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SEMI-INFINITE COHOMOLOGY AND SUPERCONFORMAL ALGEBRAS

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1. Introduction.

B. Feigin and E. Frenkel have introduced a semi-infinite analogue of the Weil complex based on the space

(1.1)
$$W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}) = S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}).$$

In their construction $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_n$ is a graded Lie algebra, $S^{\frac{\infty}{2} + *}(\mathfrak{g})$ and $\Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2} + *}(\mathfrak{g})$ are some semi-infinite analogues of the symmetric and exterior power modules, [FF]. As in the classical case, two differentials, d and h, are defined on $W^{\frac{\infty}{2} + *}(\mathfrak{g})$. They are analogous to the differential in Lie algebra (co)homology and the Koszul differential, respectively. The semi-infinite Weil complex

(1.2)
$$\{W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}), d+\mathfrak{h}\}$$

is acyclic similarly to the classical Weil complex. The cohomology of the complex

$$(1.3) \qquad \qquad \{W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}), d\}$$

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is called the *semi-infinite cohomology* of \mathfrak{g} with coefficients in its "adjoint semi-infinite symmetric powers" $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}))$. One can also define the relative semi-infinite Weil complex $W_{\mathrm{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g})$ (relatively \mathfrak{g}_0), and the relative semi-infinite cohomology $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}))$, [FF].

E. Getzler has shown that the semi-infinite Weil complex of the Virasoro algebra admits an action of the N = 2 superconformal algebra, [G].

Recall that a superconformal algebra (SCA) is a simple complex Lie superalgebra \mathfrak{s} , such that it contains the centerless Virasoro algebra (i.e. the Witt algebra) Witt = $\bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}L_n$ as a subalgebra, and has growth 1. The \mathbb{Z} -graded superconformal algebras are ones for which $\mathrm{ad}L_0$ is diagonalizable with finite-dimensional eigenspaces, [KL]:

(1.4)
$$\mathfrak{s} = \oplus_j \mathfrak{s}_j, \mathfrak{s}_j = \{x \in \mathfrak{s} \mid [L_0, x] = jx\}.$$

In this work we consider the semi-infinite Weil complex constructed for the next natural (after the Virasoro algebra) class of graded Lie algebras: the loop algebras of the complex finite-dimensional Lie algebras. The action of the Virasoro algebra on such complex is ensured by the fact that it has a structure of a vertex operator superalgebra (see [Ak]).

Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra, and $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}]$ be the corresponding loop algebra. We obtain a representation of the N = 2SCA in the semi-infinite Weil complex $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ and in the semi-infinite cohomology $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$ with central charge 3dimg. We extend the representation of the N = 2 SCA in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ to a representation of the one-parameter family $\hat{S}'(2,\alpha)$ of deformations of the N = 4 SCA (see [Ad] and [KL]). In the case, when \mathfrak{g} is endowed with a non-degenerate invariant symmetric bilinear form, we obtain a representation of $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ in $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$. Finally, there exists a representation of a central extension of the Lie superalgebra of all derivations of S'(2,0) in the relative semi-infinite cohomology $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$.

It was shown in [FGZ] that the cohomology of the relative semiinfinite complex $C^*_{\infty}(\mathfrak{l}, \mathfrak{l}_0, V)$, where \mathfrak{l} is a complex graded Lie algebra, and Vis a graded Hermitian \mathfrak{l} -module, has (under certain conditions) a structure analogous to that of the de Rham cohomology in Kähler geometry.

Recall that given a compact Kähler manifold M, there exists a number of classical operators on the space of differential forms on M, such as the differentials $\partial, \bar{\partial}, d, d_c$, their corresponding adjoint operators and the associated Laplacians (see [GH]). There also exists an action of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ on $H^*(M)$ according to the Lefschetz theorem. All these operators satisfy a series of identities known as Hodge identities, [GH]. Naturally, the classical operators form a finite-dimensional Lie superalgebra.

We show that given a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} endowed with a non-degenerate invariant symmetric bilinear form, there exist the analogues of the classical operators on the complex $W_{\mathrm{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$. We prove that the exterior derivations of S'(2,0) form an $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, and observe that they define an $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -module structure on $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$, which is the analogue of the $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -module structure on the de Rham cohomology in Kähler geometry.

The action of $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ provides $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}},\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0,S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$ with eight series of quadratic operators. In particular, they include the semi-infinite Koszul differential h, and the semi-infinite analogue of the homotopy operator (cf. [Fu]). We prove that the degree zero part of the Z-grading of S'(2,0) defined by the element $L_0 \in$ Witt, is isomorphic to the Lie superalgebra of classical operators in Kähler geometry.

It would be interesting to interpret the superconformal algebra S'(2,0) as "affinization" of the classical operators in the case of an infinitedimensional manifold.

This work is partly based on [P1]-[P3].

2. Semi-infinite Weil complex.

The semi-infinite Weil complex of a graded Lie algebra was introduced by B. Feigin and E. Frenkel in [FF]. Recall the necessary definitions. More generally, let $V = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} V_n$ be a graded vector space over \mathbb{C} , such that $\dim V_n < \infty$. Let $V' = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} V'_n$ be the restricted dual of V. The linear space $V \oplus V'$ carries non-degenerate skew-symmetric and symmetric bilinear forms: (\cdot, \cdot) and $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$. Let H(V) and C(V) be the quotients of the tensor algebra $T^*(V \oplus V')$ by the ideals generated by the elements of the form xy - yx - (x, y) and $xy + yx - \{x, y\}$, respectively, where $x, y \in V \oplus V'$. We fix $K \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let $V = V_+ \oplus V_-$ be the corresponding polarization of V: $V_+ = \bigoplus_{n \geq K} V_n$, $V_- = \bigoplus_{n \leq K} V_n$.

The symmetric algebra $S^*(V_+ \oplus V'_-)$ is a subalgebra of H(V) and the exterior algebra $\Lambda^*(V_+ \oplus V'_-)$ is a subalgebra of C(V). Let $S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$, $\Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ be the representations of H(V) and C(V) induced from the trivial representations $< \mathbf{1}_S > \text{and} < \mathbf{1}_\Lambda > \text{of } S^*(V_+ \oplus V'_-)$ and of $\Lambda^*(V_+ \oplus V'_-)$, respectively. Thus we obtain some semi-infinite analogues of symmetric and exterior power modules. Denote the actions of H(V) and C(V) on these modules by $\beta(x), \gamma(x')$ and $\tau(x), \varepsilon(x')$, respectively, for $x \in V, x' \in V'$. Notice that each element of $S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ and of $\Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ is a finite linear combination of the monomials of the type $\gamma(x'_1) \dots \gamma(x'_k)\beta(y_1) \dots \beta(y_m)\mathbf{1}_S$ and of the type $\varepsilon(x'_1) \dots \varepsilon(x'_k)\tau(y_1) \dots \tau(y_m)\mathbf{1}_\Lambda$, respectively, where $x'_1, \dots, x'_k \in$ $V'_+, y_1, \dots, y_m \in V_-$. Let $\mathrm{Deg}\varepsilon(x') = \mathrm{Deg}\gamma(x') = 1$, and $\mathrm{Deg}\tau(x) =$ $\mathrm{Deg}\beta(x) = -1$. Correspondingly, we obtain \mathbb{Z} -gradings on the spaces of semi-infinite power modules: $S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V) = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+i}(V), \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V) =$ $\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+i}(V)$.

