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# THE LIE GROUPOID ANALOGUE OF A SYMPLECTIC LIE GROUP

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ABSTRACT. A symplectic Lie group is a Lie group with a left-invariant symplectic form. Its Lie algebra structure is that of a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra. In this note, we identify the groupoid analogue of a symplectic Lie group. We call the aforementioned structure a t-symplectic Lie groupoid; the "t" is motivated by the fact that each target fiber of a t-symplectic Lie groupoid is a symplectic manifold. For a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ , we show that there is a one-to-one correspondence between quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid structures on  $A\mathcal{G}$  (the associated Lie algebroid) and t-symplectic Lie groupoid structures on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ . In addition, we also introduce the notion of a symplectic Lie group bundle (SLGB) which is a special case of both a t-symplectic Lie groupoid and a Lie group bundle. The basic properties of SLGBs are explored.

#### 1. Introduction

A symplectic Lie group is a Lie group G together with a left-invariant symplectic form  $\omega$  [1, 5]. The associated Lie algebra structure is that of a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra [3]; the latter is formally a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak q$  together with a skew-symmetric, non-degenerate bilinear form  $\beta$  on  $\mathfrak q$  such that

$$\beta([x, y], z) + \beta([y, z], x) + \beta([z, x], y) = 0$$

for all  $x, y, z \in \mathfrak{q}$ . In other words,  $\beta$  is a non-degenerate 2-cocycle in the Lie algebra cohomology of  $\mathfrak{q}$  with values in  $\mathbb{R}$  (where  $\mathfrak{q}$  acts trivially on  $\mathbb{R}$ ). For a symplectic Lie group  $(G, \omega)$ , the associated quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra is  $(\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$ , where  $\mathfrak{g} = T_e G$  is the Lie algebra defined by the left-invariant vector fields on G.

The notion of a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid (or symplectic Lie algebroid as it is more commonly called) was introduced independently in [6] and [14]. As one would expect, a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid over a point is simply a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra. As far as the author can tell, the Lie groupoid analogue of a symplectic Lie group has not been formally identified in the literature. In other words, the following question has not yet been answered: what is the Lie groupoid structure whose assoicated Lie algebroid is precisely a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid?

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To be clear, there is a structure in the literature called a *symplectic Lie groupoid* [16]. However, it is unrelated to the notion of a symplectic Lie group. Formally, a symplectic Lie groupoid is a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  together with a symplectic form  $\omega$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  such that

$$G_3 := \{ (g, h, gh) \mid (g, h) \in G_2 \}$$

is a Lagrangian submanifold of  $\mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \times \overline{\mathcal{G}}$ , where  $\overline{\mathcal{G}}$  is the symplectic manifold  $(\mathcal{G}, -\omega)$  and

$$\mathcal{G}_2 := \{ (q, h) \mid q, h \in \mathcal{G}, \ s(q) = t(h) \}.$$

The condition that  $\mathcal{G}_3$  is a Lagrangian submanifold of  $\mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \times \overline{\mathcal{G}}$  is equivalent to the condition that

$$(1.1) m^*\omega = \pi_1^*\omega + \pi_2^*\omega$$

where  $m: \mathcal{G}_2 \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}$  denotes the multiplication map and  $\pi_i: \mathcal{G}_2 \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}$  denotes the natural projection map for i = 1, 2.

Any Lie groupoid over a point is just a Lie group. Hence, one might expect that a symplectic Lie groupoid over a point is just a symplectic Lie group, but this is not the case. In fact, there are no symplectic Lie groupoids over a point. To see this, let  $\omega$  be a 2-form on a Lie group G which satisfies (1.1). Let  $g, h \in G$  and let

$$u := (x, y), \ v := (x', y') \in T_q G \times T_h G.$$

Then

$$(1.2) (m^*\omega)_{(g,h)}(u,v) = \omega_{gh}((r_h)_*x + (l_g)_*y, (r_h)_*x' + (l_g)_*y')$$

and

$$(1.3) \qquad (\pi_1^* \omega)_{(q,h)}(u,v) + (\pi_2^* \omega)_{(q,h)}(u,v) = \omega_q(x,x') + \omega_h(y,y').$$

Setting h = e,  $x' = 0_q$ , and  $y = 0_e$  in (1.2) and (1.3) gives

(1.4) 
$$(m^*\omega)_{(q,e)}(u,v) = \omega_g(x,(l_g)_*y')$$

and

(1.5) 
$$(\pi_1^* \omega)_{(g,e)}(u,v) + (\pi_2^* \omega)_{(g,e)}(u,v) = 0.$$

Since  $\omega$  satisfies (1.1) by assumption, equations (1.4) and (1.5) imply that  $\omega_g \equiv 0$  for all  $g \in G$ . This shows that for any Lie group G, there are no symplectic forms which satisfy (1.1). Hence, there are no symplectic Lie groupoids over a point.

In this note, we will identify the groupoid analogue of a symplectic Lie group. We call the aforementioned structure a t-symplectic Lie groupoid; the "t" is motivated by the fact that each target fiber of a t-symplectic Lie groupoid is a symplectic manifold. For a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ , we show that there is a one-to-one correspondence between quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid structures on  $A\mathcal{G}$  (the associated Lie algebroid) and t-symplectic Lie groupoid structures on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ . In addition, we also introduce the notion of a symplectic Lie group bundle (SLGB) which is a special case of both a t-symplectic Lie groupoid and a Lie group bundle [10, 11].

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we give a brief review of Lie groupoids and Lie algebroids. In Section 3, we introduce t-symplectic Lie groupoids, and establish the aforementioned one-to-one correspondence. Some basic

examples of t-symplectic Lie groupoids are also presented. We conclude the paper in Section 4 by introducing SLGBs and exploring some of its basic properties. In addition, we also prove a result which is useful for the construction of nontrivial SLGBs.

