


NOETHERIANITY OF TWISTED ZHU'S ALGEBRAS AND BIMODULES

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Abstract In this paper, we show that for a large natural class of vertex operator algebras (VOAs) and their modules, the Zhu's algebras and bimodules (and their g -twisted analogs) are Noetherian. These carry important information about the representation theory of the VOA, and its fusion rules, and the Noetherian property gives the potential for (non-commutative) algebro-geometric methods to be employed in their study.

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1. Introduction

This paper is concerned with finiteness property of (twisted) Zhu's algebra and its bimodules. The Zhu's algebra and its twisted higher-level versions carry representation theoretical information about modules and twisted modules over vertex operator algebras (VOAs). Bimodules of Zhu's algebra have been used to compute (twisted) fusion rules. It has been observed in examples that Zhu's algebras are often Noetherian and even finite-dimensional. This is unexpected given the analogy between Zhu's algebra and universal enveloping algebra of a Lie algebra since it is an open problem whether the latter is Noetherian when the Lie algebra is not finite-dimensional [21]. By leveraging the relationships between the twisted Zhu's algebra and Zhu's C_2 -algebra, we show the Noetherianity for a large class.

In the study of the modular invariance property of VOAs, Zhu introduced an associative algebra $A(V)$ attached to a VOA of conformal field theory CFT-type [41]. Associated with an admissible V -module M , an $A(V)$ -bimodule $A(M)$ was introduced by Frenkel and Zhu in order to compute the fusion rules among irreducible modules over affine VOAs [18]. The main result in this paper is that $A(V)$, together with its g -twisted analog $A_g(V)$ [12] and bimodule $A_g(M)$ [20, 37], is left (or right) Noetherian if V is C_1 -cofinite [27, 30] and M is (weakly) C^g_1 -cofinite. If, in addition, V is C_2 -cofinite [41],

then the g -twisted higher order generalizations $A_{g,n}(V)$ [10, 11] and $A_{g,n}(M)$ [37] are finite-dimensional for all $n \geq 0$. These algebraic structures encode important information about the representation theory of the VOAs including the fusion rules. Noetherianity is one of the most important finiteness properties, which gives tools for their study, for instance from (non-commutative) algebraic geometry [6].

Zhu proved in [41] that there is a one-to-one correspondence between irreducible V -modules and irreducible $A(V)$ -modules, which leads to an equivalency between the categories of V -modules and $A(V)$ -modules for rational VOAs. Zhu's result was generalized by Dong, Li and Mason to the g -twisted case in [12], and higher order (twisted) cases in [10, 11], wherein the notions of g -twisted Zhu's algebra $A_g(V)$, higher order Zhu's algebra $A_n(V)$ for $n \geq 0$ and g -twisted higher order Zhu's algebra $A_{g,n}(V)$ were introduced, and the one-to-one correspondences between irreducible (g -twisted) V -modules and irreducible modules over these generalized Zhu's algebra were established. From this point of view, Zhu's algebra and its generalizations tell us about the representation theory of VOAs.

Dong, Li and Mason proved that $A(V)$ is finite-dimensional if V is C_2 -cofinite [12, 13]. For the classical non- C_2 -cofinite VOAs like the vacuum module VOA $V_{\mathfrak{g}}(\ell, 0)$, the Heisenberg VOA $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(\ell, 0)$ and the universal Virasoro VOA $\bar{V}(c, 0)$ [18, 28], their Zhu's algebra is isomorphic to $U(\mathfrak{g})$, $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and $\mathbb{C}[x]$, respectively. Although these associative algebras are infinite-dimensional, they are all Noetherian. Moreover, in numerous calculations for concrete examples [2, 3, 9, 15, 18, 39], we see that Zhu's algebra is close to a quotient algebra of certain universal enveloping algebra of a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . In fact, it was proved by He in [22] that the higher order Zhu's algebra $A_n(V)$ is isomorphic to a subquotient algebra of the degree zero part of the universal enveloping algebra $U(V)$ of a VOA defined by Frenkel and Zhu [18]. VOAs generalize Lie algebras and so the Noetherian property is unexpected given what is known about Lie algebras. For instance, if \mathfrak{g} is the Witt algebra, it was proved by Sierra and Walton that $U(\mathfrak{g})$ is *not* Noetherian [38]. Adding to the unexpectedness of the result, $A_g(V)$ is Noetherian for all C_1 -cofinite V , an unrestricted class, encompassing what are considered all reasonable examples, including the non- C_2 -cofinite VOAs mentioned above.

The Noetherianity for Zhu's algebra has been established as an ingredient for the study of the representation theory of C_1 -cofinite VOAs. It was used in a recent work of Damiolini, Gibney and Krashen in [6].

To state our main results, and describe how they are proved, we introduce some notation. Let V be a VOA of CFT-type, $g \in \text{Aut}(V)$ be an automorphism of order $T < \infty$, and $R_2(V) = V/C_2(V)$ be the C_2 -algebra [41]. It was observed by Zhu that $A(V)$ has a filtration $\{F_p A(V)\}_{p=0}^{\infty}$ obtained by the grading $V = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} V_p$. The associated graded algebra $\text{gr}A(V)$ is commutative and unital. Arakawa, Lam and Yamada observed that there is an epimorphism $R_2(V) \rightarrow \text{gr}A(V)$ of commutative algebras [3]. It turns out that this epimorphism is quite useful for the study of the structure theory of $A(V)$. Using this morphism, Yang and the author proved a Schur's lemma for C_1 -cofinite VOAs over an arbitrary field [40]. The twisted Zhu's algebra $A_g(V)$ carries a similar level filtration $\bigcup_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A_g(V)$, and there exists epimorphism from $R_2(V)$ to the associated graded algebra $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ as well. It was proved by Li that $R_2(V)$ is a finitely generated algebra if V is C_1 -cofinite [30, 32]. Combining these facts together, we can prove our first main theorem (see Theorem 3.1):

Theorem A. *Let V be a CFT-type VOA that is C_1 -cofinite, and let $g \in \text{Aut}(V)$ be a finite order automorphism. Then $A_g(V)$ is left and right Noetherian as an associative algebra.*

The $A(V)$ -bimodule $A(M)$ and its twisted analog $A_g(M)$ were introduced to compute the fusion rules among (g -twisted)-modules over V [18, 20, 31, 33]. Li introduced a cofinite condition for V -modules, which we call the *weakly C_1 -cofinite condition*, and proved that the fusion rule among three irreducible untwisted V -modules M^1, M^2 and M^3 is finite if M^1 is weakly C_1 -cofinite, see [30]. In order to handle the g -twisted case, we modify Li's cofinite condition and introduce a subspace $\tilde{C}_1^g(M)$ associated with M . We say that M is *weakly C_1^g -cofinite* if $\dim M/\tilde{C}_1^g(M) < \infty$, see Definition 2.5. Huang independently introduced another C_1 -cofinite condition for modules in [23], which is slightly stronger than Li's C_1 -condition, to guarantee the convergence of iterated intertwining operators. As an application, Huang also proved that the fusion rule among V -modules M^1, M^2 and M^3 is finite if M^1 is C_1 -cofinite. These C_1 -cofinite conditions for V -modules correspond to finite generation properties of the twisted bimodule $A_g(M)$ over twisted Zhu's algebra $A_g(V)$. The following is our second main theorem (see Theorem 3.3):

Theorem B. *Let M be an untwisted admissible V -module. Then*

- (1) $A_g(M)$ is finitely generated as a left or right $A_g(V)$ -module if M is C_1 -cofinite.
- (2) $A_g(M)$ is finitely generated as an $A_g(V)$ -bimodule if M is weakly C_1^g -cofinite.

In particular, for a C_1 -cofinite VOA V , $A_g(M)$ is Noetherian as a left or right $A_g(V)$ -module if M is C_1 -cofinite; $A_g(M)$ is Noetherian as an $A_g(V)$ -bimodule if M is weakly C_1^g -cofinite.

As a Corollary of Theorem B, using the g -twisted fusion rules theorem proved by Gao, the author and Zhu in [20], we can prove following finiteness property for fusion rules among g -twisted modules, which simultaneously generalizes both Li and Huang's result about finiteness of fusion rules under C_1 condition to the g -twisted case (see Corollary 3.4):

Corollary C. *Let M^1 be an untwisted ordinary V -module, and M^2, M^3 be g -twisted ordinary V -modules. If the M^1 is (weakly) C_1 -cofinite, then the fusion rule $N_{M^1}^{(M^3)}_{M^2}$ is finite.*

Theorem A gives us a sufficient condition for the Noetherianity of $A_g(V)$. In § 4, by giving a counter-example, we show that $A_g(V)$ is not Noetherian in general if the CFT-type VOA V is not C_1 -cofinite. Since the classical examples of CFT-type VOAs (rational or not) are all C_1 -cofinite [14], it is not trivial to find a CFT-type non- C_1 -cofinite VOA. The example we construct is a sub-VOA $V_M = \bigoplus_{\gamma \in M} M_{\hat{h}}(1, \gamma)$ of the lattice VOA V_{A_2} , where $M = \{m\alpha + n\beta : m \geq n \geq 1\} \cup \{0\}$ is an abelian submonoid of the root lattice A_2 , see Figure 1. This example is a modification of the Borel-type sub-VOA of a lattice VOA defined by the author in [34]. Using a similar method as in [34], we give an explicit description of the Zhu's algebra $A(V_M)$ of V_M . The non-Noetherianity follows from the

description. The following is our third main theorem (see Theorem 4.2, Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 4.8):

Theorem D. *Let $V_M = M_{\hat{h}}(1, 0) \oplus \bigoplus_{m \geq n \geq 1} M_{\hat{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta)$. Then*

- (1) $V_M/C_1(V_M)$ has a basis $\{\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M), e^{m\alpha + \beta} + C_1(V_M) : m \geq 1\}$. In particular, the CFT-type VOA V_M is not C_1 -cofinite.
- (2) $A(V_M) \cong \mathbb{C}[x, y] \oplus (\bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} z_m \mathbb{C}[y])$, where $J = \bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} z_m \mathbb{C}[y]$ is a two-sided ideal of $A(V_M)$ which is not finitely generated. In particular, $A(V_M)$ is not Noetherian.

The higher level generalization of Zhu’s algebra $A_n(V)$ was introduced by Dong, Li and Mason in [11] to study the rationality of VOAs. They proved that V is rational if and only if $A_n(V)$ are semisimple for all $n \geq 0$. $A_n(V)$ was further generalized to the g -twisted case in [10]. The g -twisted higher Zhu’s algebra $A_{g,n}(V)$ controls the first n level of a g -twisted admissible V -module M , where $n = l + \frac{i}{T}$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i < T - 1$. In § 5.1, we introduce a shifted level-filtration $\cup_{p=2l}^{\infty} F_p A_{g,n}(V)$ on $A_{g,n}(V)$ which is compatible with the product on $A_{g,n}(V)$, see Lemma 5.1. On the other hand, Zhu’s C_2 -algebra $R_2(V)$ also has a higher order generalization $R_{2l+2}(V) = V/C_{2l+2}(V)$. However, unlike $R_2(V)$, the associative algebra $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is not commutative in general. In § 5.2, we show that there is a surjective linear map $\varphi_n : R_{2l+2}(V) \rightarrow \text{gr}A_{g,n}(V)$, which is a homomorphism of associative algebras if $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, see Theorem 5.5.

