

4. Fock Space Representations of Virasoro Algebra and Intertwining Operators

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§0. In this note, we construct the Fock space representations of the Virasoro algebra \mathcal{L} and intertwining operators between them in the explicit form, and give the analogous determinant formula for them as for the Verma modules (see V. G. Kac [4]). Proofs and details will be given in the forthcoming paper [6].

§1. The Virasoro algebra \mathcal{L} is the Lie algebra over the complex number field C of the following form :

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} C e_n \oplus C e'_0,$$

with the relations : for any $m, n \in \mathbf{Z}$

$$\begin{cases} [e_n, e_m] = (m-n)e_{m+n} + ((m^3-m)/12)\delta_{m+n,0}e'_0, \\ [e'_0, e_m] = 0. \end{cases}$$

This is a unique central extension of the Lie algebra \mathcal{L}' of trigonometric polynomial vector fields on the circle :

$$\mathcal{L}' = \sum_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} C l_n; [l_n, l_m] = (m-n)l_{m+n} \quad (m, n \in \mathbf{Z}) \quad (l_n = z^{n+1}(d/dz)).$$

Let $\mathfrak{h} = C e_0 \oplus C e'_0$ be the abelian subalgebra of \mathcal{L} of maximal dimension. For each $(h, c) \in C^2 \cong \mathfrak{h}^*$ the dual of \mathfrak{h} , we can define the Verma module $M(h, c)$ and its dual $M^*(h, c)$ as follows. $M(h, c)$ and $M^*(h, c)$ are the left and right \mathcal{L} -modules with cyclic vectors $|h, c\rangle$ and $\langle c, h|$ with following fundamental relations respectively :

$$\begin{aligned} e_{-n}|h, c\rangle &= 0 \quad (n \geq 1); & e_0|h, c\rangle &= h|h, c\rangle, & e'_0|h, c\rangle &= c|h, c\rangle; \\ \langle c, h|e_n &= 0 \quad (n \geq 1); & \langle c, h|e_0 &= \langle c, h|h, & \langle c, h|e'_0 &= \langle c, h|c. \end{aligned}$$

V. G. Kac [4] studied these \mathcal{L} -modules and obtained the formula concerning the determinants of the matrices of their vacuum expectation values. By this Kac's determinant formula, F. L. Feigin and D. B. Fuks [3] determined the composition series of $M(h, c)$.

§2. Consider the associative algebra \mathcal{A} over C generated by $\{p_n (n \in \mathbf{Z}), A\}$ with the following Bose commutation relations :

$$[p_m, p_n] = n\delta_{m+n,0}id; [A, p_m] = 0 \quad (m, n \in \mathbf{Z}).$$

And consider the following operators in a completion $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ of \mathcal{A} :

$$L_n = (p_0 - nA)p_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} p_j p_{n-j} + \sum_{j \geq 1} p_{n+j} p_{-j} \quad (n \geq 1);$$

$$L_{-n} = (p_0 + nA)p_{-n} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} p_{-j} p_{j-n} + \sum_{j \geq 1} p_j p_{-n-j} \quad (n \geq 1);$$

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