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

$$T(z) T(w) = \frac{c/2}{(z-w)^4} + \frac{2T(w)}{(z-w)^2} + \frac{\partial T(w)}{z-w} + \text{reg.}$$

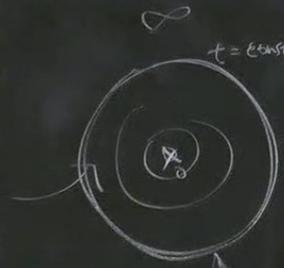
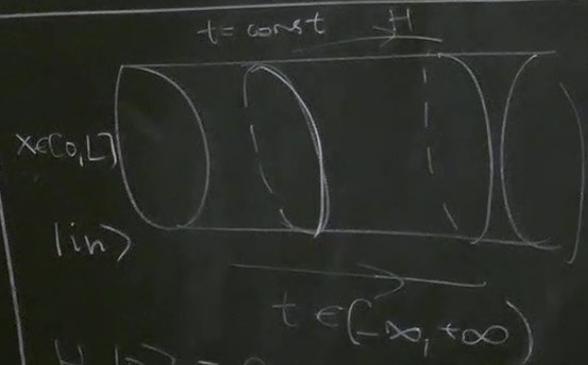
Operator formaliz

How to go to operators?

Let's start from Minkowski theory on a cylinder!

$x \in \mathbb{C}_0, L$   
 $|in\rangle$   
 $H, T$   
 $\phi$

# Radial quantization in 2d CFTs



We want to work in Euclidean time.

- in Minkowski:  $(\partial_t - \partial_x) \psi(x,t) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \psi_n \sim e^{i \frac{2\pi}{L}(x+t)n}$
- in Euclidean:  $\psi(x,t) \sim e^{-\frac{2\pi}{L}(t+ix)n}$

radial quantization

$$z = e^{\frac{2\pi}{L}(t+ix)} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \} = r+it \\ \} z^n \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} \psi = 0$$

$H|0\rangle = 0$  - some vacuum.

$\phi$  - some operator,  $|\phi_{in}\rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \phi(x,t)|0\rangle$   
 $\langle \phi_{out}| = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \langle 0| \phi(x,t)$

$z = e^{\frac{2\pi}{L}t}$   
 $t \rightarrow -\infty \rightsquigarrow z = 0$   
 $t \rightarrow +\infty \rightsquigarrow z \rightarrow \infty$

Reasons:  $\phi : \langle \phi_{\text{out}} | \phi_{\text{in}} \rangle = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \langle 0 | \phi(w, \bar{w}) w^{2h} (\bar{w})^{2\bar{h}} \phi(z, \bar{z}) | 0 \rangle =$

$$= \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} w^{2h} (\bar{w})^{2\bar{h}} \frac{C_{\phi\phi}}{(w - z)^{2h} (\bar{w} - \bar{z})^{2\bar{h}}} = C_{\phi\phi}$$

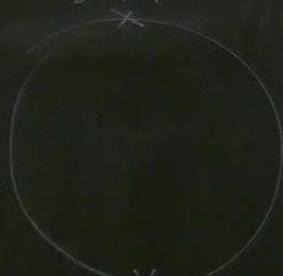
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The operator-state correspondence. (for primaries in CFT)

$$|\phi_{\text{in}}\rangle = \lim_{z, \bar{z} \rightarrow 0} \phi(z, \bar{z}) |0\rangle$$

$$\langle \phi_{\text{out}} | = \lim_{z, \bar{z} \rightarrow \infty} \langle 0 | \phi(z, \bar{z}) z^{2h} (\bar{z})^{2\bar{h}}$$

for primaries in CFT  
 $z = \infty, t \rightarrow +\infty$



$t$

Reasons:

$$\phi : \langle \phi_{\text{out}} | \phi_{\text{in}} \rangle = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \langle 0 | \phi(w, \bar{w}) w^{2h} \bar{w}^{2\bar{h}} \phi(z, \bar{z}) z^{-2h} \bar{z}^{-2\bar{h}} \rangle$$

$$= \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} w^{2h} \bar{w}^{2\bar{h}} \langle 0 | \phi(w, \bar{w}) \rangle$$

$(\mathbb{P}^1 = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\})$  In CFTs we have global symmetry

$$\langle \phi_{\text{out}} | = \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \langle 0 | \tilde{\phi}(w, \bar{w}) =$$