Gabardiel and Neitzke proved that the C_2 -cofinite condition is strong enough so that it implies $\dim R_{2l+2}(V) < \infty$ for all $l \geq 0$, see [19]. Using this fact, Miyamoto proved that $A_n(V)$ are finite-dimensional for all $n \geq 0$ if V is C_2 -cofinite, which is a key property for the modular invariance of pseudo trace functions of C_2 -cofinite VOAs [36]. Buhl found a module version of Gabardiel and Neitzke’s theorem and proved that $A_n(M)$ are finite-dimensional for all $n \geq 0$ if V is C_2 -cofinite and M is C_2 -cofinite [4]. The finiteness of $A_n(M)$ could be useful in generalizing Huang’s modular invariance of logarithmic intertwining operators [25] to C_2 -cofinite but not necessarily rational VOAs. With the surjective linear map $\varphi_n : R_{2l+2}(V) \rightarrow \text{gr}A_{g,n}(V)$, we can prove our last main theorem, which is a twisted version of Miyamoto and Buhl’s finiteness results about $A_n(V)$ and $A_n(M)$ (see Corollaries 5.6 and 5.10):

Theorem E. *Let M be an untwisted irreducible admissible V -module, and let $n = l + \frac{i}{T} \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i < T - 1$.*

- (1) *If V is C_2 -cofinite, then $A_{g,n}(V)$ is a finite-dimensional associative algebra, and $A_{g,n}(M)$ is a finite-dimensional $A_{g,n}(V)$ -bimodule.*
- (2) *If $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, and $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is a finitely generated associative algebra, then $A_{g,n}(V)$ is left and right Noetherian. If, furthermore, M is C_{2l+1} -cofinite, then $A_{g,n}(M)$ is left and right Noetherian.*

We conjecture that $A_{g,n}(V)$ are left and right Noetherian for all $n \geq 0$ if V is C_1 -cofinite. According to a recent structural result about the higher order Zhu’s algebra of the Heisenberg VOA by Damiolini, Gibney and Krashen in [5], we know that this conjecture is true if V is the Heisenberg VOA and $g = \text{Id}_V$.

This paper is organized as follows: In § 2, we recall the definitions of g -twisted modules, twisted Zhu's algebra $A_g(V)$ and its bimodule $A_g(M)$, the C_2 -algebra $R_2(V)$ and its relation with the C_1 -cofinite condition. In § 3, we prove Theorem A, Theorem B and Corollary C. In § 4, we introduce the CFT-type VOA V_M and prove that it is not C_1 -cofinite. Then we determine the Zhu's algebra $A(V_M)$ and show that it is not Noetherian as claimed in Theorem D. In § 5, we first introduce a shifted level filtration on $A_{g,n}(V)$ and discuss its relations with the C_{2l+2} -algebra $R_{2l+2}(V)$, then we use it to prove Theorem E.

Convention: All vector spaces are defined over \mathbb{C} , the field of complex number. \mathbb{N} represents the set of natural numbers including 0.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. g -twisted modules over VOAs

For the definitions of VOAs, untwisted modules over VOAs, Zhu's algebra and its bimodule, we refer to [8, 16–18, 28, 41]. Throughout this paper, we assume a VOA $(V, Y, \mathbf{1}, \omega)$ is of *CFT-type*: $V = V_0 \oplus V_+$, where $V_0 = \mathbb{C}\mathbf{1}$ and $V_+ = \bigoplus_{n=1}^\infty V_n$.

Let $g : V \rightarrow V$ be an automorphism of V finite order T [17]. Then V has a g -eigenspace decomposition [7, 8]:

$$V = \bigoplus_{r=0}^{T-1} V^r, \quad \text{where } V^r = \{a \in V : g(a) = e^{\frac{2\pi ir}{T}} a\}. \tag{2.1}$$

In the rest of this paper, we fix an automorphism $g \in \text{Aut}(V)$ of order T .

Definition 2.1. [8, 12, 24] *A g -twisted weak V -module is a pair (M, Y_M) , where M is a vector space, and Y_M a linear map*

$$Y_M : V \rightarrow \text{End}(M)[[z^{1/T}, z^{-1/T}]]$$

$$a \mapsto Y_M(a, z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} a_n z^{-n-1-\frac{r}{T}}, \quad \text{for } a \in V^r,$$

satisfying the following properties:

- (a) (*truncation property*) For any $a \in V$ and $v \in M$, we have $a_n v = 0$ for $n \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$ and $n \gg 0$.
- (b) (*g -twisted Jacobi identity*) For any $a \in V^r$ with $0 \leq r \leq T-1$, and $b \in V$, we have

$$z_0^{-1} \delta \left(\frac{z_1 - z_2}{z_0} \right) Y_M(a, z_1) Y_M(b, z_2) - z_0^{-1} \delta \left(\frac{-z_2 + z_1}{z_0} \right) Y_M(b, z_2) Y_M(a, z_1)$$

$$= z_2^{-1} \delta \left(\frac{z_1 - z_0}{z_2} \right) \left(\frac{z_1 - z_0}{z_2} \right)^{-r/T} Y_M(Y(a, z_0)b, z_2). \tag{2.2}$$

A g -twisted weak V -module M is called admissible if M has a subspace decomposition:

$$M = \bigoplus_{n \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{N}} M(n),$$

such that $a_m M(n) \subseteq M(\text{wta} - m - 1 + n)$ for all $a \in V$ homogeneous, $m \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, and $n \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{N}$.

An admissible g -twisted V -module M is called an (ordinary) g -twisted V -module if there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, called the conformal weight, such that $M(n) = M_{\lambda+n}$ is an eigenspace of $L(0)$ of eigenvalue $\lambda + n$, and $M(n)$ is finite-dimensional, for all $n \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{N}$.

In particular, if $g = \text{Id}_V$ and $T = 1$, then Definition 2.1 recovers the usual definitions of weak V -modules, admissible V -modules and ordinary V -modules.

2.2. The g -twisted Zhu’s algebra $A_g(V)$ and its bimodule $A_g(M)$

The g -twisted Zhu’s algebra $A_g(V)$ was constructed by Dong, Li and Mason in [12], as a g -twisted generalization of the usual Zhu’s algebra $A(V)$ in [41], which controls the bottom level $M(0)$ of a g -twisted admissible V -module.

2.2.1. Definition of $A_g(V)$

By definition, for any $a \in V^r$ with $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$, and $b \in V$, let

$$a \circ_g b := \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wta}-1+\delta(r)+\frac{r}{T}}}{z^{1+\delta(r)}}, \quad \text{where } \delta(r) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } r > 0 \end{cases}. \quad (2.3)$$

Let $O_g(V) := \text{span}\{a \circ_g b : a \in V^r, 0 \leq r \leq T - 1, b \in V\}$, and $A_g(V) := V/O_g(V)$. Define

$$a *_g b := \begin{cases} \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wta}}}{z} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wta}}{j} a_{j-1} b & \text{if } a \in V^0 \\ 0 & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0. \end{cases} \quad (2.4)$$

By Theorem 2.4 in [12], $A_g(V)$ is an associative algebra with respect to the product (2.4), with unit element $[1] = \mathbf{1} + O_g(V)$. By Lemma 2.2 in [12], we have

$$a *_g b - b *_g a = \begin{cases} \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b (1+z)^{\text{wta}-1} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wta}-1}{j} a_j b & \text{if } a \in V^0 \\ 0 & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0. \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

2.2.2. Definition of $A_g(M)$

Let M be a (untwisted) admissible V -module. The $A_g(V)$ -bimodule $A_g(M)$ was first introduced in [37] as a g -twisted generalization of the $A(V)$ -bimodule $A(M)$ in [18]. One

can use $A_g(M)$ and $A_g(V)$ to calculate the fusion rules among one untwisted V -module M^1 and two g -twisted V -modules M^2 and M^3 , see [20].

Similar to (2.3), for any $a \in V^r$ with $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$, and $v \in M$, we let

$$a \circ_g v := \text{Res}_z Y_M(a, z)v \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a-1+\delta(r)+\frac{T}{T}}}{z^{1+\delta(r)}}. \tag{2.6}$$

Let $O_g(M) = \text{span}\{a \circ_g v : a \in V^r, 0 \leq r \leq T - 1, v \in M\}$, and $A_g(M) = M/O_g(M)$. Define:

$$a *_g v := \begin{cases} \text{Res}_z Y_M(a, z)v \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a}}{z} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wt}a}{j} a_{j-1}v & \text{if } a \in V^0 \\ 0 & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0, \end{cases} \tag{2.7}$$

$$v *_g a := \begin{cases} \text{Res}_z Y_M(a, z)v \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a-1}}{z} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wt}a-1}{j} a_{j-1}v & \text{if } a \in V^0 \\ 0 & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0. \end{cases} \tag{2.8}$$

Then $A_g(M)$ is a bimodule over $A_g(V)$ with respect to the left and right actions (2.7) and (2.8), see [37] Theorem 3.4 or [20] Lemma 6.1. The following formula follows immediately from (2.7) and (2.8):

$$a *_g v - v *_g a = \begin{cases} \text{Res}_z Y_M(a, z)v(1+z)^{\text{wt}a-1} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wt}-1}{j} a_jv & \text{if } a \in V^0 \\ 0 & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0. \end{cases} \tag{2.9}$$

Moreover, using the $L(-1)$ -derivative property of Y_M , one can show

$$\text{Res}_z Y_M(a, z)v \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a-1+\delta(r)+\frac{T}{T}+n}}{z^{1+\delta(r)+m}} \in O_g(M), \quad m \geq n \geq 0. \tag{2.10}$$

2.2.3. Level filtration on $A_g(V)$ and $A_g(M)$

For the general theory of filtered rings and modules, we refer to [35]. It was observed by Zhu in [41] that $A(V)$ has a canonical filtration obtained by the level decomposition of V :

$$A(V) = \bigcup_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A(V), \quad \text{where } F_p A(V) = (\oplus_{n=0}^p V_n + O(V)) / O(V).$$

We can similarly define the level filtration on $A_g(V)$ and $A_g(M)$ as follows:

$$A_g(V) = \bigcup_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A_g(V), \quad \text{where } F_p A_g(V) = (\oplus_{n=0}^p V_n + O_g(V)) / O_g(V). \tag{2.11}$$

$$A_g(M) = \bigcup_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A(M), \quad \text{where } F_p A_g(M) = (\bigoplus_{n=0}^p M(n) + O_g(M)) / O_g(M). \quad (2.12)$$

Lemma 2.2. *Let V be a VOA, and M be an admissible untwisted V -module. Then*

- (1) $A_g(V)$ is a filtered associated algebra with respect to the filtration (2.11), and the associated graded algebra

$$\text{gr}A_g(V) = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A_g(V) / F_{p-1} A_g(V) \quad \text{with } F_{-1} A_g(V) = 0$$

is a commutative associative algebra with respect to the product:

$$\begin{aligned} &([a] + F_{p-1} A_g(V)) *_g ([b] + F_{q-1} A_g(V)) \\ &= \begin{cases} [a_{-1}b] + F_{p+q-1} A_g(V) & \text{if } a \in V^0, \\ 0 + F_{p+q-1} A_g(V) & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

for any $a \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^p V_n$ and $b \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^q V_n$, and $p, q \geq 0$, with identity element $[1] \in F_0 A_g(V)$.

