional assumption on the multiplication of the homology algebra  $H(K)$ .

LEMMA 1. If  $H_1(K)^2 = 0$ , then

$$\dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{p,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,2}^1) = \varepsilon_1 B_p \quad \text{for } p \geq 0.$$

PROOF. Since the homology algebra  $H(K)$  is a  $k$ -vector space,  $E_{p,1}^1$  is isomorphic to the  $k$ -module  $\text{Tor}_p^R(k, k) \otimes H_1(K)$ . By the property (P<sub>1</sub>), the map  $g_1 h_1: E_{p,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,2}^1$  is  $H(K)$ -linear, hence the image of  $E_{p,1}^1$  in  $E_{p-2,2}^1$  is the submodule of  $\text{Tor}_{p-2}(k, H_1(K)) \otimes H_1(K)$  which is zero by our hypothesis. Therefore, we have

$$\dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{p,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,2}^1) = \dim_k E_{p,1}^1 = B_p \cdot \dim_k H_1(K).$$

Whence, the lemma follows since  $\varepsilon_1 = \dim_k H_1(K)$ .

REMARK. It can be shown that the lemma above holds for an arbitrary embedding dimension  $n$ .

LEMMA 2. Suppose  $H_1(K)^2 = 0$  and  $H_3(K) = H_1(K)H_2(K)$ . Then  $E_{p,1}^2 = 0$  implies  $E_{p,3}^2 = 0$  where  $p$  is any integer.

PROOF. By the definition,  $E_{p,3}^2 = \text{Ker}(E_{p,3}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,4}^1) / \text{Im}(E_{p+2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,3}^1)$ . Obviously, we have  $\text{Ker}(E_{p,3}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,4}^1) = E_{p,3}^1$ . Now, we see that the map  $g_1 h_1: E_{p+2,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,1}^1$  is an epimorphism. In fact, by considering the complex

$$\cdots \longrightarrow E_{p+2,0}^1 \xrightarrow{g_1 h_1} E_{p,1}^1 \xrightarrow{g_1 h_1} E_{p-2,2}^1 \longrightarrow \cdots,$$

we obtain from  $E_{p,1}^2 = 0$  that  $\text{Im}(E_{p+2,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,1}^1) = \text{Ker}(E_{p,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-2,2}^1)$ . Whence, from lemma 1, we have  $\dim_k \text{Im}(E_{p+2,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,1}^1) = \varepsilon_1 B_p$  which implies that the above map  $g_1 h_1: E_{p+2,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,1}^1$  is an epimorphism.

It then follows, by linearity, that the image of  $E_{p+2,2}^1$  in  $E_{p,3}^1$  is isomorphic to the  $k$ -module  $\text{Tor}_p(k, k) \otimes H_1(K)H_2(K)$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\dim_k E_{p,3}^2 &= \dim_k E_{p,3}^1 - \dim_k \operatorname{Im}(E_{p+2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,3}^1) \\ &= B_p \cdot \dim_k H_3(K) - B_p \cdot \dim_k H_1(K) H_2(K)\end{aligned}$$

which is 0 by our assumption.

COROLLARY. *Under the same hypothesis as in lemma 2, we have*

$$E_{p,1}^2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad E_{p,3}^2 = 0 \quad \text{for each } p.$$

PROOF. From (P<sub>4</sub>), we have  $E_{i,1}^2 = 0$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2$ . Hence it follows that  $E_{i,3}^2 = 0$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2$  by lemma 2. Applying the property (P<sub>7</sub>) to the fact  $E_{i,3}^2 = 0$  ( $i = 0, 1, 2$ ), we obtain  $E_{j,1}^2 = 0$  for  $j = 3, 4, 5$ . Thus, we can proceed this argument indefinitely.

