

## Exercises CFT-course fall 2008, set 4.

Due on friday, october 31, 2008.

1. The OPE of descendent fields.

Show that the OPE of  $T(z)$  with  $\phi^{-1}(w) = \partial\phi(w)$ , where  $\phi(w)$  is a primary field of dimension  $h$ , takes the form

$$T(z)\partial\phi(w) = \frac{2h\phi(w)}{(z-w)^3} + \frac{(h+1)\partial\phi(w)}{(z-w)^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi(w)}{z-w} + \text{reg.}$$

2. Highest weight condition.

Show that the highest weight condition, namely  $L_n|\chi\rangle = 0$  for all  $n > 0$  is implied by the conditions  $L_1|\chi\rangle = L_2|\chi\rangle = 0$ .

3. Null vector at level 3.

Find the explicit expression for the null vector at level 3. Answer:

$$|\chi_{1,3}\rangle = \left(L_{-3} - \frac{2}{h}L_{-2}L_{-1} + \frac{1}{h(h+1)}(L_{-1})^3\right)|h\rangle$$

Determine the corresponding central charge  $c$  as a function of  $h$ .

4. The Kac determinant.

Calculate the Kac determinant at level 2, i.e the determinant of the Gram-matrix of the states  $(L_{-1})^2|h\rangle$  and  $L_{-2}|h\rangle$ .

5. A little on partitions.

Let  $p_d(n)$  be the number of partitions of  $n \geq 0$  into *distinct* parts. Thus, f.i.  $p_d(5) = 3$ , namely  $5 = 1 + 4$ ,  $5 = 2 + 3$ ,  $5 = 5$ .

Let  $p_o(n)$  be the number of partitions of  $n \geq 0$  into *odd* parts. Thus, f.i.  $p_o(5) = 3$ , namely  $5 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$ ,  $5 = 1 + 1 + 3$ ,  $5 = 5$ .

Show that  $p_d(n) = p_o(n)$  by obtaining their generating functions, and showing that they are equal.

Hint:  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 + q^n)(1 - q^{2n-1}) = 1$ , for  $|q| < 1$ .