- (2) $A_g(M)$ is a filtered $A_g(V)$ -bimodule with respect to (2.11) and (2.12), and the associated graded space

$$\text{gr}A_g(M) = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A_g(M) / F_{p-1} A_g(M) \quad \text{with } F_{-1} A_g(M) = 0$$

is a graded $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ -module with respect to the module action:

$$\begin{aligned} &([a] + F_{p-1} A_g(V)) *_g ([v] + F_{q-1} A_g(M)) \\ &= \begin{cases} [a_{-1}v] + F_{p+q-1} A_g(M) & \text{if } a \in V^0, \\ 0 + F_{p+q-1} A_g(M) & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

for any $a \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^p V_n$ and $v \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^q M(n)$, and $p, q \geq 0$.

Proof. By (2.4), it is clear that $F_p A_g(V) *_g F_q A_g(V) \subseteq F_{p+q} A_g(V)$ for any $p, q \geq 0$, since we have $[a] *_g [b] = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wt}a}{j} [a_{j-1}b]$ or 0, and $\text{wt}(a_{j-1}b) = \text{wt}a - j + \text{wt}b \leq p + q$ for $a \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^p V_n$ and $b \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^q V_n$. Thus, $A_g(V)$ is a filtered algebra, and $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ is a graded algebra with respect to the product (2.13). Assume $a \in V^0$. By (2.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &([a] + F_{p-1}A_g(V)) *_g ([b] + F_{q-1}A_g(V)) - ([b] + F_{p-1}A_g(V)) *_g ([a] + F_{q-1}A_g(V)) \\
 &= \sum_{j \geq 0} [a_j b] + F_{p+q-1}A_g(V) = 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

since $wt a_j b = wta - j - 1 + wt b < p + q$ and so $[a_j b] \in F_{p+q-1}A_g(V)$ for all $j \geq 0$. If $a \in V^r$ with $r > 0$, clearly $[a] + F_{p-1}A_g(V)$ commutes with any other elements in $\text{gr}A_g(V)$. Thus, $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ is a commutative associative algebra.

Similarly, by (2.7) and (2.8), we have $F_pA_g(V) *_g F_qA_g(M) \subseteq F_{p+q}A_g(M)$ and $F_pA_g(M) *_g F_qA_g(V) \subseteq F_{p+q}A_g(M)$. Thus, $A_g(M)$ is a filtered $A_g(V)$ -bimodule, and $\text{gr}A_g(M)$ is a $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ -bimodule. By (2.9), the left and right $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ -module actions on $\text{gr}A_g(M)$ coincide. Hence $\text{gr}A_g(M)$ is a graded $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ -module with respect to (2.14). \square

2.3. The cofinite conditions of a VOA

The C_2 -cofinite condition of V was introduced by Zhu in [41] to guarantee the convergence of the n -point trace functions. By definition, $C_2(V) := \text{span}\{a_{-2}b : a, b \in V\}$, and V is called C_2 -cofinite if $\dim V/C_2(V) < \infty$. Zhu also proved in [41] that

$$R_2(V) = V/C_2(V) = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} V_p / (C_2(V) \cap V_p)$$

is a unital graded commutative associative algebra with respect to the product

$$(a + C_2(V)) \cdot (b + C_2(V)) = a_{-1}b + C_2(V), \quad a, b \in V, \tag{2.15}$$

with identity element $\mathbf{1} + C_2(V)$.

The notion of a strongly generated VOA was introduced by Kac [26]:

Definition 2.3. *Let V be a VOA, and $U \subseteq V$ be a subset. V is said to be strongly generated by U if V is spanned by elements of the form:*

$$a_{-n_1}^1 \dots a_{-n_r}^r u,$$

where $a^1, \dots, a^r, u \in U$ and $n_i \geq 1$ for all i . If V is strongly generated by a finite dimensional subspace, then V is called strongly finitely generated.

In the study of the strong generation property and Poincaré–Birkhoff–Witt PBW-basis of VOAs, Li introduced a similar condition in [27, 30], called C_1 -cofiniteness. By definition,

$$C_1(V) = \text{span}\{a_{-1}b : a, b \in V_+\} + \text{span}\{L(-1)c : c \in V\}, \tag{2.16}$$

and V is called C_1 -cofinite if $\dim V/C_1(V) < \infty$. It is clear that $C_2(V) \subseteq C_1(V)$. Hence any C_2 -cofinite VOA is also C_1 -cofinite. The following theorem that relates the C_1 -cofinite condition with the strong generation property of a VOA was proved by Li, see [27, 30, 32]:

Theorem 2.4. *Let V be a VOA, and $U \subseteq V_+$ be a graded subspace. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1) V is strongly generated by U .
- (2) $V_+ = U + C_1(V)$ as vector spaces.
- (3) $(U + C_2(V))/C_2(V)$ generates $R_2(V)$ as commutative algebra.

In particular, V is strongly finitely generated if and only if V is C_1 -cofinite, if and only if $R_2(V)$ is a finitely generated commutative algebra.

The C_1 -cofiniteness condition for V -modules was introduced by Huang in [23]. By definition, an admissible V -module M is called C_1 -cofinite if $\dim M/C_1(M) < \infty$, where

$$C_1(M) := \text{span}\{a_{-1}v : a \in V_+, v \in M\}. \tag{2.17}$$

There is a similar subspace of M introduced by Li in [30]:

$$B(M) := \text{span}\{a_{-1}v : a \in V_+, v \in M\} + \text{span}\{b_0u : b \in \bigoplus_{n \geq 2} V_n, u \in M\}. \tag{2.18}$$

We need to adjust the definition of $B(M)$ a little bit to make it compatible with $A_g(M)$:

$$\tilde{C}_1^g(M) := \text{span}\{a_{-1}v : a \in V_+, v \in M\} + \text{span}\{b_0u : b \in \bigoplus_{n \geq 2} V_n \cap V^0, u \in M\}, \tag{2.19}$$

where $V^0 \subset V$ is the fixed point sub-VOA (2.1) with respect to g . Then $\tilde{C}_1^g(M) = B(M)$ if $g = \text{Id}_V$. Observe that the space spanned by b_0u in (2.19) is non-zero, since $\omega \in \bigoplus_{n \geq 2} V_n \cap V^0$ and there exists $u \in M \setminus \{0\}$ such that $\omega_0u = L(-1)u \neq 0$, see [29].

Definition 2.5. *Let M be an admissible untwisted V -module. We say that M is weakly C_1 -cofinite if $\dim M/B(M) < \infty$; we say that M is weakly C_1^g -cofinite if $\dim M/\tilde{C}_1^g(M) < \infty$.*

Since $C_1(M) \subseteq \tilde{C}_1^g(M) \subseteq B(M)$, the following lemma is evident:

Lemma 2.6. *Let M be an admissible V -module. If M is C_1 -cofinite, then it must be weakly C_1^g -cofinite. If M is weakly C_1^g -cofinite, then it must be weakly C_1 -cofinite.*

However, the converse of these statements is not true.

Example 2.7. Let $V = \bar{V}(c, 0)$ be the universal Virasoro VOA with central charge $c > 0$. It is well-known that the Verma module $M = M(c, h)$ over the Virasoro Lie algebra of central charge c and highest weight $h > 0$ is an admissible module over V , see [18, 28]. Recall that

$$M(c, h) = \text{span}\{L(-n_1)L(-n_2) \cdots L(-n_n)v_{c,h} : n_1 \geq n_2 \geq \cdots \geq n_k \geq 1\}.$$

Then $M(c, h) = \mathbb{C}v_{c,h} + B(M(c, h))$ in view of (2.18). Hence $M(c, h)$ is weakly C_1 -cofinite. However, $M(c, h) = \text{span}\{L(-1)^k v_{c,h} : k \geq 0\} + C_1(M(c, h))$, and $L(-1)^k v_{c,h} \neq 0$ for all $k \geq 0$ in a Verma module. Thus, $M(c, h)$ is not C_1 -cofinite.

Finally, we recall the following fact about the Noetherianity of a filtered ring, see Theorem 6.9 in [35].

Proposition 2.8. *Let R be a filtered ring such that the associated graded ring $\text{gr}R$ is left (respectively right) Noetherian, then R is left (respectively right) Noetherian.*

3. Noetherianity of twisted Zhu's algebra and its bimodule

We prove our main theorem of this paper in this section.

3.1. Noetherianity of $A_g(V)$ for C_1 -cofinite VOA V

In the study of Zhu's algebra of the parafermion VOAs [3], Arakawa, Lam and Yamada introduced an epimorphism of commutative associative algebras:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : R_2(V) &\rightarrow \text{gr}A(V) = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A(V) / F_{p-1} A(V), \\ a + C_2(V) &\mapsto [a] + F_{p-1} A(V), \quad a \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^p V_n, \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

where $\text{gr}A(V)$ is the graded algebra in 2.2 with $g = \text{Id}_V$. This map was also used to prove the Schur's Lemma for irreducible modules of VOAs over an arbitrary field in [40].

Theorem 3.1. *Let V be a VOA, and $g \in \text{Aut}(V)$ be a finite order automorphism. If V is strongly finitely generated, or equivalently, C_1 -cofinite, then $A_g(V)$ is left and right Noetherian.*

Proof. First, we generalize the epimorphism (3.1) to the following g -twisted case:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi : R_2(V) &\rightarrow \text{gr}A_g(V) = \bigoplus_{p=0}^{\infty} F_p A_g(V) / F_{p-1} A_g(V), \\ a + C_2(V) &\mapsto [a] + F_{p-1} A_g(V), \quad a \in \bigoplus_{n=0}^p V_n. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

For any $a \in V_p$ and $b \in V_q$ with $p, q \geq 0$, we have $[a_{-2}b] \in F_{p+q+1}A_g(V)$. To show φ is well-defined, we need to show $[a_{-2}b] \equiv 0 \pmod{F_{p+q}A_g(V)}$. We may also assume $a \in V^r$ for some $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$. If $r = 0$, by (2.3), we have $[a \circ_g b] = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wt}a}{j} [a_{j-2}b] = [0]$ in $A_g(V)$. Hence

$$[a_{-2}b] = - \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}a}{j} [a_{j-2}b] \in F_{p+q}A_g(V)$$

since $\text{wt}(a_{j-2}b) = p - j + 1 + q \leq p + q$. If $r > 0$, by Lemma 2.2 in [12], we have

$$\text{Res}_z Y(a, z)b \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a-1+\frac{r}{T}}}{z^2} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wt}a-1+\frac{r}{T}}{j} a_{j-2}b \in O_g(V).$$

Hence $[a_{-2}b] = -\sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}a - 1 + \frac{r}{T}}{j} [a_{j-2}b] \in F_{p+q}A_g(V)$, and so φ is well-defined.