LEMMA 3. *Under the same hypothesis as in lemma 2, we have*

$$\dim_k E_{p+2,2}^2 = \varepsilon_2 B_{p+2} - (\dim_k H_1(K) H_2(K)) \cdot B_p \quad \text{for } p \geq 0.$$

PROOF. The argument similar to the proof of lemma 1 shows that  $\operatorname{Im}(E_{p+4,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p+2,2}^1) = 0$  since  $H_1(K)^2 = 0$ . Hence we have

$$\dim_k E_{p+2,2}^2 = \dim_k \operatorname{Ker}(E_{p+2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,3}^1).$$

On one hand, by the same argument as in the proof of lemma 2, we have that  $\operatorname{Im}(E_{p+2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,3}^1) \cong \operatorname{Tor}_p(k, k) \otimes H_1(K) H_2(K)$ . Therefore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\dim_k E_{p+2,2}^2 &= \dim_k E_{p+2,2}^1 - \dim_k \operatorname{Im}(E_{p+2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{p,3}^1) \\ &= B_{p+2} \cdot \dim_k H_2(K) - B_p \cdot \dim_k H_1(K) H_2(K).\end{aligned}$$

Now the formula follows from the fact  $\varepsilon_2 = \dim_k(H_2(K)/H_1(K)^2)$ .

By making use of these lemmas, we can give the alternating proof of a theorem due to Wiebe [9, Satz 9] in some extended form.

THEOREM 2. *Let  $R$  be a local ring of embedding dimension 3. Suppose that  $H_1(K)^2 = 0$  and  $H_3(K) = H_1(K) H_2(K)$  where  $K$  is the Koszul complex of  $R$ . Then the Betti series of  $R$  has the following form*

$$\mathcal{B}(R) = \frac{(1+Z)^3}{1 - \varepsilon_1 Z^2 - \varepsilon_2 Z^3 - (\varepsilon_3 - \binom{\varepsilon_1}{2}) Z^4 - (\varepsilon_4 - \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2) Z^5}.$$

PROOF. We can easily see that the modules  $E_{p+1,3}^3$  and  $E_{p+3,1}^2$  which

appeared in theorem 1 are zero by using the corollary of lemma 2. Therefore we obtain the following recurrence relation of Betti numbers using above lemmas:

$$B_{p+5} = \varepsilon_1 B_{p+3} + \varepsilon_2 B_{p+2} - (\dim_k H_1(K)H_2(K)) \cdot B_p \quad (p \geq 0).$$

Now the Betti series  $\mathcal{B}(R)$  follows from this by using the relation,  $\dim_k H_1(K)H_2(K) = \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_4$  [6, Lemma 4, or Theorem 3 bellow].

REMARK. When the embedding dimension  $n$  is 2, we can easily deduce the following formula by the similar argument as in the theorem 1:

$$B_{p+3} = \dim_k E_{p,2}^2 + \dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{p+1,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-1,2}^1) - \dim_k E_{p+1,1}^2 \quad \text{for } p \geq 0.$$

Now if  $H_1(K)^2 = 0$ , we can prove that

$$\dim_k E_{p,2}^2 = \dim_k E_{p,2}^1 = \varepsilon_2 B_p.$$

On one hand, from the remark of lemma 1 and the property (P<sub>6</sub>), we see that the dimension of  $\text{Ker}(E_{p+1,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{p-1,2}^1)$  is equal to  $\varepsilon_1 B_{p+1}$  and that the module  $E_{p+1,1}^2$  is zero.

Therefore, in this case, we have the next recurrence relation of Betti numbers:

$$B_{p+3} = \varepsilon_1 B_{p+1} + \varepsilon_2 B_p \quad (p \geq 0),$$

so that we get

$$\mathcal{B}(R) = \frac{(1+Z)^2}{1 - \varepsilon_1 Z^2 - \varepsilon_2 Z^3}$$

(see [7], [5] and [9]).

**3.** As the second application of theorem 1, we can compute the fourth deflection  $\varepsilon_4$  in some restricted case.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $R$  be a local ring of embedding dimension  $n \leq 3$ . Suppose  $H_3(K) = H_1(K)H_2(K)$ , then we have*

$$\varepsilon_4 = \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 - \dim_k H_1(K)H_2(K) + \dim_k H_1(K)^3.$$

**PROOF.** By theorem 1, we have

$$B_5 = \dim_k E_{1,3}^3 + \dim_k E_{2,2}^2 - \dim_k E_{3,1}^2 + \dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{3,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,2}^1).$$

First we show that the modules  $E_{3,1}^2$  and  $E_{1,3}^3$  are zero. For, in the complex

$$0 \longrightarrow E_{3,1}^2 \xrightarrow{g_2 h_2} E_{0,3}^2 \longrightarrow \dots,$$

the map  $g_2 h_2: E_{3,1}^2 \rightarrow E_{0,3}^2$  is zero [3, proof of theorem 4.4.3], and also the module  $E_{3,1}^2 = \text{Ker}(E_{3,1}^2 \rightarrow E_{0,3}^2)$  is zero by (P<sub>4</sub>). This proves that  $E_{3,1}^2 = 0$ .