# 2. Preliminaries

2.1. Lie groupoids & Lie algebroids. In this section, we give a brief review of Lie groupoids and Lie algebroids [10, 11, 12], mainly to establish the notation for the rest of the paper. We begin with the following definition:

**Definition 2.1.** A Lie groupoid is a groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  such that

- (i)  $\mathcal{G}$  and M are smooth manifolds
- (ii) all structure maps are smooth
- (iii) the source map  $s: \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow M$  is a surjective submersion.

**Remark 2.2.** Note that condition (iii) of Definition 2.1 is equivalent to the condition that the target map  $t: \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow M$  is a surjective submersion.

In addition, the axioms of a Lie groupoid imply that the unit map

$$u: M \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}$$

is a smooth embedding. As a consequence of this, we will often view M as an embedded submanifold of  $\mathcal{G}$ . With this viewpoint, u is simply the inclusion map.

The domain of the multiplication map m on  $\mathcal{G}$  is typically denoted as

$$G_2 := \{(g, h) \mid g, h \in G, \ s(g) = t(h)\}.$$

Give  $(g,h) \in \mathcal{G}_2$ , we set gh := m(g,h).

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  and  $\mathcal{H} \rightrightarrows N$  be Lie groupoids. Let (s,t) and (s',t') denote the source and target maps of  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  and  $\mathcal{H} \rightrightarrows N$  respectively. Also, let u and u' denote the respective unit maps. A homomorphism from  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  to  $\mathcal{H} \rightrightarrows N$  is a pair of smooth maps  $F \colon \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{H}$  and  $f \colon M \to N$  such that

- (i) F(gh) = F(g)F(h) for all  $(g,h) \in \mathcal{G}_2$
- (ii)  $F \circ u = u' \circ f$
- (iii)  $s' \circ F = f \circ s, t' \circ F = f \circ t$

**Example 2.4.** Any Lie group is naturally a Lie groupoid over a point.

**Example 2.5.** Associated to any manifold M is the pair groupoid  $M \times M \rightrightarrows M$  whose structure maps are defined as follows:

$$s(p,q) := q, \quad t(p,q) := p, \quad (p,q)(q,r) := (p,r)$$
  
 $u(p) := (p,p), \quad i(p,q) := (q,p)$ 

for  $p, q, r \in M$ .

**Example 2.6.** Let M be a manifold with a smooth left-action by a Lie group G. Associated to (M, G) is the action groupoid  $G \times M \rightrightarrows M$  whose structure maps

are defined as follows:

$$\begin{split} s(g,p) &:= g^{-1}p \,, \quad t(g,p) := p \,, \quad (g,p)(h,g^{-1}p) := (gh,p) \\ u(p) &:= (e,p) \,, \quad i(g,p) := (g^{-1},g^{-1}p) \,. \end{split}$$

for  $g, h \in G, p \in M$ .

**Definition 2.7.** A *Lie algebroid* is a triple  $(A, \rho, M)$  where A is a vector bundle over M and  $\rho: A \to TM$  is a vector bundle map called the *anchor* such that

- (i)  $\Gamma(A)$  is a Lie algebra.
- (ii) For  $X, Y \in \Gamma(A)$  and  $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$ , the Lie bracket on  $\Gamma(A)$  satisfies the following Leibniz-type rule:

$$[X, fY] = f[X, Y] + (\rho(X)f)Y.$$

**Proposition 2.8.** Let  $(A, \rho, M)$  be a Lie algebroid. Then

(i)  $\rho: \Gamma(A) \to \Gamma(TM)$  is a Lie algebra map, where the Lie bracket on  $\Gamma(TM)$  is just the usual Lie bracket of vector fields.

(ii)  $[fX,Y] = f[X,Y] - (\rho(Y)f)X$  for all  $X,Y \in \Gamma(A)$ ,  $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$ .

**Proof.** (i): See Lemma 8.1.4 of [7].

(ii): Direct calculation.

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $(A, \rho, M)$  and  $(A', \rho', M)$  be Lie algebroids over the same base space M. A Lie algebroid homomorphism from  $(A, \rho, M)$  to  $(A', \rho', M)$  is a vector bundle map  $\varphi \colon A \to A'$  such that

- (i)  $\varphi \colon \Gamma(A) \to \Gamma(A')$  is a Lie algebra map,
- (ii)  $\rho' \circ \varphi = \rho$ .

Every Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  has an associated Lie algebroid  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M)$  which arises by considering the Lie algebra of left-invariant vector fields on  $\mathcal{G}$ .

**Definition 2.10.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  be a Lie groupoid. A vector field  $\widetilde{X}$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  is *left-invariant* if

$$(l_q)_{*,h}\widetilde{X}_h = \widetilde{X}_{qh}$$

for all  $g, h \in \mathcal{G}$ , where s(g) = t(h) and

$$l_g: t^{-1}(s(g)) \longrightarrow t^{-1}(t(g))$$

is left multiplication by g.

Let

$$T^t \mathcal{G} := \ker t_* \subset T \mathcal{G}$$
.