Clearly, φ is surjective and grading-preserving. Next, we show that φ is a homomorphism of commutative algebras. Let $a \in V^0 \cap V_p$ and $b \in V_q$, by (2.15) and (2.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi((a + C_2(V)) \cdot (b + C_2(V))) &= \varphi(a_{-1}b + C_2(V)) = [a_{-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_g(V) \\ &= ([a] + F_{p-1}A_g(V)) *_g ([b] + F_{q-1}A_g(V)) \\ &= \varphi(a + C_2(V)) *_g \varphi(b + C_2(V)). \end{aligned}$$

Now let $a \in V^r \cap V_p$ and $b \in V_q$, for some $1 \leq r \leq T - 1$. By (2.3), we have

$$a_{-1}b \equiv -\sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}a - 1 + \frac{r}{T}}{j} a_{j-1}b \pmod{O_g(V)}.$$

Then $[a_{-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_g(V) = -\sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}a - 1 + \frac{r}{T}}{j} [a_{j-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_g(V) = 0 + F_{p+q-1}A_g(V)$ since $\text{wt}(a_{j-1}b) = p + q - j \leq p + q - 1$ for any $j \geq 1$. Thus,

$$\varphi(a + C_2(V) \cdot (b + C_2(V))) = [a_{-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_g(V) = 0 = \varphi(a + C_2(V)) *_g \varphi(b + C_2(V)),$$

in view of (2.13). Hence φ in (3.2) is an grading-preserving epimorphism of commutative algebras. Since V is strongly finitely generated, there exists a subspace $U = \text{span}\{a^1, \dots, a^m\} \subset V$ of homogeneous elements $a^1 \in V_{p_1}, \dots, a^m \in V_{p_m}$ that strongly generates V . By Theorem 2.4, $R(V)$ is generated by $\{a^1 + C_2(V), \dots, a^m + C_2(V)\}$ as a commutative algebra. Since φ is an epimorphism, $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ is generated by $\{[a^1] + F_{p_1-1}A_g(V), \dots, [a^m] + F_{p_m-1}A_g(V)\}$ as a commutative algebra. In particular, $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ is Noetherian since it is quotient ring of the polynomial ring $\mathbb{C}[T_1, \dots, T_m]$. Then by Proposition 2.8, $A_g(V)$ is also left Noetherian. \square

Remark 3.2. If $g = \text{Id}_V$, we have $A_g(V) = A(V)$. Note that the conclusion in Theorem 3.1 does not depend on the choice of g . Thus, $A(V)$ is Noetherian if V is C_1 -cofinite.

3.2. Noetherianity of $A_g(M)$ for (weakly) C_1 -cofinite V -module M

Let M be an admissible untwisted V -module. It was proved by Li that if $M = W + \tilde{C}_1(M)$, then $A(M)$ is generated by $(W + O(M))/O(M)$ as an $A(V)$ -bimodule, see [30] Proposition 3.16. We have a similar result about $A_g(M)$, combined with Huang’s C_1 -cofinite condition (2.17).

Theorem 3.3. *Let M be an admissible untwisted V -module.*

(1) *Let $M = U + C_1(M)$ and $U = \text{span}\{u^i : i \in I\}$. Then*

$$A_g(M) = \sum_{i \in I} A_g(V) *_g [u^i] = \sum_{i \in I} [u^i] *_g A_g(V) \tag{3.3}$$

as a left or right $A_g(V)$ -module. In particular, $A_g(M)$ is Noetherian as a left or right $A_g(V)$ -module if V is C_1 -cofinite and M is C_1 -cofinite.

(2) Let $M = W + \widehat{C}_1^g(M)$ and $W = \text{span}\{w^j : j \in J\}$. Then

$$A_g(M) = \sum_{j \in J} A_g(V) *_g [w^j] *_g A_g(V) \tag{3.4}$$

as an $A_g(V)$ -bimodule. In particular, $A_g(M)$ is Noetherian as an $A_g(V)$ -bimodule if V is C_1 -cofinite and M is weakly C^g_1 -cofinite.

Proof. (1) Denote the right submodule $\sum_{i \in I} [u^i] *_g A_g(V)$ of $A_g(M)$ by N . We use induction on degree n of $M(n)$ to show $[M(n)] \subseteq N$ in $A_g(M)$. Since $\text{deg}(a_{-1}v) = \text{wta} + \text{deg } v \geq 1$ for any $a \in V_+$, we have $C_1(M) \subseteq \oplus_{m \geq 1} M(m)$. So $M(0) \subseteq U$ and $[M(0)] \subseteq N$. Suppose the conclusion holds for smaller n . Let $x \in M(n)$. We may assume

$$x = u + \sum_{k=1}^s a_{-1}^k v^k, \quad u \in U, \quad a^k \in V_+ \cap V^r, \quad 0 \leq r \leq T-1, \quad v^k \in M,$$

with $\text{wta}^k + \text{deg } v^k = n$ for all k . Since $[u] \in N$, we need to show $[a_{-1}^k v^k] \in N$ for all $1 \leq k \leq s$.

Fix a $1 \leq k \leq s$. If $r = 0$, by (2.8), we have

$$[a_{-1}^k v^k] = [v^k] *_g [a^k] - \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wta} - 1}{j} [a_{j-1}^k v^k]. \tag{3.5}$$

Note that $\text{deg } v^k < n$ since $\text{wta}^k \geq 1$. By the induction hypothesis, we have $[v^k] \in N$ which is a right $A_g(V)$ -module. Hence $[v^k] *_g [a^k] \in N$. Moreover, since $\text{deg}(a_{j-1}^k v^k) = \text{wta}^k - j + \text{deg } v^k < n$ for any $j \geq 1$, we have $[a_{j-1}^k v^k] \in N$ by the induction hypothesis. Thus $[a_{-1}^k v^k] \in N$ in view of (3.5). If $r > 0$, by (2.6), we have the following equation in $A_g(M)$:

$$[a^k \circ_g v^k] = [a_{-1}^k v^k] + \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wta}^k - 1 + \frac{r}{T}}{j} [a_{j-1}^k v^k] = 0.$$

Since $\text{wt}(a_{j-1}^k v^k) < n$ for any $j \geq 1$, we have $[a_{j-1}^k v^k] = -\sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wta}^k - 1 + \frac{r}{T}}{j} [a_{j-1}^k v^k] \in N$ by the induction hypothesis. This proves $[M(n)] \subseteq N$ and finishes the induction step. Using a similar argument, we can show $A_g(M) = \sum_{i \in I} A_g(V) *_g [u^i]$. Assume V is C_1 -cofinite and M is C_1 -cofinite. By Theorem 3.1, $A_g(V)$ is a left (respectively right) Noetherian algebra. By (3.3), $A_g(M)$ is a finitely generated left (respectively right) $A_g(V)$ -module. Thus, $A_g(M)$ is left (respectively right) Noetherian as a left (respectively right) $A_g(V)$ -module.

The proof of (2) is similar to the proof of (1) and the proof of Proposition 3.16 in [30], we briefly sketch it. Again, we may denote $\sum_{j \in J} A_g(V) *_g [w^j] *_g A_g(V)$ by N' and use

induction on the degree n to show that $[M(n)] \subseteq N'$. Assume the conclusion holds for smaller n , for $y \in M(n) = W \cap M(n) + \tilde{C}_1^g(M) \cap M(n)$, we may express it as

$$y = w + \sum_{k=1}^s a_{-1}^k v^k + \sum_{l=1}^t b_0^l u^l, \quad w \in W, \quad a^k \in V_+ \cap V^r, \quad b^l \in \bigoplus_{p \geq 2} V_p \cap V^0, \quad v^k, u^l \in M,$$

with $\deg(a_{-1}^k v^k) = \deg(b_0^l u^l) = n$ for all k, l . By adopting a similar argument as above, we can show $[a_{-1}^k v^k] \in N'$ for all k . Moreover, using the facts that

$$b *_g u - u *_g b \equiv \text{Res}_z Y_M(b, z) u (1+z)^{\text{wt}b-1} \pmod{O_g(M)},$$

for $b \in V^0$ and $u \in M$, and $\deg(b_j^l u^l) < n$ for any $j \geq 1$, we have

$$[b_0^l u^l] = - \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}b^l - 1}{j} [b_j^l u^l] + [b^l] *_g [u^l] - [u^l] *_g [b^l] \in N' \tag{3.6}$$

for all l by the induction hypothesis. Thus $[y] = [w] + \sum_{k=1}^s [a_{-1}^k v^k] + \sum_{l=1}^t [b_0^l u^l] \in N'$. \square

Using Theorem 3.3, we can generalize Corollary 3.17 in [30] and Theorem 3.1 in [23] about the finiteness of fusion rules under C_1 -cofinite condition to the g -twisted case:

Corollary 3.4. *Let M^1 be an untwisted ordinary V -module, and M^2, M^3 be g -twisted ordinary V -modules. If the M^1 is weakly C_{g_1} -cofinite, then the fusion rule $N\left(\begin{smallmatrix} M^3 \\ M^1 \ M^2 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$ is finite.*

Proof. Since M^1 is C_1 -cofinite implies M^1 is weakly C_1 -cofinite, it suffices to prove the finiteness of $N\left(\begin{smallmatrix} M^3 \\ M^1 \ M^2 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$ when M^1 is weakly C_1 -cofinite. The following estimate for the fusion rule was proved by Gao, the author and Zhu, see [20] Theorem 6.5:

$$N\left(\begin{smallmatrix} M^3 \\ M^1 \ M^2 \end{smallmatrix}\right) \leq \dim(M^3(0)^* \otimes_{A_g(V)} A_g(M) \otimes_{A_g(V)} M^2(0))^*. \tag{3.7}$$

Let $M = W + \tilde{C}_1(M)$, where $W = \text{span}\{w^1, \dots, w^n\}$. Then by (3.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & M^3(0)^* \otimes_{A_g(V)} A_g(M) \otimes_{A_g(V)} M^2(0) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n M^3(0)^* \otimes_{A_g(V)} A_g(V) *_g [w^j] *_g A_g(V) \otimes_{A_g(V)} M^2(0) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n M^3(0)^* \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}[w^j] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} M^2(0), \end{aligned}$$

which is finite-dimensional since $M^2(0)$ and $M^3(0)$ are both finite-dimensional by Definition 2.1. Hence $N\left(\begin{smallmatrix} M^3 \\ M^1 \ M^2 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$ is finite, in view of (3.7). \square

Then V_M is of CFT-type. In the rest of this section, we fix the VOA V_M as in (4.2). We will show that V_M is not C_1 -cofinite, and $A(V_M)$ is not Noetherian.