Let $\{e_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{Z}}$ be a homogeneous basis of V so that if $i\in\mathbb{Z}$, then $e_i\in V_n$ for some $n\in\mathbb{Z}$, and if $e_i\in V_n$, then $e_{i+1}\in V_n$ or $e_{i+1}\in V_{n+1}$. Let $\{e'_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{Z}}$ be the dual basis. Let $i_0\in\mathbb{Z}$ be such that $e_{i_0}\in V_K$ and $e_{i_0+1}\in V_{K+1}$.

Notice that one can think of $\Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ as the vector space spanned by the elements $w = e'_{i_1} \wedge e'_{i_2} \wedge \ldots$ such that there exists $N(w) \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $i_{n+1} = i_n - 1$ for n > N(w). Then $\mathbf{1}_{\Lambda} = e'_{i_0} \wedge e'_{i_0-1} \wedge \ldots$ is a vacuum vector in this space. The actions of $\varepsilon(x'), \tau(x)$ are, respectively, the exterior multiplication and contraction in the space of semi-infinite exterior products.

Let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_n$ be a graded Lie algebra over \mathbb{C} , such that $\dim \mathfrak{g}_n < \infty$. Let ϕ be a representation of \mathfrak{g} in V so that

(2.1)
$$\phi(\mathfrak{g}_n)V_k \subset V_{k+n}.$$

One can define the projective representations ρ and π of \mathfrak{g} in $\Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ and $S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$, respectively

(2.2)
$$\rho(x) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} : \tau(\phi(x)e_i)\varepsilon(e'_i) :,$$

(2.3)
$$\pi(x) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} : \beta(\phi(x)e_i)\gamma(e'_i) :,$$

where $x \in \mathfrak{g}$, and where the double colons : : denote a normal ordering operation:

(2.4)
$$: \tau(e_j)\varepsilon(e'_i) := \begin{cases} \tau(e_j)\varepsilon(e'_i) \text{ if } i \leq i_0\\ -\varepsilon(e'_i)\tau(e_j) \text{ if } i > i_0 \end{cases},$$
$$: \beta(e_j)\gamma(e'_i) := \begin{cases} \beta(e_j)\gamma(e'_i) \text{ if } i \leq i_0\\ \gamma(e'_i)\beta(e_j) \text{ if } i > i_0 \end{cases}.$$

Thus

(2.5)
$$\rho(x)\mathbf{1}_{\Lambda} = \pi(x)\mathbf{1}_{S} = 0 \text{ for } x \in \mathfrak{g}_{0}$$

and

(2.6)
$$[\rho(x), \rho(y)] = \rho([x, y]) + c_{\Lambda}(x, y), [\pi(x), \pi(y)] = \pi([x, y]) + c_{S}(x, y),$$

where $x, y \in \mathfrak{g}$ and c_{Λ}, c_S are 2-cocycles. Notice that $c_{\Lambda} = -c_S$. Let

(2.7)
$$W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V) = S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V) \otimes \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V).$$

Since the cocycles corresponding to the projective representations cancel, the representation $\theta(x) = \rho(x) + \pi(x)$ of \mathfrak{g} in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ is well-defined. We define a \mathbb{Z} -grading on $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V)$ setting

(2.8)
$$W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+i}(V) = \bigoplus_{2l+j=i} S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+l}(V) \otimes \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+j}(V).$$

Let $V = \mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_n$ and ϕ be the adjoint representation of \mathfrak{g} . We define two differentials on the space $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g})$:

$$(2.9) \quad d = \sum_{i < j} : \tau([e_i, e_j])\varepsilon(e'_j)\varepsilon(e'_i) : + \sum_{i,j} : \beta([e_j, e_i])\gamma(e'_i)\varepsilon(e'_j) :,$$
$$h = \sum_i \gamma(e'_i)\tau(e_i).$$

We obtain the semi-infinite Weil complex

(2.10)
$$\{W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}), d+h\}.$$

The differential d is the analogue of the classical differential for the Lie algebra (co)homology, and h is the analogue of the Koszul differential. Notice that

(2.11)
$$d^2 = 0, h^2 = 0, [d, h] = 0, (d + h)^2 = 0.$$

Notice also that if \mathfrak{g} is a finite-dimensional Lie algebra, then applying the definitions given above to the polarization $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_+ \oplus \mathfrak{g}_-$, where $\mathfrak{g}_+ = \mathfrak{g}$, $\mathfrak{g}_- = 0$, we obtain the classical Weil complex.

As in the case of the classical Weil complex, one can construct two filtrations, F_1^* and F_2^* , on $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g})$:

(2.12)
$$F_1^p = \bigoplus_{l+j \ge p} S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+l}(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+j}(\mathfrak{g}), \quad F_2^p = \bigoplus_{2l \ge p} S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+l}(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes \Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}).$$

For filtration F_1^* the complex is acyclic, the second term of the spectral sequence associated to filtration F_2^* is the semi-infinite cohomology of Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} with coefficients in its "adjoint semi-infinite symmetric powers" $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}))$ (see [FF]). Let

(2.13)
$$W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V) = \{ w \in W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(V) \mid \tau(x)w = 0 \\ \text{for all } x \in V_0, \theta(x)w = 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathfrak{g}_0 \}.$$

The differential d preserves the space $W_{\rm rel}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g})$ since

(2.14)
$$[d, \tau(x)] = d\tau(x) + \tau(x)d = \theta(x),$$

and

$$(2.15) \qquad \qquad [d,\theta(x)] = 0,$$

for any $x \in \mathfrak{g}$. The complex $\{W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}), d\}$ is called the relative semiinfinite Weil complex. Its cohomology is called the relative semi-infinite cohomology $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{g}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{g}))$.

We fix K = 0 from this point on. Correspondingly, $V = V_+ \oplus V_-$, where $V_+ = \bigoplus_{n>0} V_n$, $V_- = \bigoplus_{n \leq 0} V_n$.

3. The N = 2 superconformal algebra.

Recall that the N = 2 SCA is spanned by the Virasoro generators \mathfrak{L}_n , the Heisenberg generators H_n , two fermionic fields G_r^{\pm} , and a central element C, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}, r \in \mathbb{Z} + 1/2$, and where the non-vanishing commutation relations are as follows, [FST]:

(3.1)
$$[\mathfrak{L}_{n},\mathfrak{L}_{m}] = (n-m)\mathfrak{L}_{n+m} + \frac{\mathsf{C}}{12}(n^{3}-n)\delta_{n,-m}, \\ [\mathfrak{L}_{n},H_{m}] = -mH_{n+m}, [\mathfrak{L}_{n},G_{r}^{\pm}] = \left(\frac{n}{2}-r\right)G_{n+r}^{\pm}, \\ [G_{r}^{+},G_{s}^{-}] = 2\mathfrak{L}_{r+s} + (r-s)H_{r+s} + \frac{\mathsf{C}}{3}\left(r^{2}-\frac{1}{4}\right)\delta_{r,-s}, \\ [H_{n},H_{m}] = \frac{\mathsf{C}}{3}n\delta_{n,-m}, [H_{n},G_{r}^{\pm}] = \pm G_{n+r}^{\pm}.$$

Let Witt $= \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}L_i$ be the Witt algebra:

(3.2)
$$[L_i, L_j] = (i - j)L_{i+j}.$$

Let $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}$. Let $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\mu} = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}u_m$ be a module over Witt defined as follows:

(3.3)
$$\phi(L_n)u_m = (-m + \mu - (n-1)\lambda)u_{n+m}.$$

Remark 3.1. — The module $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\mu} = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}u_m$ is isomorphic to the module $\mathcal{F}_{-\lambda,\mu+1} = \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}f_j$ over the Witt algebra defined in [Fu]. The isomorphism is given by the correspondence $u_m \leftrightarrow f_{-m-1}$.