Since  $t: \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow M$  is a surjective submersion, it follows that  $T^t\mathcal{G}$  is a smooth sub-bundle of  $T\mathcal{G}$ . In addition, define

$$A\mathcal{G}:=T^t\mathcal{G}|_M\,,$$

where we recall that M is identified with the embedded submanifold of  $\mathcal{G}$  consisting of the unit elements. Let  $\mathfrak{X}_l(\mathcal{G})$  denote the left-invariant vector fields of  $\mathcal{G}$ . It can

be shown that  $\mathfrak{X}_l(\mathcal{G})$  is closed under the ordinary Lie bracket of vector fields on  $\mathcal{G}$ . Consequently,  $\mathfrak{X}_l(\mathcal{G})$  is a Lie algebra itself. Definition 2.10 implies that the map

$$\mathfrak{X}_l(\mathcal{G}) \longrightarrow \Gamma(A\mathcal{G}), \quad \widetilde{X} \mapsto \widetilde{X}|_M$$

is a vector space isomorphism. The inverse map sends a section  $X \in \Gamma(A\mathcal{G})$  to the left-invariant vector field  $\widetilde{X}$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  defined by

$$(l_g)_{*,s(g)}X_{s(g)}=\widetilde{X}_g.$$

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  be a Lie groupoid. For  $X, Y \in \Gamma(A\mathcal{G})$ , define

$$[X,Y] := [\widetilde{X},\widetilde{Y}]|_{M}$$

where  $\widetilde{X}$ ,  $\widetilde{Y}$  are the left-invariant vector fields associated to X and Y respectively. Also, let

$$\rho := s_*|_{A\mathcal{G}} \,,$$

where  $s: \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow M$  is the source map. Then  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M)$  is a Lie algebroid.

**Proposition 2.12.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  and  $\mathcal{H} \rightrightarrows M$  be Lie groupods and let  $\varphi \colon \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{H}$  be a Lie groupoid homomorphism, where the morphism on the base space is  $\mathrm{id}_M$ . Let  $\widehat{\varphi} := \varphi_*|_{A\mathcal{G}}$ . Then  $\widehat{\varphi} \colon A\mathcal{G} \to A\mathcal{H}$  is a Lie algebroid homomorphism.

**Example 2.13.** Any Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  is naturally a Lie algebroid over a point. Specifically, the Lie algebra structure on  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g})$  is induced by that of  $\mathfrak{g}$  under the natural vector space isomorphism  $\Gamma(\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \mathfrak{g}$ , and the anchor map of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is (necessarily) the zero map.

**Example 2.14.** The tangent bundle TM of a manifold M is naturally a Lie algebroid where the Lie bracket on  $\Gamma(TM)$  is just the usual Lie bracket of vector fields on M, and the anchor map is just the identity map  $\rho := \mathrm{id}_{TM}$ .  $(TM, \mathrm{id}_{TM}, M)$  is called the *tangent algebroid*.

A direct calculation shows that the tangent algebroid is the associated Lie algebroid of the pair groupoid  $M \times M \rightrightarrows M$ .

#### Example 2.15. Let

$$\psi \colon \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow \Gamma(TM), \quad x \mapsto x_M := \psi(x) \in \Gamma(TM)$$

be an action of a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak g$  on a manifold M, that is,  $\psi$  is a Lie algebra homomorphism. Consider the trivial vector bundle

$$\mathfrak{q} \times M \to M$$
.

The sections of  $\mathfrak{g} \times M$  are naturally identified with smooth  $\mathfrak{g}$ -valued functions on M. Given two smooth functions  $\phi, \tau \colon M \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ , define

(2.1) 
$$[\phi, \tau](p) := [\phi(p), \tau(p)] + (\phi(p)_M)_p \tau - (\tau(p)_M)_p \phi$$

for all  $p \in M$ , where  $[\phi(p), \tau(p)]$  is understood to be the Lie bracket of  $\phi(p), \tau(p) \in \mathfrak{g}$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Also, define

(2.2) 
$$\rho \colon \mathfrak{g} \times M \longrightarrow TM, \quad (x,p) \mapsto (x_M)_p \in T_pM.$$

Then  $\mathfrak{g} \times M$  is a Lie algebroid with bracket given by (2.1) and anchor map given by (2.2). ( $\mathfrak{g} \times M, \rho, M$ ) is called the *action algebroid*.

Now let G be a Lie group whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{g}$  and suppose that M has a smooth left-action by G. The G-action on M induces an action of  $\mathfrak{g}$  on M which sends  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$  to the vector field  $x_M$  on M given by

(2.3) 
$$(x_M)_p := \frac{d}{dt}|_{t=0} \exp(-tx)p \in T_p M.$$

The action algebroid given by the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -action of (2.3) coincides with the associated Lie algebroid of the action groupoid  $G \times M \rightrightarrows M$ .

2.2. The exterior derivative of a Lie algebroid. Every Lie algebroid  $(A, \rho, M)$  has an exterior derivative

$$d_A \colon \Gamma(\wedge^k A^*) \longrightarrow \Gamma(\wedge^{k+1} A^*)$$
,

which is analogous to the usual exterior derivative of differential forms. Formally,  $d_A$  is defined by

$$(d_{A}\omega)(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+1} \rho(X_{i}) [\omega(X_{1},\ldots,\widehat{X}_{i},\ldots,X_{k+1})]$$

$$+ \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} \omega([X_{i},X_{j}],X_{1},\ldots,\widehat{X}_{i},\ldots,\widehat{X}_{j},\ldots,X_{k+1})$$

$$(2.4)$$

for  $\omega \in \Gamma(\wedge^k A^*)$ ,  $X_i \in \Gamma(A)$ , i = 1, ..., k + 1, where  $\widehat{X}_i$  denotes omission of  $X_i$ . A direct calculation shows that

$$(2.5) d_A^2 = 0.$$

**Example 2.16.** The exterior derivative  $d_{TM}$  associated to the tangent algebroid  $(TM, \mathrm{id}_{TM}, M)$  is just the ordinary exterior derivative of differential forms on M.