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• In CFTs we have global symmetry  $z \mapsto w = \frac{1}{z}$ .  $\tilde{\phi}(w, \bar{w}) = (-w^{-2})^h (-\bar{w}^{-2})^{\bar{h}} \phi(\frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{\bar{w}})$

$$\langle \phi_{\text{out}} | = \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \langle 0 | \tilde{\phi}(w, \bar{w}) = \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} w^{-2h} \bar{w}^{-2\bar{h}} \phi(\frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{\bar{w}}) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z^{2h} \bar{z}^{2\bar{h}} \langle 0 | \phi(z, \bar{z})$$

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Remark What about Hermitian conjugation?

$$\langle \phi_{\text{out}} | = \left( | \phi_{\text{in}} \rangle \right)^\dagger \Rightarrow \left[ \phi(z, \bar{z}) \right]^\dagger = \phi\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}, \frac{1}{z}\right) \bar{z}^{-2h} z^{-2\bar{h}}$$

$z^* = \bar{z}$

The mode expansions (for primary) is:  $\phi(z, \bar{z}) = \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} z^{-m-h} \bar{z}^{-h}$

$$[\phi(z, \bar{z})]^\dagger = \sum (\bar{z})^{m+h} (z)^{n+h} \phi_m$$

naive:  $(\phi(z, \bar{z}))^\dagger = \sum_{m, n} \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n}$

similarly, for  $T(z) = \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} z^{-h-2} L_h$

$$s: \phi(z, \bar{z}) = \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} z^{-m-h} \bar{z}^{-n-h} \phi_{m,n}$$

$$[\phi(z, \bar{z})]^\dagger = \sum (\bar{z})^{m+h} (z)^{n+h} \phi_{m,n} \cdot \bar{z}^{-2h} z^{-2h} = \sum_{m,n \in \mathbb{Z}} \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-h} \phi_{-m,-n}$$

naïve:  $(\phi(z, \bar{z}))^\dagger = \sum_{m,n} \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-h} (\phi_{m,n})^\dagger$

similarly, for  $T(z) = \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} \bar{z}^{-h-2} L_h$  we have

$$(L_h)^\dagger = L_{-h}$$

$$\langle \phi_{out} | = \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} \langle 0 | \phi(w, \bar{w}) = \lim_{w \rightarrow 0} w^{-2h} \bar{w}^{-2\bar{h}} \langle 0 | \phi\left(\frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{\bar{w}}\right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z^{2h} \bar{z}^{2\bar{h}} \langle 0 | \phi(z, \bar{z})$$

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$$|\phi_{out}\rangle = (|\phi_{in}\rangle)^\dagger \Rightarrow [\phi(z, \bar{z})]^\dagger = \phi\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}, \frac{1}{z}\right) \bar{z}^{-2\bar{h}} z^{-2h}$$

$z^* = \bar{z}$        $z \sim \frac{1}{\bar{z}}$        $z = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{L}(t+ix)}$        $\frac{1}{\bar{z}} = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{L}(-t+ix)}$

$(z, \bar{z}) \quad m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \bar{z}^{-m-h} \bar{z}^{-n-\bar{h}} (\phi_{m,n})^\dagger$

$m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$        $1-m, -n$        $\boxed{1-m, -n}$

$z^{-h-2} L_n$  we have  $\boxed{(L_n)^\dagger = L_{-n}}$

What about Hermitian conjugation?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \text{out} | &= \left( | \phi_{m,n} \rangle \right)^\dagger \Rightarrow \left[ \phi(z, \bar{z}) \right]^\dagger = \phi\left(\frac{1}{\bar{z}}, \frac{1}{z}\right) \bar{z}^{-2h} z^{-2\bar{h}} \\
 z^* &= \bar{z} \quad z \sim \frac{1}{\bar{z}} \quad z = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{L}(t+ix)}, \quad \frac{1}{\bar{z}} = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{L}(-t+ix)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-\bar{h}} \phi_{m,n}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-\bar{h}} \phi_{m,n} \cdot \bar{z}^{-2h} z^{-2\bar{h}} &= \sum_{m,n \in \mathbb{Z}} \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-\bar{h}} \phi_{-m,-n} \\
 \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-\bar{h}} (\phi_{m,n})^\dagger &
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\phi_{m,n}^\dagger = \phi_{-m,-n}}$$

$$\bar{z}^{-h-2} L_h \quad \text{we have} \quad \boxed{(L_h)^\dagger = L_{-h}}$$

$$z^* = \bar{z}$$

$$z \mapsto \frac{1}{z}$$

$$z = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{L}(t+ix)}, \quad \frac{1}{z} =$$