THEOREM 3.1. — The space $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\mu})$ is a module over the N=2 SCA with central charge $3-6\lambda$.

Proof. — Set

(3.4)
$$\mathbf{h}_{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} G_{n-\frac{1}{2}}^{+}, \mathbf{p}_{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} G_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{-}.$$

We define a representation of Witt in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\mu})$ as follows: (3.5)

$$\theta(L_n) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (-m + \mu - n\lambda + \lambda) (: \tau(u_{m+n})\varepsilon(u'_m) : + : \beta(u_{m+n})\gamma(u'_m) :).$$

Let us extend θ to a representation of the N = 2 SCA in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\mu})$:

(3.6)
$$\theta(H_n) = \lambda \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} : \tau(u_m) \varepsilon(u'_{m+n}) :$$
$$+ (\lambda - 1) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} : \beta(u_m) \gamma(u'_{m+n}) : +\mu \delta_{n,0},$$
$$\theta(h_n) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma(u'_{m+n}) \tau(u_m),$$
$$\theta(p_n) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (m - \mu - (n+1)\lambda) \beta(u_{m-n}) \varepsilon(u'_m),$$
$$\theta(\mathfrak{L}_n) = -\theta(L_{-n}) + \frac{n+1}{2} \theta(H_n).$$

We calculate the central charge by checking the commutation relations on the vacuum vector $\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}_S \otimes \mathbf{1}_A$. Let n > 0. Then

(3.7)
$$\theta([H_n, H_{-n}])\mathbf{1} = -\theta(H_{-n})\theta(H_n)\mathbf{1}$$
$$= -\theta(H_{-n})\left(\lambda \sum_{m=1-n}^0 \tau(u_m)\varepsilon(u'_{m+n})\right)$$

$$+ (\lambda - 1) \sum_{m=1-n}^{0} \beta(u_m) \gamma(u'_{m+n}) \bigg) \mathbf{1}$$

$$= -\lambda^2 \sum_{m=1-n}^{0} \tau(u_{m+n}) \varepsilon(u'_m) \tau(u_m) \varepsilon(u'_{m+n}) \mathbf{1}$$

$$- (\lambda - 1)^2 \sum_{m=1-n}^{0} \beta(u_{m+n}) \gamma(u'_m) \beta(u_m) \gamma(u'_{m+n}) \mathbf{1}$$

$$= (-\lambda^2 n - (\lambda - 1)^2 (-n)) \mathbf{1} = n(1 - 2\lambda) \mathbf{1},$$
here $\varepsilon(u') \tau(u_n) + \tau(u_n) \varepsilon(u'_n) = \mathbf{1}$ and $\varepsilon(u') \beta(u_n) - \beta(u_n) \varepsilon(u'_n) = \mathbf{1}$. Here

since $\varepsilon(u'_i)\tau(u_i) + \tau(u_i)\varepsilon(u'_i) = 1$, and $\gamma(u'_i)\beta(u_i) - \beta(u_i)\gamma(u'_i) = 1$. Hence,

(3.8)
$$\theta([H_n, H_m])\mathbf{1} = n(1 - 2\lambda)\delta_{n, -m}\mathbf{1}$$

Thus the central charge is $3 - 6\lambda$. The other commutation relations on the vacuum vector 1 are calculated in the same way.

Remark 3.2. — In the case when $\lambda = -1, \mu = 1$, the module $\mathcal{F}_{\lambda,\mu}$ is the adjoint representation of Witt. Thus we obtain a representation of the N = 2 SCA in the semi-infinite Weil complex of the Witt algebra (cf. [G]).

THEOREM 3.2. — Let V be a complex finite-dimensional vector space, $\tilde{V} = V \otimes \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}]$. There exists a representation of the N = 2 SCA in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$ with central charge 3dimV.

Proof. — There is the natural Z-grading $\tilde{V} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \tilde{V}_n$, where $\tilde{V}_n = V \otimes t^n$. Let u run through a fixed basis of V, u_n stand for $u \otimes t^n$, and let $\{u'_n\}$ be the dual basis of \tilde{V}' . Define the following quadratic expansions by analogy with (3.5) and (3.6), where $\lambda = 0, \mu = 0$:

$$L_{n} = -\sum_{u} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(m : \tau(u_{m+n})\varepsilon(u'_{m}) : +m : \beta(u_{m+n})\gamma(u'_{m}) : \right)$$

$$H_{n} = -\sum_{u} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} : \gamma(u'_{m+n})\beta(u_{m}) :$$
(3.9)
$$h_{n} = \sum_{u} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma(u'_{m+n})\tau(u_{m}),$$

$$p_{n} = \sum_{u} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} m\beta(u_{m-n})\varepsilon(u'_{m}).$$

Set

$$\mathfrak{L}_n = -L_{-n} + \frac{n+1}{2}H_n.$$

Then $\mathfrak{L}_n, H_n, \mathfrak{h}_n$, and \mathfrak{p}_n span the centerless N = 2 SCA.

Let n > 0. Then $H_{-n} \mathfrak{1} = 0$. Hence

(3.11)
$$[H_n, H_{-n}] \mathbf{1} = -H_{-n} \left(-\sum_{u} \sum_{m=1-n}^{0} \gamma(u'_{m+n})\beta(u_m) \right) \mathbf{1}$$
$$= \left(-\sum_{u} \sum_{m=1}^{n} \gamma(u'_{m-n})\beta(u_m) \right) \left(\sum_{u} \sum_{m=1-n}^{0} \gamma(u'_{m+n})\beta(u_m) \right) \mathbf{1}$$
$$= -\sum_{u} \sum_{m=1-n}^{0} \gamma(u'_m)\beta(u_{m+n})\gamma(u'_{m+n})\beta(u_m) \mathbf{1}$$
$$= -\dim V(-n) \mathbf{1},$$

since $\gamma(u_i')\beta(u_i) - \beta(u_i)\gamma(u_i') = 1$. Notice that

(3.12)
$$[H_n, H_m] \mathbf{1} = 0, \text{ if } m \neq -n.$$

Hence

$$(3.13) [H_n, H_m] \mathbf{1} = n \mathrm{dim} V \delta_{n, -m} \mathbf{1}.$$

Thus the central charge is $3 \dim V$.

COROLLARY 3.1. — Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra, let $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}]$. There exists a representation of the N = 2 SCA in $H^{\frac{\infty}{2} + *}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, S^{\frac{\infty}{2} + *}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$ with central charge 3dimg.