Lemma 4.1. *For any $m \geq 1$, we have $e^{m\alpha+\beta} \notin C_1(V_M)$.*

Proof. In view of (4.2) and (2.16), we can express $C_1(V_M)$ as follows:

$$C_1(V_M) = \text{span}\{u_{-1}v : u \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma) \cap (V_M)_+, v \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma') \cap (V_M)_+, \gamma, \gamma' \in M\} \\ + \text{span}\{L(-1)w : w \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \theta) \cap (V_M)_+, \theta \in M\}.$$

Suppose $e^{m\alpha+\beta} \in C_1(V_M)$ for some $m \geq 1$. Note that $u_{-1}v \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma + \gamma')$ for $u \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma)$ and $v \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma')$, and $L(-1)M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \theta) \subseteq M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \theta)$. Moreover, if γ, γ' are non-zero elements in M (4.1), then $\gamma + \gamma' \neq m\alpha + \beta$. Since the Heisenberg modules $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta)$ are in direct sum in (4.2), and $C_1(V_M)$ is a graded subspace of V_M , it follows that $e^{m\alpha+\beta}$ must be contained in $W_1 + W_2 + W_3 \subset C_1(V_M)$, where

$$W_1 = \text{span}\{u_{-1}v : u \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \cap (V_M)_+, v \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, 0) \cap (V_M)_+\}, \\ W_2 = \text{span}\{u'_{-1}v' : u' \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, 0) \cap (V_M)_+, v' \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \cap (V_M)_+\}, \\ W_3 = \text{span}\{L(-1)w : w \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \cap (V_M)_+\}.$$

Note that $W_1, W_2 \subset M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta) = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)_{(m^2-m+1)+k}$, where $m^2 - m + 1 = \text{wt}(e^{m\alpha+\beta})$. For homogeneous elements $u \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \cap (V_M)_+$ and $v \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, 0) \cap (V_M)_+$, since $\text{wt}v > 0$, we must have $u_{-1}v \in \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)_{(m^2-m+1)+k}$ as $\text{wt}(u_{-1}v) = \text{wt}u + \text{wt}v > \text{wt}u \geq m^2 - m + 1$. This shows $W_1, W_2 \subseteq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)_{(m^2-m+1)+k}$. On the other hand, since $\text{wt}(L(-1)w) = \text{wt}w + 1$, it is clear that $W_3 \subseteq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)_{(m^2-m+1)+k}$. Then we have

$$e^{m\alpha+\beta} \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)_{m^2-m+1} \cap \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)_{(m^2-m+1)+k} = 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Thus, $e^{m\alpha+\beta} \notin C_1(V_M)$ for any $m \geq 1$. □

Theorem 4.2. $V_M/C_1(V_M)$ has a basis $\{\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M), e^{m\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M) : m \geq 1\}$. In particular, the CFT-type VOA V_M is not C_1 -cofinite.

Proof. Since $(m\alpha + n\beta | m\alpha + n\beta) / 2 = m^2 - mn + n^2 \geq 1$ for all $m \geq n \geq 1$, we have $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \subseteq (V_M)_+$ for any such a pair of m, n . Also note that $a_{-n}b \in C_1(V_M)$ for any $a, b \in (V_M)_+$ and $n \geq 1$ since $C_1(V) \supset C_2(V) \supset C_3(V) \supset \dots$, see [30].

First, we show that $e^{m\alpha+n\beta} \in C_1(V_M)$ for any $m \geq n \geq 2$. Indeed, for any $m \geq n \geq 1$, since $(\alpha + \beta | m\alpha + n\beta) = m + n \geq 2$, by the definition of lattice vertex operators, we have

$$e_{-m-n-1}^{\alpha+\beta} e^{m\alpha+n\beta} = \text{Res}_z E^-(-\alpha - \beta, z) E^+(-\alpha - \beta, z) e_{\alpha+\beta} z^{\alpha+\beta} e^{m\alpha+n\beta} \\ = (-1)^m e^{(m+1)\alpha + (n+1)\beta} \in C_1(V_M).$$

Hence $e^{(m+1)\alpha+(n+1)\beta} \in C_1(V_M)$ for any $(m+1) \geq (n+1) \geq 2$. This proves $e^{m\alpha+n\beta} \in C_1(V_M)$ for any $m \geq n \geq 2$. Since $h(-n)C_1(V_M) \subseteq C_1(V_M)$ for any $h \in \mathfrak{h}$ and $n \geq 1$, we have $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \subseteq C_1(V_M)$ for any $m \geq n \geq 2$. Then by the decomposition (4.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} V_M/C_1(V_M) &= \left(M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, 0) + \sum_{m \geq 1} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \right) + C_1(V_M) \\ &= \text{span}\{\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M), e^{m\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M) : m \geq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

It remains to show $\{\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M), e^{m\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M) : m \geq 1\}$ are linearly independent.

Note that $\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M) \neq 0$ in view of (2.16). By Lemma 4.1, $e^{m\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M) \neq 0$ for any $m \geq 1$. Since $L(0)(u_{-1}v) = u_{-1}L(0)v + (L(0)u)_{-1}v$ and $L(0)L(-1)w = L(-1)L(0)w$, we have $L(0)C_1(V_M) \subseteq C_1(V_M)$. Hence $L(0) : V_M/C_1(V_M) \rightarrow V_M/C_1(V_M), a + C_1(V_M) \mapsto L(0)a + C_1(V_M)$ is a well-defined linear map. Since $L(0)e^{m\alpha+\beta} = (m^2 - m + 1)e^{m\alpha+\beta}$, it follows that $\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M), e^{\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M), e^{2\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M), e^{3\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M), \dots$ are eigenvectors of $L(0)$ of distinct eigenvalues. Thus, $\{\mathbf{1} + C_1(V_M), e^{m\alpha+\beta} + C_1(V_M) : m \geq 1\}$ is a basis of $V_M/C_1(V_M)$. \square

Remark 4.3. From the proofs of Lemma 4.1 and Theorem 4.2, we see that the essential reason why V_M is not C_1 -cofinite is that the chain of lattice points $\{\alpha + \beta, 2\alpha + \beta, 3\alpha + \beta, \dots\}$, which is the first horizontal row of red dots in Figure 1, cannot be generated by finitely many points in the submonoid M . Using this idea, one can construct many examples of non- C_1 -cofinite CFT-type VOAs inside a lattice VOA.

4.2. Non-Noetherianity of the Zhu's algebra of V_M

We determine the (untwisted) Zhu's algebra of V_M (4.2) based on a similar method as in [34]. In particular, we will see that $A(V_M)$ is not Noetherian. Hence our example V_M in this section verifies Theorem 3.1 when $g = \text{Id}_V$.

4.2.1. A spanning set of $O(V_M)$

Lemma 4.4. For any $m \geq n \geq 2$, we have $e^{m\alpha+n\beta} \in O(V_M)$.

Proof. Similar to the proof of Theorem 4.2, for any $m \geq n \geq 1$, since $(\alpha + \beta | m\alpha + n\beta) = m + n \geq 2$, we have the following formula for any $k \geq 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} e_{-k-1}^{\alpha+\beta} e^{m\alpha+n\beta} &= \text{Res}_z (-1)^m E^{-}(-\alpha - \beta, z) z^{(\alpha+\beta | m\alpha+n\beta) - k - 1} e^{(m+1)\alpha+(n+1)\beta} \\ &= \begin{cases} (-1)^m e^{(m+1)\alpha+(n+1)\beta} & \text{if } k = m + n, \\ 0 & \text{if } k < m + n. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Then by (2.10) with $M = V$ and $g = \text{Id}_V$, noting that $\text{wt}(e^{\alpha+\beta}) = 2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_z Y(e^{\alpha+\beta}, z) e^{m\alpha+n\beta} \frac{(1+z)^2}{z^{m+n+1}} \\ = e_{-m-n-1}^{\alpha+\beta} e^{m\alpha+n\beta} + 2e_{-m-n}^{\alpha+\beta} e^{m\alpha+n\beta} + e_{-m-n+1}^{\alpha+\beta} e^{m\alpha+n\beta} \\ = (-1)^m e^{(m+1)\alpha+(n+1)\beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{O(V_M)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $e^{(m+1)\alpha+(n+1)\beta} \in O(V_M)$ for any $(m+1) \geq (n+1) \geq 2$. □

Let O be the subspace of V_M spanned by the following elements:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} h(-n-2)u + h(-n-1)u, \quad u \in V_M, \text{ and } n \geq 0, \\ m\alpha(-1)v + \beta(-1)v + (m^2 - m + 1)v, \quad v \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta), \quad m \geq 1, \\ M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta), \quad m \geq n \geq 2. \end{array} \right. \quad (4.3)$$

Lemma 4.5. *We have $O \subseteq O(V_M)$ as subspace of V_M .*

Proof. Clearly, $h(-n-2)u + h(-n-1)u \in O(V_M)$ for any $u \in V_M$. Let $m \geq 1$. Note that $e_{-2}^{m\alpha+\beta} \mathbf{1} = \text{Res}_z E^{-}(-\alpha - \beta, z) z^{-2} e^{m\alpha+\beta} = m\alpha(-1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} + \beta(-1)e^{m\alpha+\beta}$. Since $\text{wt}(e^{m\alpha+\beta}) = m^2 - m + 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{m\alpha+\beta} \circ \mathbf{1} &= \text{Res}_z Y(e^{m\alpha+\beta}, z) \mathbf{1} \frac{(1+z)^{m^2-m+1}}{z^2} = e_{-2}^{m\alpha+\beta} \mathbf{1} + (m^2 - m + 1)e_{-1}^{m\alpha+\beta} \mathbf{1} \\ &= m\alpha(-1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} + \beta(-1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} + (m^2 - m + 1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{O(V_M)}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\alpha(-1)$ and $\beta(-1)$ commute with $h(-n)$, for any $h \in \mathfrak{h}$ and $n \geq 1$, we have $m\alpha(-1)v + \beta(-1)v + (m^2 - m + 1)v \in O(V_M)$, for any $v = h^1(-n_1) \cdots h^r(-n_r) e^{m\alpha+\beta} \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, 0)$.

Finally, for $m \geq m \geq 2$, let $w = h^1(-n_1 - 1) \cdots h^r(-n_r - 1) e^{m\alpha+\beta}$ be a spanning element of $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta)$, where $n_1 \geq \cdots \geq n_r \geq 0$. Since $h(-n-1)v \equiv (-1)^n v * (h(-1)\mathbf{1}) \pmod{O(V_M)}$ for any $h \in \mathfrak{h}$ and $v \in V_M$ by (2.8), we have

$$w \equiv (-1)^{n_1+\cdots+n_r} e^{m\alpha+\beta} * (h^1(-1)\mathbf{1}) * \dots * (h^r(-1)\mathbf{1}) \pmod{O(V_M)}.$$

Moreover, by Theorem 2.1.1 in [41], $O(V_M) * V_M \subseteq O(V_M)$. It follows from Lemma 4.4 that $w \in O(V_M)$. Hence $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \subseteq O(V_M)$ for any $m \geq m \geq 2$. □

Conversely, we want to show $O(V_M) \subseteq O$. By (4.2), it suffices to show $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma) \circ M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, \gamma') \subseteq O$, for any $\gamma, \gamma' \in M$. If $\gamma = m\alpha + n\beta$ and $\gamma' = m'\alpha + n'\beta$, where $m \geq n \geq 1$ and $m' \geq n' \geq 1$, then $\gamma + \gamma' = (m + m')\alpha + (n + n')\beta$, with $m + m' \geq n + n' \geq 2$. By (4.3), we have

$$M_{\hbar}(1, \gamma) \circ M_{\hbar}(1, \gamma') \subseteq M_{\hbar}(1, \gamma + \gamma') \subset O.$$

Moreover, if $m \geq n \geq 2$, we also have $M_{\hbar}(1, 0) \circ M_{\hbar}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \subset O$ and $M_{\hbar}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \circ M_{\hbar}(1, 0) \subset O$. Hence we only need to show

$$M_{\hbar}(1, 0) \circ M_{\hbar}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \subset O \quad \text{and} \quad M_{\hbar}(1, m\alpha + \beta) \circ M_{\hbar}(1, 0) \subset O, \tag{4.4}$$

for any $m \geq 1$. The proof of (4.4) is a slight modification of the induction process in Section 3.2 in [34], we omit the details. In conclusion, we have the following:

Proposition 4.6. *Let O be the subspace of V_M spanned by elements in (4.3). Then $O = O(V_M)$.*

4.2.2. Structure of $A(V_M)$

Consider the associative algebra

$$A_M = \mathbb{C} \langle x, y, z_1, z_2, \dots \rangle / R, \tag{4.5}$$

where $\mathbb{C} \langle x, y, z_1, z_2, \dots \rangle$ is the tensor algebra on infinitely many generators x, y, z_1, z_2, \dots , and R is the two-sided ideal generated by the following elements:

$$\begin{aligned} xy - yx, \quad z_m(mx + y) + (m^2 - m + 1)z_m, \quad m \geq 1, \quad z_i z_j, \quad i, j \geq 1, \\ xz_m - z_m x - (2m - 1)z_m, \quad yz_m - z_m y - (2 - m)z_m, \quad m \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

It is clear that A_M has the following subspace decomposition:

$$A_M = \mathbb{C}[x, y] \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} z_m \mathbb{C}[y] \right), \tag{4.7}$$

where $z_m \mathbb{C}[y]$ is a vector space with basis $\{z_m, z_m y, z_m y^2, \dots\}$, and we use the same symbols x, y, z_m to denote their equivalent classes in the quotient space.