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} z^{-m-h} \bar{z}^{-n-h} \phi_{m,n}$$

$$= \sum_{m,n \in \mathbb{Z}} (z)^{m+h} (z)^{n+h} \phi_{m,n} \cdot \bar{z}^{-2h} z^{-2h} = \sum_{m,n \in \mathbb{Z}} \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-h} \phi_{-m,-n}$$

$$(\bar{z})^+ = \sum_{m,n} \bar{z}^{-m-h} z^{-n-h} (\phi_{m,n})^+$$

$$\boxed{\phi_{m,n}^+ = \phi_{-m,-n}}$$

$$T(z) = \sum_{h \in \mathbb{Z}} z^{-h-2} L_h$$

we have

$$\boxed{(L_h)^+ = L_{-h}}$$

What about OPE? How to rephrase them for operators?

• We can extract modes from fields by  $\phi_{m,n} = \oint_0 \frac{dz}{2\pi i} z^{m+n-1} \oint_0 \frac{dw}{2\pi i}$

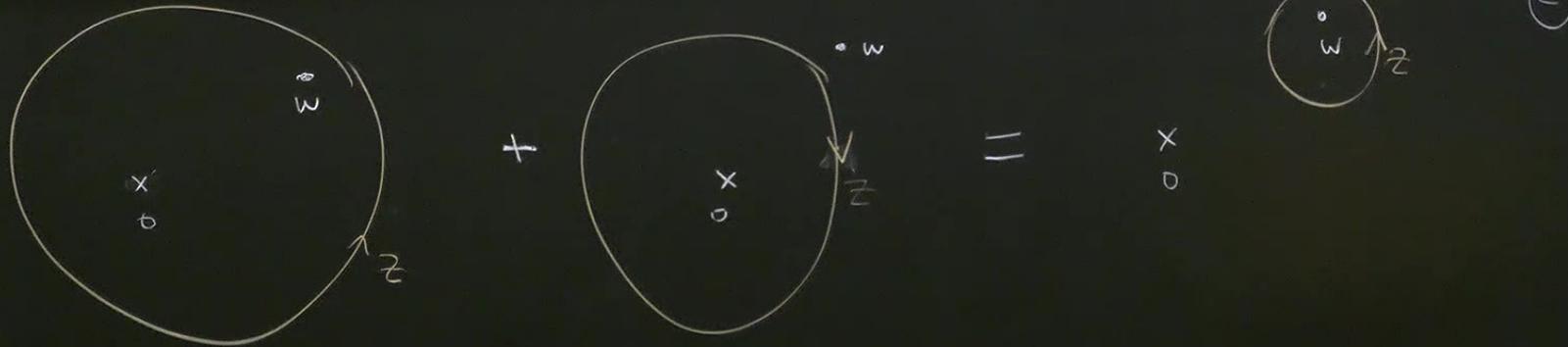
• We have to replace time ordering with radial ordering:  $\mathcal{R} \phi_{1/2}$