Proof. — We will show that the expansions (3.9) commute with the differential *d*. Recall that

(3.14)
$$d = d^{(1)} + d^{(2)},$$

where

(3.15)
$$d^{(1)} = (1/2) \sum_{u,v,i,j} : \tau([u_i, v_j]) \varepsilon(v'_j) \varepsilon(u'_i) :,$$
$$d^{(2)} = \sum_{u,v,i,j} : \beta([u_i, v_j]) \gamma(v'_j) \varepsilon(u'_i) :,$$

u, v run through a fixed basis of \mathfrak{g} , and $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

(3.16)
$$[L_n, d^{(1)}] = (1/2) \sum_{u, v, i, j} : -(i+j)\tau([u, v]_{i+j+n})\varepsilon(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) :$$

+ : $\tau([u_i, v_j])(j-n)\varepsilon(v'_{j-n})\varepsilon(u'_i) :$
+ : $\tau([u_i, v_j])\varepsilon(v'_j)(i-n)\varepsilon(u'_{i-n}) := 0$

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and

(3.17)
$$[L_n, d^{(2)}] = \sum_{u, v, i, j} : -(i+j)\beta([u, v]_{i+j+n})\gamma(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) : + : \beta([u_i, v_j])(j-n)\gamma(v'_{j-n})\varepsilon(u'_i) : + : \beta([u_i, v_j])\gamma(v'_j)(i-n)\varepsilon(u'_{i-n}) := 0.$$

Clearly,

$$(3.18) [H_n, d^{(1)}] = 0,$$

and

$$(3.19) [H_n, d^{(2)}] = \sum_{u, v, i, j} : -\beta([u, v]_{i+j-n})\gamma(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) : +\beta([u, v]_{i+j})\gamma(v'_{j+n})\varepsilon(u'_i) :$$

= 0.

Next,

$$(3.20) \qquad [h_n, d^{(1)}] = (1/2) \sum_{u,v,i,j} : -\tau([u,v]_{i+j})\gamma(v'_{j+n})\varepsilon(u'_i) : + : \tau([u,v]_{i+j})\varepsilon(v'_j)\gamma(u'_{i+n}) : = -\sum_{u,v,i,j} : \tau([u,v]_{i+j})\gamma(v'_{j+n})\varepsilon(u'_i) :, (3.21) \qquad [h_n, d^{(2)}] = \sum_{u,v,i,j} : \tau([u,v]_{i+j-n})\gamma(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) : + : \beta([u,v]_{i+j})\gamma(v'_j)\gamma(u'_{i+n}) : = \sum_{u,v,i,j} : \tau([u,v]_{i+j})\gamma(v'_{j+n})\varepsilon(u'_i) :,$$

since $\sum_{u,v,i,j}:\beta([u,v]_{i+j})\gamma(v_j')\gamma(u_{i+n}'):=0.$ Hence

(3.22)
$$[h_n, d^{(2)}] = -[h_n, d^{(1)}].$$

Finally,

$$(3.23) \quad [\mathbf{p}_n, d^{(1)}] = (1/2) \sum_{u, v, i, j} : (i+j)\beta([u, v]_{i+j-n})\varepsilon(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) :,$$

$$(3.24) \quad [\mathbf{p}_n, d^{(2)}] = \sum_{u, v, i, j} : -\beta([u, v]_{i+j})(j+n)\varepsilon(v'_{j+n})\varepsilon(u'_i) :$$

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$$= \sum_{u,v,i,j} : -\beta([u,v]_{i+j-n})j\varepsilon(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) :$$

= -(1/2) $\sum_{u,v,i,j} : (j+i)\beta([u,v]_{i+j-n})\varepsilon(v'_j)\varepsilon(u'_i) :$

Hence

(3.25)
$$[p_n, d^{(2)}] = -[p_n, d^{(1)}].$$

4. The superconformal algebras $S'(2, \alpha)$.

Recall the necessary definitions, [KL]. Let W(N) be the superalgebra of all derivations of $\mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}] \otimes \Lambda(N)$, where $\Lambda(N)$ is the Grassmann algebra in N variables $\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_N$, and $p(t) = \overline{0}$, $p(\theta_i) = \overline{1}$ for $i = 1, \ldots, N$. Let ∂_i stand for $\partial/\partial \theta_i$, and ∂_t stand for $\partial/\partial t$. Let

(4.1)
$$S(N,\alpha) = \{ D \in W(N) \mid \text{Div}(t^{\alpha}D) = 0 \} \text{ for } \alpha \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Recall that

(4.2)
$$\operatorname{Div}\left(f\partial_t + \sum_{i=1}^N f_i\partial_i\right) = \partial_t f + \sum_{i=1}^N (-1)^{p(f_i)}\partial_i f_i$$

where $f, f_i \in \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}] \otimes \Lambda(N)$, and

(4.3)
$$\operatorname{Div}(fD) = Df + f\operatorname{Div}D,$$

where f is an even function. Let $S'(N, \alpha) = [S(N, \alpha), S(N, \alpha)]$ be the derived superalgebra. Assume that N > 1. If $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Z}$, then $S(N, \alpha)$ is simple, and if $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $S'(N, \alpha)$ is a simple ideal of $S(N, \alpha)$ of codimension 1:

(4.4)
$$0 \to S'(N,\alpha) \to S(N,\alpha) \to \mathbb{C}t^{-\alpha}\theta_1 \cdots \theta_N \partial_t \to 0.$$

Notice that

(4.5)
$$S(N, \alpha) \cong S(N, \alpha + n) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

The superalgebra $S'(N, \alpha)$ has, up to equivalence, only one non-trivial 2cocycle if and only if N = 2, which is important for our task. Let

(4.6)
$$\{\mathfrak{L}_n^{\alpha}, E_n, H_n, F_n, \mathfrak{h}_n^{\alpha}, \mathfrak{p}_n, \mathfrak{x}_n, \mathfrak{y}_n^{\alpha}\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

be the basis of $S'(2, \alpha)$ defined as follows:

(4.7)

$$\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha} = -t^{n}(t\partial_{t} + \frac{1}{2}(n+\alpha+1)(\theta_{1}\partial_{1} + \theta_{2}\partial_{2})),$$

$$E_{n} = t^{n}\theta_{2}\partial_{1},$$

$$H_{n} = t^{n}(\theta_{2}\partial_{2} - \theta_{1}\partial_{1}),$$

$$F_{n} = t^{n}\theta_{1}\partial_{2},$$

$$\mathfrak{h}_{n}^{\alpha} = t^{n}\theta_{2}\partial_{t} - (n+\alpha)t^{n-1}\theta_{1}\theta_{2}\partial_{1},$$

$$\mathfrak{p}_{n} = -t^{n+1}\partial_{2},$$

$$\mathfrak{x}_{n} = t^{n+1}\partial_{1},$$

$$\mathfrak{y}_{n}^{\alpha} = t^{n}\theta_{1}\partial_{t} + (n+\alpha)t^{n-1}\theta_{1}\theta_{2}\partial_{2}.$$