To see  $E_{1,3}^3 = 0$ , it is enough to show  $E_{1,3}^2 = 0$ . Now, we consider the module  $E_{1,3}^2 = E_{1,3}^1 / \text{Im}(E_{3,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,3}^1)$ . Since the map  $g_1 h_1: E_{3,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,1}^1$  is an epimorphism in virtue of  $E_{1,1}^2 = 0$ , the linearity of  $g_1 h_1$  gives the image of  $E_{3,2}^1$  in  $E_{1,3}^1$  is isomorphic to the  $k$ -module  $\text{Tor}_1(k, k) \otimes H_1(K) H_2(K)$ . So we have that  $E_{1,3}^2 \cong \text{Tor}_1(k, k) \otimes (H_3(K) / H_1(K) H_2(K))$  which is zero by our assumption.

Next we compute the dimension of the module  $\text{Ker}(E_{3,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,2}^1)$ . By the similar argument as above, we see that  $\text{Im}(E_{3,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,2}^1) \cong \text{Tor}_1(k, k) \otimes H_1(K)^2$ . From this, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{3,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,2}^1) &= \dim_k E_{3,1}^1 - \dim_k \text{Im}(E_{3,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{1,2}^1) \\ &= B_3 \varepsilon_1 - B_1 \cdot \dim_k H_1(K)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we compute the dimension of the module  $E_{2,2}^2$ . In the complex

$$\dots \longrightarrow E_{4,1}^1 \longrightarrow E_{2,2}^1 \longrightarrow E_{0,3}^1 \longrightarrow 0,$$

the image of  $E_{2,2}^1$  in  $E_{0,3}^1$  is isomorphic to the  $k$ -module  $H_1(K) H_2(K)$ , since the map  $g_1 h_1: E_{2,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{0,1}^1$  is an epimorphism. Therefore, we get

$$\dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{0,3}^1) = B_2 \cdot \dim_k H_2(K) - \dim_k H_1(K) H_2(K).$$

Now, from the fact  $E_{2,1}^2 = 0$ , we have  $\text{Im}(E_{4,0}^1 \rightarrow E_{2,1}^1) = \text{Ker}(E_{2,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{0,2}^1)$  whose dimension is equal to  $B_2 \cdot \dim_k H_1(K) - \dim_k H_1(K)^2$  since  $\text{Im}(E_{2,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{0,2}^1) \cong H_1(K)^2$ . Hence, by linearity, we have

$$\dim_k \text{Im}(E_{4,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{2,2}^1) = B_2 \cdot \dim_k H_1(K)^2 - \dim_k H_1(K)^3.$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \dim_k E_{2,2}^2 &= \dim_k \text{Ker}(E_{2,2}^1 \rightarrow E_{0,3}^1) - \dim_k \text{Im}(E_{4,1}^1 \rightarrow E_{2,2}^1) \\ &= B_2 \varepsilon_2 - \dim_k H_1(K) H_2(K) + \dim_k H_1(K)^3. \end{aligned}$$



Putting all the information together, we get the expression of  $B_5$ :

$$B_5 = B_2 \varepsilon_2 - \dim_k H_1(K) H_2(K) + \dim_k H_1(K)^3 + B_3 \varepsilon_1 - B_1 \cdot \dim_k H_1(K)^2.$$

On one hand, we know that

$$B_5 = 4\varepsilon_1 + 3\binom{\varepsilon_1}{2} + 3\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 + 3\varepsilon_3 + \varepsilon_4,$$

where  $\varepsilon_3 = \binom{\varepsilon_1}{2} - \dim_k H_1(K)^2$  [5, Theorem 2 and 6, Theorem 1], so that our assertion follows.

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