Theorem 4.7. *Define an algebra homomorphism $F : \mathbb{C} \langle x, y, z_1, z_2, \dots \rangle \rightarrow A(V_M)$ by letting*

$$F(x) := [\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}], \quad F(y) := [\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}], \quad F(z_m) = [e^{m\alpha+\beta}], \quad m \geq 1. \tag{4.8}$$

Then F factors through A_M and induces an isomorphism $F : A_M \rightarrow A(V_M)$.

Proof. We first show that $F(R) = 0$. Indeed, by (2.5), (4.3) and Lemma 4.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(xy - yx) &= [\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}] * [\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}] - [\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}] * [\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}] \\
 &= [\alpha(0)\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}] = 0; \\
 F(z_m(mx + y) + (m^2 - m + 1)z_m) &= [e^{m\alpha+\beta}] * [m\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}] + [e^{m\alpha+\beta}] * [\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}] + (m^2 - m + 1)[e^{m\alpha+\beta}] \\
 &= [m\alpha(-1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} + \beta(-1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} + (m^2 - m + 1)e^{m\alpha+\beta}] = 0; \\
 F(xz_m - z_mx - (2m - 1)z_m) &= [\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}] * [e^{m\alpha+\beta}] \\
 &\quad - [e^{m\alpha+\beta}] * [\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}] - (2m - 1)[e^{m\alpha+\beta}] \\
 &= [\alpha(0)e^{m\alpha+\beta} - (2m - 1)e^{m\alpha+\beta}] = 0; \\
 F(yz_m - z_my - (2 - m)z_m) &= [\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}] * [e^{m\alpha+\beta}] \\
 &\quad - [e^{m\alpha+\beta}] * [\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}] - (2 - m)[e^{m\alpha+\beta}] \\
 &= [\beta(0)e^{m\alpha+\beta} - (2 - m)e^{m\alpha+\beta}] = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, since $e^{i\alpha+\beta} * e^{j\alpha+\beta} \in M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, (i + j)\alpha + 2\beta) \subset O(V_M)$ in view of Proposition 4.5, it follows that $F(z_i z_j) = [e^{i\alpha+\beta} * e^{j\alpha+\beta}] = 0$, for any $i, j \geq 1$. This shows F factors through A_M . To show F is an isomorphism, we construct an inverse map of F . Similar to the proof of Theorem 4.11 in [34], we first define a linear map

$$(\bar{\cdot}) : \mathfrak{h} = \mathbb{C}\alpha \oplus \mathbb{C}\beta \rightarrow A_M, \quad h = \lambda\alpha + \mu\beta \mapsto \bar{h} = \lambda x + \mu y, \quad \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}. \tag{4.9}$$

Then we define a linear map $G : V_M = M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, 0) \oplus \bigoplus_{m \geq n \geq 1} M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \rightarrow A_M$ as follows:

$$h^1(-n_1 - 1) \cdots h^r(-n_r - 1)\mathbf{1} \mapsto (-1)^{n_1 + \cdots + n_r} \bar{h}^r \cdot \overline{h^{r-1}} \cdots \bar{h}^1, \tag{4.10}$$

$$h^1(-n_1 - 1) \cdots h^r(-n_r - 1)e^{m\alpha+\beta} \mapsto (-1)^{n_1 + \cdots + n_r} z_m \cdot \bar{h}^r \cdot \overline{h^{r-1}} \cdots \bar{h}^1, \quad m \geq 1, \tag{4.11}$$

$$M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta) \mapsto 0, \quad m \geq n \geq 2, \tag{4.12}$$

where $n_1 \geq \cdots \geq n_r \geq 0$, and \bar{h}^i is the image of h^i in A_M under (4.9). We claim that $G(O) = 0$.

Indeed, for any $u \in V_M$, $h \in \mathfrak{h}$, and $n \geq 0$, it is clear from (4.10)–(4.12) that

$$G(h(-n - 2)u + h(-n - 1)u) = (-1)^{n+1}G(u) \cdot \bar{h} + (-1)^nG(u) \cdot \bar{h} = 0.$$

Let $v = h^1(-n_1 - 1) \cdots h^r(-n_r - 1)e^{m\alpha + \beta}$ be a spanning element of $M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + \beta)$ with $m \geq 1$, then by (4.9), (4.11) and (4.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &G(m\alpha(-1)v + \beta(-1)v + (m^2 - m + 1)v) \\ &= m(-1)^{n_1 + \cdots + n_r} z_m \cdot \overline{h^r} \cdots \overline{h^1} \cdot \overline{\alpha} + (-1)^{n_1 + \cdots + n_r} z_m \cdot \overline{h^r} \cdots \overline{h^1} \cdot \overline{\beta} \\ &\quad + (m^2 - m + 1)z_m \cdot \overline{h^r} \cdots \overline{h^1} \\ &= (-1)^{n_1 + \cdots + n_r} (z_m(mx + y) + (m^2 - m + 1)z_m) \cdot \overline{h^r} \cdots \overline{h^1} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by (4.12), we have $G(M_{\mathfrak{h}}(1, m\alpha + n\beta)) = 0$ for any $m \geq n \geq 2$. Thus, we have $G(O(V_M)) = 0$ by (4.3) and Proposition 4.6, and G induces a well-defined linear map $G : A(V_M) = V_M/O(V_M) \rightarrow A_M$, such that

$$G([\alpha(-1)\mathbf{1}]) = x, \quad G([\beta(-1)\mathbf{1}]) = y, \quad G([e^{m\alpha + \beta}]) = z_m, \quad m \geq 1, \tag{4.13}$$

in view of (4.10)–(4.12). By (4.8) and (4.13), it is clear that G is an inverse of $F : A_M \rightarrow A(V_M)$. Hence $A_M \cong A(V_M)$ as associative algebras. \square

Corollary 4.8. *The untwisted Zhu's algebra $A(V_M)$ is not Noetherian.*

Proof. By Theorem 4.7 and (4.7), we have an isomorphism

$$A(V_M) \cong A_M = \mathbb{C}[x, y] \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} z_m \mathbb{C}[y] \right) = \mathbb{C}[x, y] \oplus J,$$

where $J = \bigoplus_{m=1}^{\infty} z_m \mathbb{C}[y]$. By (4.6), it is clear that J is a two-sided ideal of A_M . Suppose J can be generated by finitely many elements $w_1, \dots, w_k \in J$. There must exist an index $N > 0$ s.t. $w_1, \dots, w_k \in \bigoplus_{m=1}^N z_m \mathbb{C}[y]$. But it follows from (4.6) that

$$A_M \cdot \left(\bigoplus_{m=1}^N z_m \mathbb{C}[y] \right) \cdot A_M \subseteq \bigoplus_{m=1}^N z_m \mathbb{C}[y],$$

since $z_i z_j = 0$ for all $i, j \geq 1$. Then we have $J \subseteq \bigoplus_{m=1}^N z_m \mathbb{C}[y]$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, $A(V_M)$ has a two-sided ideal J that is not finitely generated. This shows $A(V_M)$ is neither left nor right Noetherian. \square

Remark 4.9. Using Corollary 4.8 and Theorem 3.1 with $g = \text{Id}_V$, we have an alternative proof of the fact that V_M is not C_1 -cofinite without finding a basis of $V_M/C_1(V_M)$ as in Theorem 4.2.

5. Finiteness of g -twisted higher Zhu's algebra

In this section, using a higher order analog of the epimorphism (3.2), we prove that the g -twisted higher Zhu's algebra $A_{g,n}(V)$ constructed by Dong, Li and Mason in [10] and

its bimodule $A_{g,n}(M)$ constructed by Jiang and Jiao in [37] are finite-dimensional if V is C_2 -cofinite, which generalizes Miyamoto’s result on finiteness of $A_n(V)$ and Buhl’s result on finiteness of $A_n(M)$ under the C_2 -cofinite condition in [36] to the g -twisted case.

5.1. Shifted level filtration on $A_{g,n}(V)$

First, we recall the definition of $A_{g,n}(V)$ in [10]. Fix a rational number $n = l + \frac{i}{T} \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i \leq T - 1$ are uniquely determined by n .

For $a \in V^r$ with $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$, and $b \in V$, define

$$a \circ_{g,n} b := \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wta}-1+\delta_i(r)+l+r/T}}{z^{2l+\delta_i(r)+\delta_i(T-r)}}, \quad \text{where } \delta_i(r) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r \leq i \\ 0 & \text{if } r > i \end{cases}, \quad (5.1)$$

and set $\delta_i(T) = 1$. Let $O_{g,n}(V)$ be the subspace of V spanned by all $a \circ_{g,n} b$ and $L(-1)c + L(0)c$, and let $A_{g,n}(V) := V/O_{g,n}(V)$. Define

$$a *_{g,n} b := \begin{cases} \sum_{m=0}^l (-1)^m \binom{m+l}{l} \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b (1+z)^{\text{wta}+l} / z^{l+m+1} & \text{if } a \in V^0, \\ 0 & \text{if } a \in V^r, r > 0. \end{cases} \quad (5.2)$$

By Theorem 2.4 in [10], $A_{g,n}(V)$ is an associative algebra with respect to (5.2). Again, we denote the equivalent class of an element $a \in V$ in $A_{g,n}(V)$ by $[a]$.