**Example 2.17.** For a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , the exterior derivative  $d_{\mathfrak{g}}$  associated to its natural Lie algebroid structure is given explicitly by

$$(d_{\mathfrak{g}}\omega)(x_1,\ldots,x_{k+1}) = \sum_{i< j} (-1)^{i+j}\omega([x_i,x_j],x_1,\ldots,\widehat{x}_i,\ldots,\widehat{x}_j,\ldots,x_{k+1}),$$

for  $\omega \in \wedge^k \mathfrak{g}^*$ ,  $x_1, \ldots, x_{k+1} \in \mathfrak{g}$ . From this, one sees that  $d_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is just the coboundary map in the Lie algebra cohomology of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with values in  $\mathbb{R}$ , where  $\mathfrak{g}$  acts trivially on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

2.3. quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroids. As mentioned previously, a symplectic Lie algebroid over a point is a symplectic Lie algebra (or quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra as it is also called). However, the name  $symplectic\ Lie\ algebra$  also has a different meaning. It also refers to  $\mathfrak{sp}(2n,\mathbb{R})$ , the Lie algebra of the Lie group of  $2n\times 2n$  symplectic matrices. For this reason, we prefer to use the name  $quasi-Frobenius\ Lie\ algebroids$  in place of symplectic Lie algebroids. Formally, a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid is defined as follows:

**Definition 2.18.** A quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid is a Lie algebroid  $(A, \rho, M)$  together with a non-degenerate 2-cocycle  $\omega$  in the Lie algebroid cohomology of  $(A, \rho, M)$ , that is,  $\omega \in \Gamma(\wedge^2 A^*)$  such that

- (i)  $\omega$  is nondegenerate
- (ii)  $d_A\omega = 0$ .

Furthermore, if there exists  $\theta \in \Gamma(A^*)$  such that  $\omega = d_A \theta$ , then  $(A, \rho, M, \theta)$  is called a *Frobenius Lie algebroid*.

**Example 2.19.** Let  $(\mathfrak{q},\beta)$  be a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra, that is,  $\mathfrak{q}$  is a Lie algebra and  $\beta \in \wedge^2 \mathfrak{q}^*$  is a nondegenerate 2-cocycle in the Lie algebra cohomology of  $\mathfrak{q}$  with values in  $\mathbb{R}$  (where  $\mathfrak{q}$  acts trivially on  $\mathbb{R}$ ). Let  $d_{\mathfrak{q}}$  denote the exterior derivative from the natural Lie algebroid structure on  $\mathfrak{q}$ . As noted previously,  $d_{\mathfrak{q}}$  coincides with the coboundary map in the Lie algebra cohomology of  $\mathfrak{q}$  with values in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Hence,  $d_{\mathfrak{q}}\beta=0$ . Equipping  $\mathfrak{q}$  with its natural Lie algebroid structure, it follows that  $(\mathfrak{q},\beta)$  is naturally a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid over a point.

**Example 2.20.** Let  $(M, \omega)$  be a symplectic manifold and let

$$(TM, id_{TM}, M)$$

denote the tangent algebroid. As noted previously,  $d_{TM}=d$  where d is the usual exterior derivative of differential forms on M. From this, it follows that  $(TM, id_{TM}, M)$  together with  $\omega$  is a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid over M.

#### 3. t-symplectic Lie groupoids

In this section, we identify the Lie groupoid analogue of a symplectic Lie group. To start, recall that a symplectic Lie group is a Lie group G together with a left-invariant symplectic form  $\omega$ . The condition of left-invariance simply means that

$$(3.1) l_q^* \omega = \omega \,, \quad \forall \ g \in G \,,$$

where  $l_g \colon G \longrightarrow G$  is left translation by  $g \in G$ . For a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ , where M consists of more than one point, the condition of left-invariance given by equation (3.1) is no longer applicable. In other words, while the notion of left-invariant vector fields extends from Lie groups to Lie groupoids, the notion of left-invariant differential forms does not. This is a consequence of the fact that multiplication on a groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  is only partial whenever M consists of more than one point.

For  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ , the domain of  $l_g$  is not  $\mathcal{G}$ . Instead, one has

$$l_q: t^{-1}(s(q)) \xrightarrow{\sim} t^{-1}(t(q)) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{G}$$

where s and t denote the source and target maps on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ . Consequently, if one starts with a differential form  $\omega$  on  $\mathcal{G}$ , then the pullback  $(l_g)^*\omega$  is now a differential form on the embedded submanifold  $t^{-1}(s(g))$ , rather than on  $\mathcal{G}$ .

In the case of a Lie group G, every left-invariant k-form on G is uniquely determined by some element in  $\wedge^k \mathfrak{g}^*$ , where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the Lie algebra of G. Since  $A\mathcal{G}$  is the analogue of  $\mathfrak{g}$  for a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  and  $\Gamma(\wedge^k \mathfrak{g}^*) \simeq \wedge^k \mathfrak{g}^*$ , it is natural to take the Lie groupoid analogue of left-invariant k-forms on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  to be in one to

one correspondence with the elements of  $\Gamma(\wedge^k(A\mathcal{G})^*)$ . This motivates the following definition:

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  be a Lie groupoid. A section

$$\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma(\wedge^k (T^t \mathcal{G})^*)$$

is left-invariant if

$$(l_g)^* \left( \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(t(g))} \right) = \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(s(g))}$$

for all  $q \in \mathcal{G}$ .

**Remark 3.2.** Recall that for  $p \in M$  and  $g \in t^{-1}(p)$ ,

(3.2) 
$$(T^t \mathcal{G})_g := \ker \ t_{*,g} = T_g \ t^{-1}(p) \,.$$

This implies that  $\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)}$  in Definition 3.1 is indeed a differential k-form on  $t^{-1}(p)$ .

**Remark 3.3.** Note that when M is a point, that is,  $\mathcal{G}$  is a Lie group, we have  $T^t\mathcal{G} = T\mathcal{G}$ , and Definition 3.1 coincides with the usual notion of left-invariant differential forms on a Lie group.

