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**Nathan P Vander Werf\*** (nvanderw@nd.edu), 1225 Bissell st., South Bend, IN 46617. *Special pairs of screening operators and certain subalgebras of a rank  $d$  lattice vertex operator algebra.*

We discuss the notion of special pairs of screening operators for a rank  $d$  lattice vertex operator superalgebra. Such screening pairs  $(\tilde{Q}, Q)$  in the rank 1 case proved to be useful machinery in studying the internal structure of the  $\mathcal{W}$ -algebra  $\mathcal{W}(p) = \ker \tilde{Q}$  and proving the  $C_2$ -cofinite property. From an analysis of screening pairs that can arise, one can construct a large number of subalgebras of  $V_L$  by considering the intersection of the kernels of certain screening operators that share a common Virasoro element. Some subalgebras that emerge share features similar to the  $\mathcal{W}(p)$ -algebra in the rank 1 setting while others do not as much. If time permits, we will show in the rank 2 setting how the kernel of a long screening operator  $\ker \tilde{Q}$  (and in some cases the intersection of the kernels of two screening operators) can be computed. With such decompositions, the problem of studying the internal structure of  $\ker \tilde{Q}$ , such as finding a strongly generating set for  $\ker \tilde{Q}$  and proving the  $C_2$ -cofinite property, as well as determining the representation theory, all become tractable. (Received February 02, 2016)