For the rest of this paper, we fix the rational number $n = l + \frac{i}{T}$. The usual level filtration (2.11) cannot give us a desirable higher order analog of the epimorphism (3.2). So we introduce a new level filtration on $A_{g,n}(V)$ as follows: For $p \geq 2l$, let

$$F_p A_{g,n}(V) := \text{span}\{[a] : a \in V \text{ homogeneous, } \text{wta} + 2l \leq p\}. \quad (5.3)$$

For $p < 2l$, let $F_p A_{g,n}(V) := 0$. Clearly, we have

$$F_{2l} A_{g,n}(V) \subseteq F_{2l+1} A_{g,n}(V) \subseteq \dots \quad \text{and} \quad A_{g,n}(V) = \bigcup_{p=2l}^{\infty} F_p A_{g,n}(V). \quad (5.4)$$

Lemma 5.1. *$A_{g,n}(V)$ is a filtered algebra with respect to the filtration (5.3). The product on the associated graded algebra $\text{gr} A_{g,n}(V) = \bigoplus_{p=2l}^{\infty} F_p A_{g,n}(V) / F_{p-1} A_{g,n}(V)$ is given by*

$$([a] + F_{p-1} A_{g,n}(V)) *_{g,n} ([b] + F_{q-1} A_{g,n}(V)) = \begin{cases} (-1)^l \binom{2l}{l} [a_{-2l-1} b] + F_{p+q-1} A_{g,n}(V) & \text{if } r = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } r > 0 \end{cases}, \quad (5.5)$$

where $a \in V^r, b \in V$ are homogeneous, with $\text{wta} + 2l \leq p$ and $\text{wtb} + 2l \leq q$, and $p, q \geq 2l$.

Proof. Let $a \in V^0$ and $b \in V$ be homogeneous elements such that $\text{wta} + 2l \leq p$ and $\text{wtb} + 2l \leq q$. By the definitions of product on $A_{g,n}(V)$ (5.2), we have

$$[a *_{g,n} b] = \sum_{m=0}^l \sum_{j \geq 0} (-1)^m \binom{m+l}{l} \binom{\text{wta}+l}{j} [a_{j-l-m-1}b] \in F_{p+q}A_{g,n}(V) \tag{5.6}$$

since $\text{wt}(a_{j-l-m-1}b) + 2l = \text{wta} - j + l + m + \text{wtb} + 2l \leq (\text{wta} + 2l) + (\text{wtb} + 2l) \leq p + q$, for any $j \geq 0$ and $0 \leq m \leq l$. Hence $F_pA_{g,n}(V) *_{g,n} F_qA_{g,n}(V) \subseteq F_{p+q}A_{g,n}(V)$, and so $A_{g,n}(V)$ is a filtered algebra. Moreover, by (5.3) and the equality about weight above, we have $[a_{j-l-m-1}b] \in F_{p+q-1}A_{g,n}(V)$ unless $j = 0$ and $m = l$. It follows from (5.6) that

$$[a *_{g,n} b] + F_{p+q-1}A_{g,n}(V) = (-1)^l \binom{2l}{l} [a_{-2l-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_{g,n}(V).$$

This proves (5.5). □

Remark 5.2. By Lemma 2.2 in [10], for any $a \in V^0$ and $b \in V$, we have

$$a *_{g,n} b - b *_{g,n} a \equiv \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b (1+z)^{\text{wta}-1} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{\text{wta}-1}{j} a_j b \pmod{O_{g,n}(V)}. \tag{5.7}$$

Since $\text{wt}(a_j b) + 2l \leq (\text{wta} + 2l) + (\text{wtb} + 2l) - 1$, it follows that $\text{gr}A_{g,n}(V)$ is a commutative graded algebra with respect to the product (5.5). However, unlike $\text{gr}A_g(V)$ in the previous sections, if $l \geq 1$, the element $[1] + F_{2l-1}A_{g,n}(V)$ is **not** the unit element of $\text{gr}A_{g,n}(V)$.

5.2. Finiteness of $A_{g,n}(V)$

Recall that $n = l + \frac{i}{T}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$. Consider the following higher level generalization of Zhu's C_2 -algebra $R_2(V)$:

$$R_{2l+2}(V) := V/C_{2l+2}(V), \quad \text{where } C_{2l+2}(V) = \text{span}\{a_{-2l-2}b : a, b \in V\}. \tag{5.8}$$

Lemma 5.3. $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is a graded associative algebra with respect to the product

$$(a + C_{2l+2}(V)) \cdot (b + C_{2l+2}(V)) = (-1)^l \binom{2l}{l} a_{-2l-1}b + C_{2l+2}(V), \tag{5.9}$$

and the grading

$$R_{2l+2}(V) = \bigoplus_{p=2l}^{\infty} R_{2l+2}(V)_p, \quad R_{2l+2}(V)_p = \text{span}\{a + C_{2l+2}(V) : \text{wta} + 2l = p\}. \tag{5.10}$$

It is commutative if and only if $\sum_{j=1}^{2l} (-1)^j (b_{j-2l-1}a)_{-1-j} \mathbf{1} \in C_{2l+2}(V)$, for any $a, b \in V$.

Proof. For $a, b, c \in V$, by the Jacobi identity of VOA, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (a_{-2l-1}b)_{-2l-1}c - a_{-2l-1}(b_{-2l-1}c) \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{-2l-1}{j} (-1)^j a_{-2l-1-j} b_{-2l-1+j} c - \sum_{j \geq 0} \binom{-2l-1}{j} (-1)^{-2l-1+j} b_{-4l-2-j} a_j c \\ &\equiv 0 \pmod{C_{2l+2}(V)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the product (5.9) is associative since the coefficient $(-1)^l \binom{2l}{l}$ does not depend on a and b . By (5.8), $C_{2l+2}(V)$ is spanned by homogeneous elements, hence $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is a graded algebra. Since $R_{2l+2}(V)_p = (V_{p-2l} + C_{2l+2}(V))/C_{2l+2}(V)$ for any $p \geq 2l$ and $V = \bigoplus_{p=2l}^\infty V_{p-2l}$, we have $R_{2l+2}(V) = \bigoplus_{p=2l}^\infty R_{2l+2}(V)_p$. It is clear that $R_{2l+2}(V)_p \cdot R_{2l+2}(V)_q \subseteq R_{2l+2}(V)_{p+q}$ for any $p, q \geq 2l$ since $\text{wt}(a_{-2l-1}b) + 2l = (\text{wta} + 2l) + (\text{wtb} + 2l) = p + q$ if $\text{wta} + 2l = p$ and $\text{wtb} + 2l = q$.

Finally, by the skew-symmetry of the vertex operator, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_{-2l-1}b &= \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) b z^{-2l-1} = \text{Res}_z e^{zL(-1)} Y(b, -z) a z^{-2l-1} \\ &= \text{Res}_z \sum_{j \geq 0} \frac{L(-1)^j}{j!} z^j \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^{n+1} z^{-n-1-2l-1} b_n a \\ &= b_{-2l-1}a + \sum_{j \geq 1} \frac{L(-1)^j}{j!} (-1)^j b_{j-2l-1} a \\ &\equiv b_{-2l-1}a + \sum_{j=1}^{2l} (-1)^j (b_{j-2l-1}a)_{-1-j} \mathbf{1} \pmod{C_{2l+2}(V)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is commutative if and only if the obstruction term $\sum_{j=1}^{2l} (-1)^j (b_{j-2l-1}a)_{-1-j} \mathbf{1}$ is in $C_{2l+2}(V)$. □

Remark 5.4. If $l=0$, then $R_{2l+2}(V) = R_2(V)$ in view of (5.9) and (2.15). The obstruction term for the commutativity in Lemma 5.3 does not exist in this case. Hence $R_2(V)$ is commutative.

We wish to find a g -twisted higher order analog of the epimorphism φ in (3.2). However, it turns out that φ is not always generalizable without any extra assumptions.

Theorem 5.5. *Let V be a VOA, $g \in \text{Aut}(V)$ be of order T , and $n = l + \frac{i}{T} \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i \leq T - 1$. Then there is a surjective linear map:*

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_n : R_{2l+2}(V) &\rightarrow \text{gr} A_{g,n}(V) = \bigoplus_{p=2l}^\infty F_p A_{g,n}(V) / F_{p-1} A_{g,n}(V), \\ a + C_{2l+2}(V) &\mapsto [a] + F_{p-1} A_{g,n}(V), \quad a + C_{2l+2}(V) \in R_{2l+2}(V)_p. \end{aligned} \tag{5.11}$$

If, furthermore, $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, then φ_n is an epimorphism of associative algebras.

Proof. Similar to Theorem 3.1, we first show φ_n is well-defined. Let $a \in V_{p-2l} \cap V^r$ with $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$ and $b \in V_{q-2l}$, for some $p, q \geq 2l$. Then $a_{-2l-2}b \in V_{p+q+1-2l}$, and $\varphi_n(a_{-2l-2}b + C_{2l+2}(V)) = [a_{-2l-2}b] + F_{p+q}A_{g,n}(V)$. We need to show $[a_{-2l-2}b] \equiv 0 \pmod{F_{p+q}A_{g,n}(V)}$.

Indeed, for by Lemma 2.2 in [10], we have

$$\text{Res}_z Y(a, z)b \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wta}-1+\delta_i(r)+l+r/T}}{z^{2l+\delta_i(r)+\delta_i(T-r)+m}} \in O_{g,n}(V), \tag{5.12}$$

for any $m \geq 0$. Since $\delta_i(r)$ and $\delta_i(T-r)$ are either 0 or 1 in view of (5.2), we may choose $m \geq 0$ in such a way that $2l + \delta_i(r) + \delta_i(T-r) + m = 2l + 2$. Then by (5.12),

$$[a_{-2l-2}b] = - \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wta} - 1 + \delta_i(r) + l + r/T}{j} [a_{j-2l-2}b] \in F_{p+q}A_{g,n}(V)$$

since $\text{wt}(a_{j-2l-2}b) + 2l = (p - 2l) - j + 2l + 1 + (q - 2l) + 2l \leq p + q$ for any $j \geq 1$, which means $[a_{j-2l-2}b] \in F_{p+q}A_{g,n}(V)$ by (5.3). This proves the well-definedness of φ_n .

Clearly, φ_n is surjective. For any $a + C_{2l+2}(V) \in R_{2l+2}(V)_p$, with $\text{wta} + 2l = p$, we have $[a] \in F_p A_{g,n}(V)$ by (5.3). Hence $\varphi_n(R_{2l+2}(V)_p) \subseteq F_p A_{g,n}(V) / F_{p-1} A_{g,n}(V)$ for any $p \geq 2l$.

Finally, we show φ_n is a homomorphism when $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$. Again, we let $a \in V_{p-2l} \cap V^r$ with $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$ and $b \in V_{q-2l}$. If $r = 0$, since $\text{wt}(a_{-2l-1}b) + 2l = p + q$, then by (5.5) and (5.9),

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_n((a + C_{2l+2}(V)) \cdot (b + C_{2l+2}(V))) &= \varphi_n((-1)^l \binom{2l}{l} a_{-2l-1}b + C_{2l+2}(V)) \\ &= (-1)^l \binom{2l}{l} [a_{-2l-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_{g,n}(V) = ([a] + F_{p-1}A_{g,n}(V)) *_{g,n} ([b] + F_{q-1}A_{g,n}(V)) \\ &= \varphi_n(a + C_{2l+2}(V)) *_{g,n} \varphi_n(b + C_{2l+2}(V)). \end{aligned}$$

Now consider the case when $r > 0$. Since $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, the inequalities $r \leq i$ and $T - r \leq i$ cannot be satisfied simultaneously. Thus $\delta_i(r) + \delta_i(T-r) = 1$ for any $r > 0$. By (5.1), we have

$$[a_{-2l-1}b] = - \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wta} - 1 + \delta_i(r) + l + r/T}{j} [a_{j-2l-1}b] \in F_{p+q-1}A_{g,n}(V),$$

since $\text{wt}(a_{j-2l-1}b) + 2l = (p - 2l) - j + 2l + (q - 2l) + 2l \leq p + q - 1$ for any $j \geq 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_n((a + C_{2l+2}(V)) \cdot (b + C_{2l+2}(V))) &= (-1)^l \binom{2l}{l} [a_{-2l-1}b] + F_{p+q-1}A_{g,n}(V) \\ &= 0 = \varphi_n(a + C_{2l+2}(V)) *_{g,n} \varphi_n(b + C_{2l+2}(V)), \end{aligned}$$

in view of (5.5). □

In the proof of the modular invariance of C_2 -cofinite VOAs, Miyamoto proved that $A_n(V)$ are finite-dimensional for all $n \geq 0$ if V is C_2 -cofinite, see Theorem 2.5 in [36]. The following Corollary of Theorem 5.5 generalizes Miyamoto’s result to the g -twisted case.