The next result justifies Definition 3.1.

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  be a Lie groupoid and let  $\Gamma_L(\wedge^k(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$  denote the space of left-invariant sections of  $\wedge^k(T^t\mathcal{G})^*$ . Define

$$\varphi \colon \Gamma_L(\wedge^k (T^t \mathcal{G})^*) \longrightarrow \Gamma(\wedge^k (A\mathcal{G})^*)$$

by  $\varphi(\widetilde{\omega}) := \widetilde{\omega}|_{M}$ , where  $p \in M$  is identified with its corresponding unit element  $e_{p} \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $A\mathcal{G}$  is the Lie algebroid of  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ . Let  $\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)} := \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)}$  and  $\omega := \varphi(\widetilde{\omega})$ . Then  $\varphi$  is a vector space isomorphism and

$$(3.3) \qquad \left[ (d\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)})(\widetilde{X}_1, \dots, \widetilde{X}_{k+1}) \right](g) = \left[ (d_{A\mathcal{G}}\omega)(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1}) \right] (s(g)),$$

for all  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma_L(\wedge^k(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$ ,  $p \in M$ ,  $g \in t^{-1}(p)$ , and  $X_i \in \Gamma(A\mathcal{G})$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, k+1$ , where  $\widetilde{X}_i \in \Gamma(T^t\mathcal{G})$  is the left-invariant vector field associated to  $X_i$ .

**Proof.** The linearity of  $\varphi$  is clear. We now show that  $\varphi$  is injective. Let  $X_i \in \Gamma(A\mathcal{G})$ , i = 1, ..., k be arbitrary sections of  $A\mathcal{G}$  and let  $\widetilde{X}_i$ , i = 1, ..., k denote the corresponding left-invariant vector fields on  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $p \in M$  and  $g \in t^{-1}(p)$ . Note that by equation (3.2), the restriction of  $\widetilde{X}_i$  to  $t^{-1}(p)$  is a vector field on  $t^{-1}(p)$ . Let  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma_L(\wedge^k(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$  and  $\omega := \widetilde{\omega}|_M$ . Using the left-invariance of  $\widetilde{\omega}$ , we have

$$\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)}(\widetilde{X}_{1}, \dots, \widetilde{X}_{k})](g) = \widetilde{\omega}_{g}^{(p)}((\widetilde{X}_{1})_{g}, \dots, (\widetilde{X}_{k})_{g}) 
= \widetilde{\omega}_{g}^{(p)}((l_{g})_{*,s(g)}(X_{1})_{s(g)}, \dots, (l_{g})_{*,s(g)}(X_{k})_{s(g)}) 
= (l_{g}^{*}\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)})_{s(g)}((X_{1})_{s(g)}, \dots, (X_{k})_{s(g)}) 
= \widetilde{\omega}_{s(g)}^{(s(g))}((X_{1})_{s(g)}, \dots, (X_{k})_{s(g)}) 
= \omega_{s(g)}((X_{1})_{s(g)}, \dots, (X_{k})_{s(g)}) 
= [\omega(X_{1}, \dots, X_{k})](s(g)).$$
(3.4)

Equation (3.4) can be rewritten more generally as

(3.5) 
$$\widetilde{\omega}(\widetilde{X}_1, \dots, \widetilde{X}_k) = s^*[\omega(X_1, \dots, X_k)],$$

where we recall that  $\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)}$  is just the restriction of  $\widetilde{\omega}$  to  $t^{-1}(p)$ . Equation (3.5) implies that  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is uniquely determined by  $\omega := \widetilde{\omega}|_M \in \Gamma(\wedge^k(A\mathcal{G})^*)$ . Hence,  $\varphi$  is injective. On the other hand, if  $\beta \in \Gamma(\wedge^k(A\mathcal{G})^*)$ , then one obtains an element  $\widetilde{\beta} \in \Gamma_L(\wedge^k(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$  by defining

(3.6) 
$$\widetilde{\beta}_g(u_1, \dots, u_k) := \beta_{s(q)}((l_{q^{-1}})_{*,q}u_1, \dots, (l_{q^{-1}})_{*,q}u_k).$$

for  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ ,  $u_1, \ldots, u_k \in (T^t \mathcal{G})_g$ . From the definition, it follows that  $\widetilde{\beta}|_M = \beta$ . Hence,  $\varphi$  is also surjective which proves that  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism.

Next, let  $X_{k+1} \in \Gamma(A\mathcal{G})$  and let  $X_{k+1}$  be the associated left-invariant vector field on  $\mathcal{G}$ . Let  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \left[\widetilde{X}_{k+1}(\widetilde{\omega}(\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k}))\right](g) &= \left(\widetilde{X}_{k+1}\right)_{g}(\widetilde{\omega}(\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k})) \\ &= \left(\widetilde{X}_{k+1}\right)_{g}\left(s^{*}[\omega(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k})]\right) \\ &= \left((l_{g})_{*,s(g)}(X_{k+1})_{s(g)}\right)\left([\omega(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k})]\circ s\right) \\ &= \left(X_{k+1}\right)_{s(g)}\left([\omega(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k})]\circ s\circ l_{g}\right) \\ &= \left(X_{k+1}\right)_{s(g)}\left([\omega(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k})]\circ s\right) \\ &= \left(X_{k+1}\right)_{s(g)}\left([\omega(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k})]\circ s\right) \\ &= s_{*,s(g)}\left((X_{k+1})_{s(g)}\right)[\omega(X_{1},\ldots,X_{k})] \end{split}$$

$$(3.7)$$

where the second equality follows from equation (3.5), the fifth equality follows from the fact that  $s \circ l_g = s|_{t^{-1}(s(g))}$ , and the last equality follows from the fact that the anchor map associated to  $A\mathcal{G}$  is  $\rho = s_*|_{A\mathcal{G}}$ . Equation (3.7) can be written more generally as

$$(3.8) \widetilde{X}_{k+1}(\widetilde{\omega}(\widetilde{X}_1,\ldots,\widetilde{X}_k)) = s^* \left(\rho(X_{k+1})[\omega(X_1,\ldots,X_k)]\right).$$