The non-vanishing commutation relations between these elements are

$$\begin{aligned} (4.8) \quad [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathfrak{L}_{k}^{\alpha}] &= (n-k)\mathfrak{L}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, \\ [E_{n},F_{k}] &= H_{n+k}, [H_{n},E_{k}] = 2E_{n+k}, [H_{n},F_{k}] = -2F_{n+k}, \\ [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},E_{k}] &= -kE_{n+k}, [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},H_{k}] = -kH_{n+k}, [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},F_{k}] = -kF_{n+k}, \\ [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}] &= \frac{1}{2}(n-2k+1-\alpha)\mathbf{h}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathbf{p}_{k}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(n-2k-1+\alpha)\mathbf{p}_{n+k}, \\ [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathbf{x}_{k}] &= \frac{1}{2}(n-2k-1+\alpha)\mathbf{x}_{n+k}, [\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(n-2k+1-\alpha)\mathbf{y}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, \\ [E_{n},\mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] &= \mathbf{h}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, [F_{n},\mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}] = \mathbf{y}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, [E_{n},\mathbf{p}_{k}] \\ &= \mathbf{x}_{n+k}, [F_{n},\mathbf{x}_{k}] = \mathbf{p}_{n+k}, \\ [H_{n},\mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}] &= \mathbf{h}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, [H_{n},\mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] = -\mathbf{y}_{n+k}^{\alpha}, [H_{n},\mathbf{x}_{k}] \\ &= \mathbf{x}_{n+k}, [H_{n},\mathbf{p}_{k}] = -\mathbf{p}_{n+k}, \\ [\mathbf{h}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathbf{x}_{k}] &= (k+1-n-\alpha)E_{n+k}, [\mathbf{p}_{n},\mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] \\ &= (k-n-1+\alpha)F_{n+k}, \\ [\mathbf{h}_{n}^{\alpha},\mathbf{p}_{k}] &= \mathfrak{L}_{n+k}^{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2}(k-n+1-\alpha)H_{n+k}, \\ [\mathbf{x}_{n},\mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] &= -\mathfrak{L}_{n+k}^{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2}(k-n-1+\alpha)H_{n+k}. \end{aligned}$$

A non-trivial 2-cocycle on $S'(2, \alpha)$ is

(4.9)
$$c(\mathfrak{L}_n^{\alpha},\mathfrak{L}_k^{\alpha}) = \frac{\mathsf{C}}{12}n(n^2-1)\delta_{n,-k},$$

$$c(E_n, F_k) = \frac{C}{6} n \delta_{n,-k}, \ c(H_n, H_k) = \frac{C}{3} n \delta_{n,-k},$$
$$c(h_n^{\alpha}, p_k) = \frac{C}{6} \left(\left(n - 1 + \frac{\alpha + 1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right) \delta_{n,-k},$$
$$c(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_k^{\alpha}) = -\frac{C}{6} \left(\left(-n - 1 + \frac{\alpha + 1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right) \delta_{n,-k};$$

see [KL]. Let $\hat{S}'(2, \alpha)$ be the corresponding central extension of $S'(2, \alpha)$. In particular, $\hat{S}'(2, 0)$ is isomorphic to the N = 4 SCA (see [Ad]).

Remark 4.1 — Notice that

(4.10)
$$S'(2,\alpha)_{\bar{0}} = \text{Witt} \ltimes \tilde{\mathfrak{sl}}(2), \text{ where}$$
$$\text{Witt} = \langle \mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha} \rangle_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{sl}}(2) = \langle E_{n}, H_{n}, F_{n} \rangle_{n \in \mathbb{Z}},$$

and

(4.11)
$$S'(2,\alpha)_{\bar{1}} = \langle \mathbf{h}_{n}^{\alpha}, \mathbf{y}_{n}^{\alpha} \rangle_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \oplus \langle \mathbf{p}_{n}, \mathbf{x}_{n} \rangle_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

is a direct sum of two standard (odd) $\tilde{\mathfrak{sl}}(2)$ -modules.

Remark 4.2 — For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ one can consider the subalgebra of $\hat{S}'(2,\alpha)$, spanned by $\mathfrak{L}_n^{\alpha}, H_n, \mathfrak{h}_n^{\alpha}, \mathfrak{p}_n$, and C. Thus we obtain a oneparameter family of superalgebras, which are isomorphic to the N = 2SCA. The isomorphism

(4.12)
$$\varphi: \langle \mathfrak{L}_n^{\alpha}, H_n, \mathfrak{h}_n^{\alpha}, \mathfrak{p}_n, \mathsf{C} \rangle \longrightarrow \langle \mathfrak{L}_n, H_n, \mathfrak{h}_n, \mathfrak{p}_n, \mathsf{C} \rangle$$

is given as follows:

(4.13)
$$\varphi(\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha}) = \mathfrak{L}_{n} - \frac{\alpha}{2}H_{n} + \frac{\alpha^{2}}{24}\delta_{n,0}\mathsf{C},$$
$$\varphi(H_{n}) = H_{n} - \frac{\alpha}{6}\delta_{n,0}\mathsf{C},$$
$$\varphi(\mathfrak{h}_{n}^{\alpha}) = \mathfrak{h}_{n}, \ \varphi(\mathfrak{p}_{n}) = \mathfrak{p}_{n}, \varphi(\mathsf{C}) = \mathsf{C}.$$

Notice that formulae (4.13) correspond to the spectral flow transformation for the N = 2 SCA (cf. [FST]).

Let $\operatorname{Der} S'(2, \alpha)$ be the Lie superalgebra of all derivations of $S'(2, \alpha)$, and $\operatorname{Der}_{\operatorname{ext}} S'(2, \alpha)$ be the exterior derivations of $S'(2, \alpha)$ (see [Fu]).

THEOREM 4.1.

1) If $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $\operatorname{Der}_{\operatorname{ext}} S'(2, \alpha) \cong \mathfrak{SL}(2) = \langle \boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}, \boldsymbol{\mathcal{H}}, \boldsymbol{\mathcal{F}} \rangle$, where

(4.14)
$$[\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{E}] = 2\mathcal{E}, [\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{F}] = -2\mathcal{F}, [\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F}] = \mathcal{H}.$$

The action of $S\mathfrak{L}(2)$ is given as follows:

$$(4.15) \qquad [\mathcal{E}, \mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}] = \mathbf{x}_{k-1+\alpha}, [\mathcal{E}, \mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] = \mathbf{p}_{k-1+\alpha}; \\ [\mathcal{F}, \mathbf{x}_{k}] = \mathbf{h}_{k+1-\alpha}^{\alpha}, [\mathcal{F}, \mathbf{p}_{k}] = \mathbf{y}_{k+1-\alpha}^{\alpha}; \\ [\mathcal{H}, \mathbf{x}_{k}] = \mathbf{x}_{k}, [\mathcal{H}, \mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}] = -\mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}, \\ [\mathcal{H}, \mathbf{p}_{k}] = \mathbf{p}_{k}, [\mathcal{H}, \mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}] = -\mathbf{y}_{k}^{\alpha}.$$

2) If $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$, then $\operatorname{Der}_{\operatorname{ext}} S'(2, \alpha) = \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle$.