Corollary 5.6. *Let $n = l + \frac{i}{T} \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i \leq T - 1$.*

- (1) *If V is C_2 -cofinite, then $A_{g,n}(V)$ is a finite-dimensional associative algebra.*
- (2) *If $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, and $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is a finitely generated associative algebra with respect to the product (5.9), then $A_{g,n}(V)$ is left and right Noetherian.*

Proof. It was proved by Gaberdiel and Neitzke that V is C_u -cofinite for any $u \geq 2$ if V is C_2 -cofinite, see Theorem 11 in [19]. Since the filtration (5.4) is exhaustive, by (5.11),

$$\dim A_{g,n}(V) = \dim \text{gr}A_{g,n}(V) \leq \dim R_{2l+2}(V) < \infty$$

if V is C_2 -cofinite. Now let $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$ and assume that $R_{2l+2}(V)$ is a finitely generated algebra. By Theorem 5.5, φ_n is an epimorphism of associative algebras, then $\text{gr}A_{g,n}(V)$ is a finitely generated commutative algebra in view of Remark 5.2, which is necessarily Noetherian. Hence $A_{g,n}(V)$ is left and right Noetherian by Proposition 2.8. \square

Example 5.7. Let $V = M_{\hat{g}}(1, 0)$ be the rank-one Heisenberg VOA, and let $g = \text{Id}_V$. Then V is C_1 -cofinite by Theorem 2.4, since $R_2(V) \cong \mathbb{C}[x]$ as a commutative algebra, see [14]. In [2], Addabbo and Barron conjectured that for any $n \geq 1$, one has

$$A_n(V) \cong \text{Mat}_{p(n)}(\mathbb{C}[x]) \oplus A_{n-1}(V) \tag{5.13}$$

as a direct product of associative algebras, where $p(n)$ is the number of partitions of n . The isomorphism (5.13) was proved recently by Damiolini, Gibney and Krashen, see Corollary 7.3.1 [5]. In particular, since $\text{Mat}_{p(n)}(\mathbb{C}[x])$ is a finitely generated module over a Noetherian ring $\mathbb{C}[x]$, using induction on n , it is easy to show that $A_n(V)$ is Noetherian for all $n \geq 0$.

We believe the following statement that generalizes Theorem 3.1 is true:

Conjecture 5.8. *Let V be a VOA, $g \in \text{Aut}(V)$ be of order T , and $n = l + \frac{i}{T} \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$. Then $A_{g,n}(V)$ is left and right Noetherian if V is C_1 -cofinite.*

5.3. Finiteness of $A_{g,n}(M)$

Buhl extended Gaberdiel and Neitzke’s theorem to the case of V -modules. He proved that $A_n(M)$ are finite-dimensional for all $n \geq 0$ if V is C_2 -cofinite and M is C_2 -cofinite, see [4] Corollary 5.5. As another Corollary of Theorem 5.5, we generalize Buhl’s theorem to the twisted case.

Abe, Buhl and Dong proved that if V is C_2 -cofinite then an irreducible V -module M is C_2 -cofinite, see Proposition 5.2 in [1]. In fact, it is easy to show that M is also

C_1 -cofinite by adopting a similar proof. Moreover, Buhl proved that M is C_n -cofinite for all $n \geq 2$, if M is C_2 -cofinite, see Corollary 5.3 in [4]. Hence we have the following:

Lemma 5.9. *Let V be C_2 -cofinite, and let M be an irreducible admissible V -module. Then M is C_n -cofinite, for any $n \geq 1$.*

We can generalize $\tilde{C}_1^g(M)$ (2.19) to the higher order case. For $l \geq 0$, define

$$\tilde{C}_{2l+1}^g(M) := \text{span}\{a_{-2l-1}v : a \in V_+, v \in M\} + \text{span}\{b_0u : b \in \bigoplus_{p \geq 2} V_p \cap V^0, u \in M\}. \tag{5.14}$$

We say that M is weakly C_{2l+1}^g -cofinite if $\dim M/\tilde{C}_{2l+1}^g(M) < \infty$.

Corollary 5.10. *Let $n = l + \frac{i}{T} \in \frac{1}{T}\mathbb{Z}$, where $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i \leq T - 1$.*

(1) *If $M = Y + \tilde{C}_{2l+1}^g(M)$, $Y = \text{span}\{y^p : p \in \Lambda\}$ and $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, then*

$$A_{g,n}(M) = \sum_{p \in \Lambda} A_{g,n}(V) *_{g,n} [y^p] *_{g,n} A_{g,n}(V). \tag{5.15}$$

In particular, if M is weakly C_{2l+1}^g -cofinite, then $A_{g,n}(M)$ is a finitely generated $A_{g,n}(V)$ -bimodule.

(2) *If $M = U + C_{2l+1}(M)$, $U = \text{span}\{u^\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$ and $i < \lfloor T/2 \rfloor$, then*

$$A_{g,n}(M) = \sum_{\alpha \in I} A_{g,n}(V) *_{g,n} [u^\alpha] = \sum_{\alpha \in I} [u^\alpha] *_{g,n} A_{g,n}(V). \tag{5.16}$$

In particular, if M is C_{2l+1} -cofinite, then $A_{g,n}(M)$ is finitely generated as a left or right $A_{g,n}(V)$ -module.

(3) *If $M = W + C_{2l+2}(M)$ and $W = \text{span}\{w^j : j \in J\}$, then*

$$A_{g,n}(M) = \sum_{j \in J} \mathbb{C}[w^j]. \tag{5.17}$$

In particular, if V is C_2 -cofinite, then $A_{g,n}(M)$ is finite-dimensional for all $n \geq 0$.

Proof. The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 3.3. We write out the details for (5.15) and omit the rests. Denote $\sum_{p \in \Lambda} A_{g,n}(V) *_{g,n} [y^p] *_{g,n} A_{g,n}(V)$ by N . We use induction on the degree m of $M = \bigoplus_{m=0}^\infty M(m)$ to show $[M(m)] \subseteq N$. Since $\deg(a_{-2l-1}v) > 0$ and $\deg(b_0u) > 0$ for any $a \in V_+$, $b \in \bigoplus_{p \geq 2} V_p$, and $u, v \in M$, we have $\tilde{C}_{2l+1}^g(M) \cap M(0) = 0$ in view of (5.14). Hence $[M(0)] \subseteq N$. Suppose the conclusion holds for smaller m . For $x \in M(m)$, we may assume

$$x = u + \sum_{k=1}^s a_{-2l-1}^k v^k + \sum_{q=1}^t b_0^q u^q, \quad u \in U, a^k \in V_+ \cap V^r, b \in \bigoplus_{p \geq 2} V_p \cap V^r, v^k, u^q \in M,$$

where $0 \leq r \leq T - 1$, $\text{wt}a^k + 2l + \deg v^k = m$, and $\text{wt}b^q - 1 + \deg u^q = m$ for all k, q . We need to show that $[a_{-2l-1}^k v^k] \in N$ and $[b_0^q u^q] \in N$ for all k, q .

Recall the following formulas for the definition of $A_{g,n}(M) = M/O_{g,n}(M)$ in [37]:

$$a \circ_{g,n} v = \text{Res}_z Y_M(a, z) v \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a+l-1+\delta_i(r)+\frac{r}{T}}}{z^{2l+\delta_i(r)+\delta_i(T-r)}}, \tag{5.18}$$

where δ_i is defined by (5.1). For $a \in V^r$ and $v \in M$, one has

$$a *_{g,n} v = \text{Res}_z \sum_{m=0}^l (-1)^m \binom{m+l}{l} \text{Res}_z Y(a, z) v \frac{(1+z)^{\text{wt}a+l}}{z^{l+m+1}} \tag{5.19}$$

if $a \in V^0$, and $a *_{g,n} v = 0$ if $a \in V^r$ with $r > 0$.

For each $1 \leq k \leq s$, if $a^k \in V^0$, by (5.19) and induction hypothesis, we have

$$[a^k_{-2k-1} v^k] = - \sum_{j, m \geq 0, j-m > -l} (-1)^m \binom{m+l}{l} \binom{\text{wt}a^k+l}{j} [a^k_{j-l-m-1} v^k] \in N,$$

since $\deg(a^k_{j-l-m-2} v^k) < \text{wt}a^k + 2l + \deg v^k = m$ when $j - m > -l$. On the other hand, if $a^k \in V^r$ with $r > 0$, we have $\delta_i(r) + \delta_i(T - r) = 1$ since $i < [T/2]$. By (5.18), we have

$$[0] = [a^k \circ_{g,n} v^k] = [a^k_{-2l-1} v^k] + \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}a^k+l-1+\delta_i(r)+r/T}{j} [a^k_{j-2l-1} v^k]$$

in $A_{g,n}(M)$. Since $\deg(a^k_{j-2l-1} v^k) = \text{wt}a^k - j + 2l + \deg v^k < m$, then $[a^k_{j-2l-1} v^k] \in N$ for all $j \geq 1$ by the induction hypothesis. Hence $[a^k_{-2l-1} v^k] \in N$. Moreover, we have

$$b *_{g,n} u - u *_{g,n} b \equiv \text{Res}_z Y(b, z) u (1+z)^{\text{wt}b-1} \pmod{O_{g,n}(M)} \tag{5.20}$$

for any $b \in V^0$ and $u \in M$, see Lemma 3.1 [37]. Then by (5.20) and (3.6), we have

$$[b^q_0 u^q] = - \sum_{j \geq 1} \binom{\text{wt}b^q-1}{j} [b^q_j u^q] + [b^q] *_{g,n} [u^q] - [u^q] *_{g,n} [b^q] \in N,$$

since $\deg(b^q_j u^q) = \text{wt}b^q - j - 1 + \deg u^q < m$ for any $j \geq 1$. Thus $[x] = [u] + \sum_{k=1}^s [a^k_{-2l-1} v^k] + \sum_{q=1}^t [b^q_0 u^q] \in N$. This shows (5.15).

Finally, assume V is C_2 -cofinite. By Lemma 5.9, M is C_{2l+2} -cofinite, for any $l \geq 0$. Then by (5.17), $A_{g,n}(M)$ is finite-dimensional. □

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