Now let  $p \in M$  and  $g \in t^{-1}(p)$ . Then

$$[(d\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)})(\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k+1})](g) = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+1} (\widetilde{X}_{i})_{g} [\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)}(\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widehat{\widetilde{X}}_{i},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k+1})]$$

$$+ \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} [\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)}([\widetilde{X}_{i},\widetilde{X}_{j}],\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widehat{\widetilde{X}}_{i},\ldots,\widehat{\widetilde{X}}_{j},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k+1})](g)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+1} (\widetilde{X}_{i})_{g} [\widetilde{\omega}(\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widehat{\widetilde{X}}_{i},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k+1})]$$

$$+ \sum_{i < i} (-1)^{i+j} [\widetilde{\omega}([\widetilde{X}_{i},\widetilde{X}_{j}],\widetilde{X}_{1},\ldots,\widehat{\widetilde{X}}_{i},\ldots,\widehat{\widetilde{X}}_{j},\ldots,\widetilde{X}_{k+1})](g)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+1} \rho((X_i)_{s(g)}) [\omega(X_1, \dots, \widehat{X}_i, \dots, X_{k+1})]$$

$$+ \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j} [\omega([X_i, X_j], X_1, \dots, \widehat{X}_i, \dots, \widehat{X}_j, \dots, X_{k+1})] (s(g))$$

$$= [(d_{AG}\omega)(X_1, \dots, X_{k+1})] (s(g))$$

where the third equality follows from equations (3.5) and (3.8) and the fact that  $[X_i, X_j] := [\widetilde{X}_i, \widetilde{X}_j]|_M$ . This completes the proof.

We now define the Lie groupoid analogue of a symplectic Lie group. The motivation for this definition will become clear shortly.

**Definition 3.5.** A t-symplectic Lie groupoid is a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  together with a left-invariant section  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma(\wedge^2(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$  with the property that  $(t^{-1}(p), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)})$  is a symplectic manifold for all  $p \in M$ . The section  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is called a t-symplectic form on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ .

Here are some immediate consequences of Definition 3.1 and Definition 3.5:

**Corollary 3.6.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  be a Lie groupoid and let  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma(\wedge^2(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$ . Then  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is a t-symplectic form iff  $(t^{-1}(p), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)})$  is a symplectic manifold for all  $p \in M$  and

$$l_g \colon (t^{-1}(s(g)), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(s(g))}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (t^{-1}(t(g)), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(t(g))})$$

is a symplectomorphism for all  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ .

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $(\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M, \widetilde{\omega})$  be a t-symplectic Lie groupoid. Then dim  $\mathcal{G}$  – dim M is even.

**Proof.** Let  $p \in M$ . By Definition 3.5,  $(t^{-1}(p), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)})$  is a symplectic manifold. Hence  $t^{-1}(p)$  is an even-dimensional manifold. Since t is a submersion, we have

$$\dim t^{-1}(p) = \dim \mathcal{G} - \dim M.$$

This completes the proof.

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  be a Lie groupoid. There is a one-to-one correspondence between quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid structures on  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M)$  and t-symplectic Lie groupoid structures on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ . This correspondence is given as follows. Let

$$\varphi: \Gamma_L(\wedge^2(T^t\mathcal{G})^*) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Gamma(\wedge^2(A\mathcal{G})^*), \quad \widetilde{\omega} \mapsto \widetilde{\omega}|_M$$

be the vector space isomorphism of Proposition 3.4. Let  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma_L(\wedge^2(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M, \widetilde{\omega})$  is a t-symplectic Lie groupoid iff  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M, \varphi(\widetilde{\omega}))$  is a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid.

**Proof.** Suppose  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M, \omega)$  is a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid. By Proposition 3.4, there exists a unique section  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma_L(\wedge^2(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$  such that  $\widetilde{\omega}|_M = \omega$ . From the proof of Proposition 3.4,  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is given explicitly by

(3.9) 
$$\widetilde{\omega}_g(u,v) = \omega_{s(q)}((l_{q^{-1}})_{*,g}u,(l_{q^{-1}})_{*,g}v)$$

for  $g \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $u, v \in (T^t \mathcal{G})_q$ . Since  $\omega$  is nondegenerate on  $A\mathcal{G}$  and

$$(l_g)_{*,h} \colon (T^t \mathcal{G})_h \xrightarrow{\sim} (T^t \mathcal{G})_{gh}$$

is a vector space isomorphism for all  $g \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $h \in t^{-1}(s(g))$ , it follows that  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is nondegenerate on  $T^t\mathcal{G}$ . In particular,  $\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)} := \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)}$  is nondegenerate on

$$Tt^{-1}(p) = (T^t\mathcal{G})|_{t^{-1}(p)}$$

for all  $p \in M$ .

Now let  $X, Y \in \Gamma(A\mathcal{G})$  be arbitrary and let  $\widetilde{X}, \widetilde{Y} \in \Gamma(T^t\mathcal{G})$  be the associated left-invariant vector fields on  $\mathcal{G}$ . By Proposition 3.4,

$$(3.10) \quad \left[ (d\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)})(\widetilde{X}, \widetilde{Y}) \right](g) = \left[ (d_{A\mathcal{G}}\omega)(X, Y) \right] \left( s(g) \right), \quad \forall \ p \in M, \ g \in t^{-1}(p).$$

Since  $d_{A\mathcal{G}}\omega = 0$ , equation (3.10) implies that  $d\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)} = 0$  for all  $p \in M$ . Hence,  $\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)}$  is a closed and nondegenerate 2-form on  $t^{-1}(p)$  for all  $p \in M$ . Hence,  $(t^{-1}(p), \widetilde{\omega}^{(p)})$  is a symplectic manifold for all  $p \in M$ .