Proof. — Recall that the exterior derivations of a Lie (super) algebra can be identified with its first cohomology with coefficients in the adjoint representation (see [Fu]). Thus

(4.16)
$$\operatorname{Der}_{\operatorname{ext}} S'(2,\alpha) \cong H^1(S'(2,\alpha), S'(2,\alpha)).$$

The superalgebra $S'(2, \alpha)$ has the following $\mathbb{Z} \pm \alpha$ -grading deg:

(4.17)
$$\begin{split} & \deg \mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha} = n, \deg E_{n} = n + 1 - \alpha, \deg F_{n} = n - 1 + \alpha, \\ & \deg H_{n} = n, \deg \mathfrak{h}_{n}^{\alpha} = n, \deg \mathfrak{p}_{n} = n, \deg \mathfrak{x}_{n} = n + 1 - \alpha, \\ & \deg \mathfrak{p}_{n}^{\alpha} = n - 1 + \alpha. \end{split}$$

Let

(4.18)
$$L_0 = -\mathfrak{L}_0^{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha)H_0.$$

Then

$$(4.19) [L_0,s] = (\deg s)s$$

for a homogeneous $s \in S'(2, \alpha)$. Accordingly,

$$(4.20) [L_0, D] = (\deg D)D$$

for a homogeneous $D \in \text{Der}_{\text{ext}}S'(2, \alpha)$. On the other hand, since the action of a Lie superalgebra on its cohomology is trivial (see [Fu]), then one must have

$$(4.21) [L_0, D] = 0.$$

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Hence the non-zero elements of $\operatorname{Der}_{\operatorname{ext}} S'(2, \alpha)$ have deg = 0, and they preserve the superalgebra $S'(2, \alpha)_{\operatorname{deg}=0}$. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then one can check that the exterior derivations of $S'(2, \alpha)_{\operatorname{deg}=0}$ form an $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, and extend them to the exterior derivations of $S'(2, \alpha)$ as in (4.15). One should also note that if the restriction of a derivation of $S'(2, \alpha)$ to $S'(2, \alpha)_{\operatorname{deg}=0}$ is zero, then this derivation is inner.

Finally, notice that the exterior derivations \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{F} interchange $\{\mathbf{h}_{k}^{\alpha}\}$ with $\{\mathbf{x}_{k}\}$. If $\alpha \notin \mathbb{Z}$, then deg \mathbf{h}_{k}^{α} -deg $\mathbf{x}_{n} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ for any $k, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Hence \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{F} cannot have deg = 0. By this reason, $\operatorname{Der}_{\mathrm{ext}} S'(2, \alpha) = \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle$ for $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$.

Remark 4.3. — If $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$, then one can identify \mathcal{F} with $-t^{-\alpha}\theta_1\theta_2\partial_t$ (see (4.4)).

5. An action of $\hat{S}'(2,\alpha)$ on the semi-infinite Weil complex of a loop algebra.

We will consider a more general case, i.e. when V is a complex finitedimensional vector space, and $\tilde{V} = V \otimes \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}]$. Let $\hat{\mathrm{Der}}S'(2, \alpha)$ be a non-trivial central extension of $\mathrm{Der}S'(2, \alpha)$.

Theorem 5.1.

1) The space $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$, is a module over $\hat{S}'(2,\alpha)$ with central charge $3\dim V$;

2) if $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$, then $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$ is a module over $\hat{\mathrm{Der}}S'(2,\alpha)$.

Proof. — Let u run through a fixed basis of V, u_n stand for $u \otimes t^n$, and $\{u'_n\}$ be the dual basis of \tilde{V}' . One can define a representation of Witt in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$ by analogy with (3.5), where $\lambda = 0, \mu = \alpha/2$: (5.1)

$$\theta(L_n) = -\sum_u \sum_m \left(m - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \left(:\tau(u_{m+n})\varepsilon(u'_m):+:\beta(u_{m+n})\gamma(u'_m):\right),$$

then extend it to a representation of the N = 2 SCA, and apply (4.13). We obtain the following representation of $\hat{S}'(2, \alpha)$:

(5.2)
$$\theta(H_n) = -\sum_u \sum_m : \beta(u_m)\gamma(u'_{m+n}),$$

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$$\begin{split} \theta(\mathfrak{L}_{n}^{\alpha}) &= -\theta(L_{-n}) + \frac{n+1-\alpha}{2}\theta(H_{n}) + \left(\frac{\alpha}{4} - \frac{\alpha^{2}}{8}\right) \operatorname{dim} V \delta_{n,0}, \\ \theta(\mathfrak{h}_{n}^{\alpha}) &= \sum_{u} \sum_{m} \gamma(u'_{m+n})\tau(u_{m}), \\ \theta(\mathfrak{p}_{n}) &= \sum_{u} \sum_{m} \left(m - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \beta(u_{m-n})\varepsilon(u'_{m}), \\ \theta(E_{n}) &= -(1/2)i \sum_{u} \sum_{m} \gamma(u'_{m})\gamma(u'_{1-m+n}), \\ \theta(F_{n}) &= -(1/2)i \sum_{u} \sum_{m} \beta(u_{m})\beta(u_{1-m-n}), \\ \theta(\mathfrak{y}_{n}^{\alpha}) &= i \sum_{u} \sum_{m} \beta(u_{m})\tau(u_{1-m-n}), \\ \theta(\mathfrak{x}_{n}) &= -i \sum_{u} \sum_{m} \left(m - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \gamma(u'_{1-m+n})\varepsilon(u'_{m}), \\ \theta(\mathcal{H}) &= -\sum_{u} \sum_{m} : \tau(u_{m})\varepsilon(u'_{m}) : . \end{split}$$

One can check that the central charge is $3\dim V$ in the same way as in Theorem 3.2.

THEOREM 5.2. — Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra endowed with a non-degenerate invariant symmetric bilinear form. Then $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$ is a module over $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ with central charge 3dimg.

Proof. — Let $\{v_i\}$ be a basis of \mathfrak{g} so that with respect to the given form $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$. Let u run through this basis. Then by Theorem 5.1, there is a representation of $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$. Notice that we can identify the elements of S'(2,0) with the quadratic expansions obtained by putting $\alpha = 0$ in the equations (5.2). One can check that the commutation relations (4.8) (where $\alpha = 0$) are fulfilled. One can notice that

$$(5.3) [S'(2,0),d] = 0.$$

In fact, since $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an invariant symmetric bilinear form on \mathfrak{g} , then the elements E_n, H_n , and F_n commute with $\pi(g)$ for any $g \in \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$. Hence they commute with d. According to Corollary 3.1,

(5.4)
$$[\mathbf{h}_{n}^{0}, d] = [\mathbf{p}_{n}, d] = 0.$$

Recall that

(5.5)
$$S'(2,0)_{\bar{1}} = \langle \mathbf{h}_n^0, \mathbf{y}_n^0, \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{x}_n \rangle_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}.$$

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Since

(5.6)
$$[E_n, \mathbf{p}_k] = \mathbf{x}_{n+k}, [F_n, \mathbf{h}_k^0] = \mathbf{y}_{n+k}^0,$$

then

(5.7)
$$[S'(2,0)_{\bar{1}},d] = 0.$$

Since

(5.8)
$$S'(2,0)_{\bar{0}} = [S'(2,0)_{\bar{1}}, S'(2,0)_{\bar{1}}]$$

then (5.3) follows.

To define an action of $\hat{D}erS'(2,0)$, one should consider a *relative* semiinfinite Weil complex.

Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra, ϕ be a representation of \mathfrak{g} in V, $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be a non-degenerate \mathfrak{g} -invariant symmetric bilinear form on V. One can naturally extend ϕ to a representation of $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$ in \tilde{V} :

(5.9)
$$\phi(g \otimes t^n)(v \otimes t^k) = (\phi(g)v) \otimes t^{n+k}, \text{ for } g \in \mathfrak{g}, v \in V.$$

THEOREM 5.3. — The space $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$ is a module over $\hat{\text{Der}}S'(2,0)$ with central charge 3dimV.

Proof. — Let $\{v_i\}$ be a basis of V so that $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$. Let u run through this basis. Then by Theorem 5.1, there is a representation of $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ in $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$. We can identify the elements of S'(2,0) with the expansions (5.2) where $\alpha = 0$.

Since the form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is g-invariant, then there is an action of $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$. To extend this representation to $\hat{\text{Der}}S'(2,0)$, we have to define it on $\mathcal{SL}(2) = \langle \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{E} \rangle$. Let

(5.10)
$$\mathcal{E} = i \sum_{u} \sum_{m>0} m \varepsilon(u'_{-m}) \varepsilon(u'_{m}),$$
$$\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{u} \sum_{m\neq0} : \tau(u_{m}) \varepsilon(u'_{m}) :,$$
$$\mathcal{F} = -i \sum_{u} \sum_{m>0} (1/m) \tau(u_{m}) \tau(u_{-m}).$$

Notice that $S\mathcal{L}(2)$ acts on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$. The commutation relations between $\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{F}$ and the elements of S'(2,0) coincide with the relations (4.15),

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where $\alpha = 0$, up to some terms which contain elements $\tau(u_0)$. Since the action of $\tau(u_0)$ on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$ is trivial, then a representation of $\hat{\text{Der}}S'(2,0)$ in $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{V})$ is well-defined.

COROLLARY 5.1. $-H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$ is a module over $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ with central charge 3dimg.

Proof. — Follows from Theorem 5.2.

6. Relative semi-infinite cohomology and Kähler geometry.

Let M be a compact Kähler manifold with associated (1, 1)-form ω , let $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} M = n$. There exists a number of operators on the space $A^*(M)$ of differential forms on M such as $\partial, \bar{\partial}, d, d_c$, their corresponding adjoint operators and the associated Laplacians (see [GH]). Recall that

(6.1)

$$\partial : A^{p,q}(M) \to A^{p+1,q}(M),$$

$$\bar{\partial} : A^{p,q}(M) \to A^{p,q+1}(M),$$

$$d = \partial + \bar{\partial},$$

$$d_c = i(\partial - \bar{\partial}),$$

$$\Delta = dd^* + d^*d = 2\Delta_{\bar{\partial}} = 2\Delta_{\bar{\partial}}.$$

The Hodge *-operator maps

(6.2)
$$\star : A^{p,q}(M) \longrightarrow A^{n-q,n-p}(M),$$

so that $\star^2 = (-1)^{p+q}$ on $A^{p,q}(M)$. Correspondingly, the Hodge inner product is defined on each of $A^{p,q}(M)$:

(6.3)
$$(\varphi,\psi) = \int_M \varphi \wedge \star \bar{\psi}.$$

In addition, $A^*(M)$ admits an $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ -module structure. Namely, $\mathfrak{sl}(2) = \langle L, H, \Lambda \rangle$, where

(6.4)
$$[L, \Lambda] = H, [H, L] = 2L, [H, \Lambda] = -2\Lambda.$$

The operator

(6.5)
$$L: A^{p,q}(M) \to A^{p+1,q+1}(M),$$

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is defined by

$$(6.6) L(\varphi) = \varphi \wedge \omega$$

Let $\Lambda = L^*$ be its adjoint operator:

(6.7)
$$\Lambda: A^{p,q}(M) \to A^{p-1,q-1}(M),$$

and

(6.8)
$$H|_{A^{p,q}(M)} = p + q - n.$$

According to the Lefschetz theorem, there exists the corresponding action of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ on $H^*(M)$. These operators satisfy a series of identities, known as the Hodge identities (see [GH]). Consider the Lie superalgebra spanned by the classical operators:

(6.9)
$$S := \langle \Delta, L, H, \Lambda, d, d^*, d_c, d_c^* \rangle.$$

The non-vanishing commutation relations in S are as follows:

(6.10)

$$[L, \Lambda] = H, [H, L] = 2L, [H, \Lambda] = -2\Lambda,$$

$$[d, d^*] = dd^* + d^*d = \Delta,$$

$$[d_c, d_c^*] = d_c d_c^* + d_c^* d_c = \Delta,$$

$$[H, d] = d, [H, d^*] = -d^*,$$

$$[H, d_c] = d_c, [H, d_c^*] = -d_c^*,$$

$$[L, d^*] = -d_c, [L, d_c^*] = d,$$

$$[\Lambda, d] = d_c^*, [\Lambda, d_c] = -d^*.$$

THEOREM 6.1. — Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra with a non-degenerate invariant symmetric bilinear form. Then there exist operators on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$, which are analogous to the classical operators in Kähler geometry.

Proof. — It was shown in [FGZ] that a relative semi-infinite complex $C^*_{\infty}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l}_0,V)$, where $\mathfrak{l} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{l}_n$ is a complex \mathbb{Z} -graded Lie algebra, and V is a graded Hermitian I-module, has a structure, which is similar to that of the de Rham complex in Kähler geometry. It is assumed that there exists a 2-cocycle γ on \mathfrak{l} such that $\gamma|_{\mathfrak{l}_n \times \mathfrak{l}_{-n}}$ is non-degenerate if $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus 0$ and it is zero otherwise. Then there exist operators on $C^*_{\infty}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l}_0,V)$ analogous to the classical ones.

We will define analogues of the classical operators on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$. Using the form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on \mathfrak{g} we obtain the 2-cocycle γ on $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$:

(6.11)
$$\gamma(g_1 \otimes t^n, g_2 \otimes t^m) = n \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle \delta_{n, -m}, \text{ for } g_1, g_2 \in \mathfrak{g}.$$

Notice that $\gamma|_{\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_n \times \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-n}}$ is non-degenerate if $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus 0$ and zero otherwise. Let

(6.12)
$$\Lambda_{\mathrm{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) = \bigoplus_{a,b \ge 0} \Lambda^{a}(\mathfrak{n}'_{+}) \wedge \Lambda^{b}_{\infty}(\mathfrak{n}'_{-}).$$

For a homogeneous element in $\Lambda^{a}(\mathfrak{n}'_{+}) \wedge \Lambda^{b}_{\infty}(\mathfrak{n}'_{-})$, *a* is the number of added elements, and *b* is the number of missing elements with respect to the vacuum vector $\mathbf{1}_{rel}$. Let

(6.13)
$$C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) = [S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \otimes \Lambda^{a}(\mathfrak{n}'_{+}) \wedge \Lambda^{b}_{\infty}(\mathfrak{n}'_{-})]^{\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{0}}.$$

We obtain a bigrading on the relative semi-infinite Weil complex, such that

(6.14)
$$W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+i}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) = \bigoplus_{a-b=i} C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}).$$

Let d be the restriction of the differential to the relative subcomplex. Notice that

(6.15)
$$d: C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow C^{a+1,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \oplus C^{a,b-1}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}).$$

Define d_1 and d_2 such that

(6.16)
$$d = d_1 + d_2,$$
$$d_1 : C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow C^{a+1,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}),$$
$$d_2 : C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow C^{a,b-1}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}).$$

Let

(6.17)
$$d_c = i(d_1 - d_2).$$

To define the adjoint operators, we have to introduce a Hermitian form on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}).$

It was shown in [FGZ] that if a Z-graded Lie algebra \mathfrak{l} admits an antilinear automorphism σ of order 2 such that $\sigma(\mathfrak{l}_n) = \mathfrak{l}_{-n}$, then there exists a Hermitian form on $\Lambda^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\mathfrak{l})$ such that

(6.18)
$$\varepsilon(x')^* = -\varepsilon(\sigma(x')), \quad \tau(x)^* = -\tau(\sigma(x)),$$

where $x \in \mathfrak{l}, x' \in \mathfrak{l}'$.