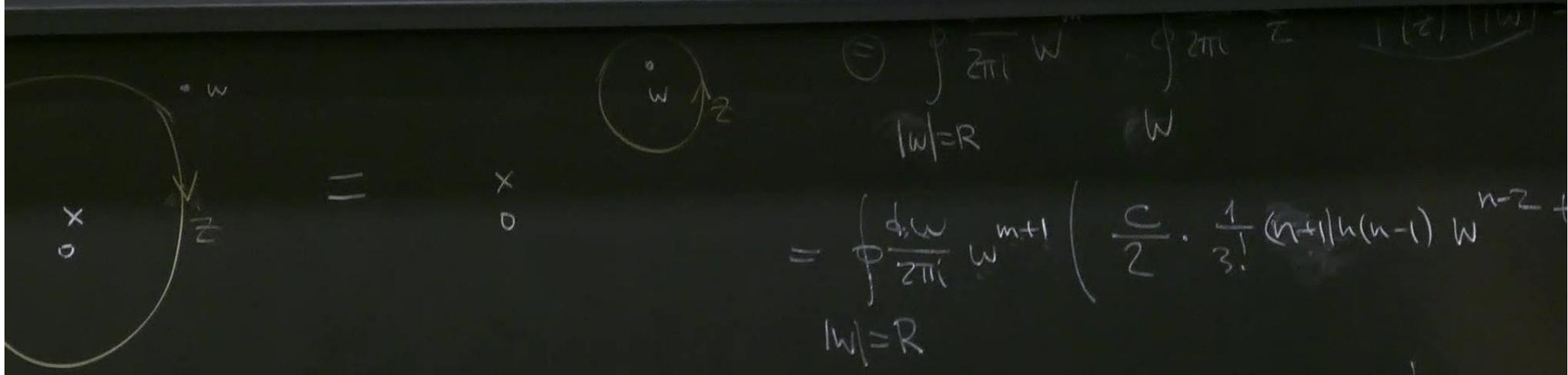
$$[L_n, L_m] \rightarrow \oint_{|z|=R+\epsilon} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} z^{n+1} T(z) \oint_{|w|=R-\epsilon} \frac{dw}{2\pi i} w^{m+1} T(w) - \oint_{|w|=R+\epsilon} \frac{dw}{2\pi i} w^{m+1} T(w) \oint_{|z|=R-\epsilon} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} z^{n+1} T(z)$$

$L_n \cdot L_m$   $L_m \cdot L_n$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\bar{z}}{2\pi i} z^{n+h-1} \phi(z, \bar{z}) \rightsquigarrow \int \frac{dz}{2\pi i} z^n = \delta_{n,-1}$$

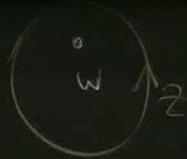
Let's fix  $W$  for a second.





$$\Leftrightarrow \delta_{m+n,0} \frac{c}{12} (n^2-1)h + 2(n+1)L_{h+m}$$

$$\Rightarrow [L_n, L_m] = (n-m)L_{h+m} + \frac{c}{12}(n^2-1)h \delta_{m+n,0} \quad - \text{Virassoro}$$



$$\equiv \int_{|w|=R} \frac{dw}{2\pi i} w^{m+1} \int_{|z|=R} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} z^{n-2} \frac{1}{(z-w)^{n-1}}$$

$$= \oint_{|w|=R} \frac{dw}{2\pi i} w^{m+1} \left( \frac{c}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3!} (n+1)n(n-1) w^{n-2} + 2 \cdot (n+1) w^n T(w) \right)$$

$$\equiv \delta_{m+n,0} \frac{c}{12} (n^2-1)n + 2(n+1)L_{h+m} - (m+h+2)L_{m+1}$$

$$[L_n, L_m] = (n-m)L_{n+m} + \frac{c}{12}(n^2-1)n \delta_{m+n,0} \quad - \text{Virassoro algebra. } (c \text{ - central charge})$$

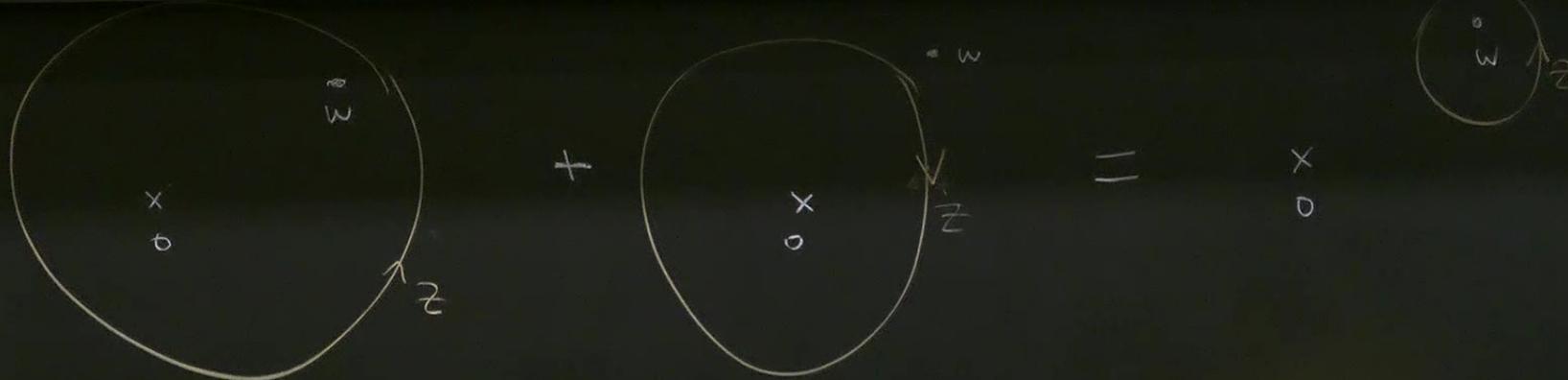
$$\begin{aligned}
& \oint \frac{dw}{2\pi i} w^{m+n+2} \partial T(w) = \\
& = - \oint \frac{dw}{2\pi i} (m+n+2) w^{m+n+1} T(w) \\
& = -(m+n+2) L_{m+n}
\end{aligned}$$