On the other hand, suppose that  $(\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M, \widetilde{\omega})$  is a t-symplectic Lie groupoid for some  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma_L(\wedge^2(T^t\mathcal{G})^*)$ . Let  $\omega := \widetilde{\omega}|_M$ . Since  $(t^{-1}(p), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)})$  is a symplectic manifold and

$$(A\mathcal{G})_p = (T^t \mathcal{G})_p = T_p t^{-1}(p)$$

for all  $p \in M$  (where, as usual, we identify M with the unit elements of  $\mathcal{G}$ ), it follows immediately that  $\omega := \widetilde{\omega}|_M$  is nongenerate on  $A\mathcal{G}$ . Since  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is left-invariant, Proposition 3.4 implies equation (3.10). Since  $d\widetilde{\omega}^{(p)} = 0$  for all  $p \in M$  and  $s : \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow M$  is surjective, it follows that  $d_{A\mathcal{G}}\omega = 0$  as well. Hence,  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M, \omega)$  is a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid.

Since the above constructions are clearly inverse to one another, the one-to-one correspondence between t-symplectic Lie groupoid structures on  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$  and quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid structures on  $(A\mathcal{G}, \rho, M)$  is established.

We conclude this section with a few elementary examples of t-symplectic Lie groupoids.

**Example 3.9.** Every symplectic Lie group is naturally a t-symplectic Lie groupoid over a point (and vice versa).

**Example 3.10.** Let  $(M, \omega)$  be a symplectic manifold and let  $M \times M \rightrightarrows M$  be the pair groupoid with

$$s(p,q) := q, \qquad t(p,q) := p$$

for  $p,\,q\in M.$  Let  $j\colon T^t(M\times M)\hookrightarrow T(M\times M)$  be the inclusion map and let

$$\widetilde{\omega} := j^*(s^*\omega) \in \Gamma \big( \wedge^2 (T^t(M \times M))^* \big)$$

where  $j^*$  denotes the dual map. Then  $M \times M \rightrightarrows M$  together with  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is a t-symplectic Lie groupoid. The associated quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid is just the tangent algebroid  $(TM, \mathrm{id}_M, M)$  with  $\omega$  as the nondegenerate 2-cocycle.

**Example 3.11.** Let M be a manifold with a smooth left-action by a Lie group G. Let  $G \times M \rightrightarrows M$  be the associated action groupoid.

Now suppose that G admits a left-invariant symplectic form  $\omega$ , that is,  $(G, \omega)$  is a symplectic Lie group. Then  $\omega$  induces a t-symplectic form  $\widetilde{\omega}$  on  $G \times M \rightrightarrows M$ . To construct  $\widetilde{\omega}$ , let

$$j: T^t(G \times M) \hookrightarrow T(G \times M)$$

be the inclusion map and let  $\pi_1: G \times M \longrightarrow G$  denote the natural projection map. Then  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma(\wedge^2(T^t(G \times M))^*)$  is defined by  $\widetilde{\omega} := j^*(\pi_1^*\omega)$ .

We now verify that  $\widetilde{\omega}$  satisfies the conditions of a t-symplectic form. For  $p \in M$ , let

$$i_p \colon t^{-1}(p) \hookrightarrow G \times M$$

be the inclusion. Then

(3.11) 
$$\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)} = i_p^*(\pi_1^*\omega) = (\pi_1 \circ i_p)^*\omega.$$

Equation (3.11) together with the fact that  $d\omega = 0$  implies that

$$(3.12) d(\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)}) = 0$$

for all  $p \in M$ . Now let  $(g, p) \in t^{-1}(p)$  and let  $u, v \in T_{(g,p)}t^{-1}(p)$ . Since  $t^{-1}(p) = G \times \{p\}$ , it follows that

$$u = (x, 0_p), \quad v = (y, 0_p)$$

for some  $x, y \in T_qG$ . Hence,

$$(3.13) \qquad (\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)})_{(q,p)}(u,v) = ((\pi_1 \circ i_p)^* \omega)_{(q,p)}(u,v) = \omega_q(x,y).$$

Since  $\omega$  is nondegenerate, it follows that  $\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)}$  is also nondegenerate. Hence,  $t^{-1}(p)$  together with  $\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)}$  is a symplectic manifold.

All that remains to check is that for all  $(g, p) \in G \times M$ , the left-translation map

$$(3.14) l_{(g,p)}: t^{-1}(g^{-1}p) = G \times \{g^{-1}p\} \longrightarrow t^{-1}(p) = G \times \{p\}$$

is a symplectomorphism (where we note that  $s(g,p)=g^{-1}p$  and t(g,p)=p). This can be seen as follows:

$$\begin{split} (l_{(g,p)})^* \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)} &= (l_{(g,p)})^* ((\pi_1 \circ i_p)^* \omega) \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ i_p \circ l_{(g,p)})^* \omega \\ &= (l_g \circ \pi_1 \circ i_{g^{-1}p})^* \omega \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ i_{g^{-1}p})^* [(l_g)^* \omega] \\ &= (\pi_1 \circ i_{g^{-1}p})^* \omega \\ &= \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(g^{-1}p)} \,, \end{split}$$

where the fifth equality follows from the fact that  $\omega$  is left-invariant. This proves that  $(G \times M \rightrightarrows M, \widetilde{\omega})$  is a t-symplectic Lie groupoid.