To define a Hermitian form $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$ on $\Lambda_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$, we set $\{\mathfrak{l}_{\text{rel}}, \mathfrak{l}_{\text{rel}}\} = 1$. We fix a basis $\{v_i\}$ of \mathfrak{g} so that $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$. Let u run through this basis. We define an antilinear automorphism σ of $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$ as follows:

(6.19)
$$\sigma(u_n) = iu_{-n}$$

Correspondingly,

(6.20)
$$\sigma(u'_n) = -iu'_{-n}$$

We introduce a Hermitian form on $\Lambda_{\rm rel}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ so that the relations (6.18), where

(6.21)
$$x \in \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_n, x' \in \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_n' \text{ for } n \neq 0$$

hold. In the similar way we introduce a Hermitian form on $S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$, such that

(6.22)
$$\gamma(x')^* = \gamma(\sigma(x')), \quad \beta(x)^* = -\beta(\sigma(x)).$$

Then we obtain a Hermitian form $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$ on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ by tensoring these two forms. It gives a pairing: $C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow C^{b,a}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$. To define a Hermitian form on $C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$, we use the linear map

(6.23)
$$*: C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow C^{b,a}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}),$$

defined as follows:

(6.24)
$$* \left(v \otimes \left(\varepsilon(u'_{n_1}) \cdots \varepsilon(u'_{n_a}) \tau(u_{m_1}) \cdots \tau(u_{m_b}) \mathbf{1}_{\mathrm{rel}} \right) \right)$$
$$= v \otimes \left(\varepsilon(u'_{-m_1}) \cdots \varepsilon(u'_{-m_b}) \tau(u_{-n_1}) \cdots \tau(u_{-n_a}) \mathbf{1}_{\mathrm{rel}} \right),$$

where $v \in S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$, $\{n_i\}_{i=1}^a > 0$ and $\{m_i\}_{i=1}^b < 0$. Finally, the Hermitian form on $C^{a,b}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ is defined by $(w_1, w_2) = \{i^{a+b} * w_1, w_2\}$ (cf. [FGZ]). We introduce the adjoint operators d^*, d_c^* and the Laplace operator $\Delta = dd^* + d^*d$.

It was pointed out in [FGZ] that as in the classical theory (see [GH]), there exists an action of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ on $H^*_{\infty}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l}_0,V)$. One can identify \mathfrak{l}'_n with \mathfrak{l}_{-n} by means of the cocycle γ . If $\{e_i\}$ is a homogeneous basis in \mathfrak{l} , then $\mathfrak{sl}(2) = \langle L, H, \Lambda \rangle$ is defined as follows:

(6.25)
$$L = (i/2) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus 0} \varepsilon(e_m) \varepsilon(e'_m),$$

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$$\begin{split} H &= -\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z} \backslash 0} : \tau(e_m) \varepsilon(e'_m) :, \\ \Lambda &= (i/2) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z} \backslash 0} \tau(e_m) \tau(e'_m). \end{split}$$

We identify $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}'_n$ with $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{-n}$ by means of the cocycle γ (see (6.11)), and set

(6.26)
$$\mathcal{E} = L, \mathcal{H} = H, \mathcal{F} = \Lambda.$$

Then we obtain the $\mathfrak{SL}(2) = \langle \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{F} \rangle$ defined in (5.10). The operators

$$\{\triangle, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{F}, d, d^*, d_c, d_c^*\}$$

are the analogues of the classical operators (6.9).

THEOREM 6.2. — Let \mathfrak{g} be a complex finite-dimensional Lie algebra with a non-degenerate invariant symmetric bilinear form. Then $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$ is a module over $\hat{\mathrm{Der}}S'(2,0)$ with central charge 3dimg.

Proof. — By Theorem 5.3, $W_{\rm rel}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ is a module over $\hat{\rm Der}S'(2,0)$ with central charge 3dimg. By Corollary 5.1, there is an action of $\hat{S}'(2,0)$ on $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}))$. We have proved that

(6.28)
$$\operatorname{Der}_{\mathrm{ext}}S'(2,0) = \mathcal{SL}(2) = \langle \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{F} \rangle$$

see (5.10). Notice that as in the classical case, the element \mathcal{F} and the differential d do not commute. Nevertheless, there exists an action of $\mathcal{SL}(2)$ on the relative semi-infinite cohomology according to [FGZ].

THEOREM 6.3. — The degree zero part of the \mathbb{Z} -grading deg of S'(2,0) is isomorphic to the Lie superalgebra of classical operators in Kähler geometry.

Proof. — Recall that the Z-grading deg of S'(2,0) is defined by the element $L_0 \in \text{Witt}$, see (4.17)-(4.19). One can easily check that

(6.29)
$$S'(2,0)_{\deg=0} = \langle L_0, E_{-1}, H_0, F_1, h_0^0, \mathfrak{p}_0, \mathfrak{x}_{-1}, \mathfrak{y}_1^0 \rangle.$$

The isomorphism of Lie superalgebras

$$(6.30) \qquad \qquad \psi: \mathbb{S} \longrightarrow S'(2,0)_{\deg=0}$$

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is given as follows:

(6.31)
$$\psi(\Delta) = L_0, \psi(L) = E_{-1}, \psi(H) = H_0, \psi(\Lambda) = F_1, \psi(d) = h_0^0, \psi(d^*) = -p_0, \psi(d_c) = x_{-1}, \psi(d_c^*) = y_1^0.$$

COROLLARY 6.1. — The action of $S'(2,0)_{\text{deg}=0}$ defines a set of quadratic operators on $W_{\text{rel}}^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$ (correspondingly, on $H^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}, \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_0, S^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})))$, which are analogues of the classical ones, and include the semi-infinite Koszul differential $\mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{h}_0^0$ and the semi-infinite homotopy operator \mathfrak{p}_0 .

Remark 6.1. — In this work we have realized superconformal algebras by means of quadratic expansions on the generators of the Heisenberg and Clifford algebras related to $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$. Note that the differentials on a semiinfinite Weil complex are represented by cubic expansions. One can possibly define an additional (to the already known) action of the N = 2 SCA on $W^{\frac{\infty}{2}+*}(\tilde{\mathfrak{g}})$, considering Fourier components of the differentials d and d^* , [Fe].

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