$\frac{c}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3!} (n+1)n(n-1) w^{n-2} + 2 \cdot (n+1) w^n T(w) + w^{n+1} \partial T(w)$

$\frac{c}{12} (n^2-1)n + 2(n+1) L_{n+m} - (m+n+2) L_{m+n}$

$(n^2-1)n S_{m+n,0}$

- Virassoro algebra.  $[L_n, \bar{L}_m] = 0$   
 for  $\bar{L}_n$  we also have Virassoro  
c - central charge.



$$[X_a, X_b] = f_{ab}^c X_c + K A_{ab}$$

$$[X_a, K] = 0 \quad A_{ab} = -A_{ba}$$

$$\Rightarrow [L_n, L_m] = (n-m) L_{n+m}$$

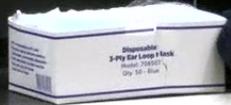
$|w|=R$        $w$

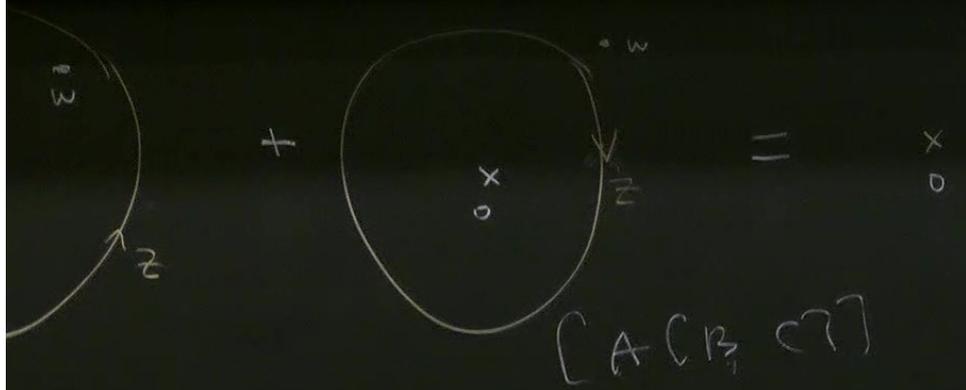
$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w|=R} (n+1)w^{n-2} + 2 \cdot (n+1)w^n T(w) + w^{n+1} \partial T(w) \circlearrowleft = \oint \frac{dw}{2\pi i} w^{m+n+2} \partial T(w) =$$

$$= - \oint \frac{dw}{2\pi i} (m+n+2) w^{m+n+1} T(w) = -(m+n+2) L_{m+n}$$

$$+ 2(n+1) L_{n+m} - (m+n+2) L_{m+n}$$

- Virassoro algebra.  $([L_n, L_m] = 0)$   
C - central charge. (for  $L_n$  we also have Virassoro)





$$\oint_{|z|=R} \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i$$

$$\oint_{|w|=R} \frac{1}{w} dw = 2\pi i$$

$$\oint_{|w|=R} w^{n-2} dw = \frac{2\pi i}{n-1} R^{n-1}$$

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$A_{ab} + K A_{ab}$   
 $= 0$   
 $A_{ab} = -A_{ba}$   
 extension

$$\Rightarrow [L_n, L_m] = (n-m)L_{n+m} + \frac{c}{12}(n^2-1)n \delta_{n+m,0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta_{n+m,0} \frac{c}{12}(n^2-1)n + 2(n+1)L_{n+m}$$

- Virassoro  
 [c - central c]