**Example 3.12.** Let  $(M, \omega)$  be a symplectic manifold and let  $(G, \beta)$  be a symplectic Lie group. Let

$$M \times G \times M \rightrightarrows M$$

be the Lie groupoid defined by

- (i) s(q, q, p) := p
- (ii) t(q, q, p) := q
- (iii) (r, h, q)(q, g, p) := (r, hg, p)
- (iv) u(p) := (p, e, p)
- (v)  $i(q, g, p) := (p, g^{-1}, q)$ .

Let

$$\widehat{\omega} := \pi_2^* \beta + \pi_2^* \omega \,,$$

where  $\pi_2 \colon M \times G \times M \longrightarrow G$  and  $\pi_3 \colon M \times G \times M \longrightarrow M$  are the natural projection maps. Also, define the following inclusion maps

$$j: T^t(M \times G \times M) \hookrightarrow T(M \times G \times M), \quad i_p: t^{-1}(p) \hookrightarrow M \times G \times M$$

for  $p \in M$ . Define  $\widetilde{\omega} := i^* \widehat{\omega}$ .

Since  $\beta$  and  $\omega$  are symplectic forms on G and M respectively and

$$t^{-1}(p) = \{p\} \times G \times M \,,$$

it follows immediately that  $(t^{-1}(p), \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)})$  is a symplectic manifold for all  $p \in M$ . Furthermore, we have

$$(l_{(q,g,p)})^*(\widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(q)}) = (l_{(q,g,p)})^*(i_q^*\widehat{\omega})$$

$$= (i_q \circ l_{(q,g,p)})^*\widehat{\omega}$$

$$= (i_q \circ l_{(q,g,p)})^*(\pi_2^*\beta + \pi_3^*\omega)$$

$$= (\pi_2 \circ i_q \circ l_{(q,g,p)})^*\beta + (\pi_3 \circ i_q \circ l_{(q,g,p)})^*\omega$$

$$= (l_g \circ \pi_2 \circ i_p)^*\beta + (\pi_3 \circ i_p)^*\omega$$

$$= i_p^* \circ \pi_2^* \circ (l_g^*\beta) + i_p^*(\pi_3^*\omega)$$

$$= i_p^*(\pi_2^*\beta + \pi_3^*\omega)$$

$$= i_p^*\widehat{\omega}$$

$$= \widetilde{\omega}|_{t^{-1}(p)},$$

for all  $p, q \in M, g \in G$ , where the seventh equality follows from the left-invariance of  $\beta$ . Hence,  $M \times G \times M \rightrightarrows M$  together with  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is a t-symplectic Lie groupoid.

## 4. Symplectic Lie group bundles

In this section, we introduce the notion of a *symplectic Lie group bundle* (SLGB), which combines the notion of a *t*-symplectic Lie groupoid with that of a Lie group bundle<sup>1</sup>. Formally, SLGBs are defined as follows:

**Definition 4.1.** A symplectic Lie group bundle consists of the following data:  $(G, \omega, E, \pi, M, \widetilde{\omega})$ , where

- (i)  $(G, \omega)$  is a symplectic Lie group
- (ii)  $\pi : E \to M$  is smooth fiber bundle with fiber G
- (iii)  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is a smooth section of  $\wedge^2(\ker \pi_*)^*$  such that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See [10, 11] for a review of Lie group bundles.

- (a) for all  $p \in M$ , the fiber  $E_p := \pi^{-1}(p)$  has a Lie group structure (where the smooth structure on the Lie group coincides with the smooth structure on  $E_p$  as an embedded submanifold of E)
- (b) for all  $p \in M$ ,  $\gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega}$  is a left-invariant symplectic form on  $E_p$ , where

$$\gamma_p \colon T(E_p) \hookrightarrow \ker \pi_*$$

is the inclusion

(c) there exists a system of local trivializations

$$\{\psi_i \colon \pi^{-1}(U_i) \stackrel{\sim}{\to} U_i \times G\}$$

such that for all i and  $p \in U_i$ ,

$$\psi_{i,p} \colon (E_p, \gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (G, \omega)$$

is an isomorphism of symplectic Lie groups, where  $\psi_{i,p}$  is the composition

$$E_p \xrightarrow{\psi_i} \{p\} \times G \xrightarrow{\sim} G$$

**Proposition 4.2.** Every SLGB has a canonical t-symplectic Lie groupoid structure.

**Proof.** Let  $(G, \omega, E, \pi, M, \widetilde{\omega})$  be a SLGB. Since  $E \to M$  is a Lie group bundle, one can also regard it as a Lie groupoid  $E \rightrightarrows M$  as follows:

- 1. the source and target maps are defined by  $s = t := \pi$
- 2. the unit map  $u: M \to E$  is defined by  $u(p) := 1_p$  for all  $p \in M$  where  $1_p$  is the identity element on  $E_p$
- 3. the groupoid multiplication is induced by the fiber-wise group multiplication:  $E_p \times E_p \to E_p$
- 4. the inverse map  $i: E \to E$  is induced by the fiber-wise inverse map  $E_p \to E_p$ Since  $s = t = \pi$ , we have

$$t^{-1}(s(x)) = t^{-1}(t(x)) = E_{\pi(x)}, \quad \forall x \in E.$$

By Definition 4.1,

$$\gamma_{\pi(x)}^* \widetilde{\omega} = \widetilde{\omega}|_{E_{\pi(x)}}$$

is a left-invariant symplectic form on  $E_{\pi(x)}$  for all  $x \in E$ . Hence,

$$l_x \colon (E_{\pi(x)}, \widetilde{\omega}|_{E_{\pi(x)}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (E_{\pi(x)}, \widetilde{\omega}|_{E_{\pi(x)}})$$

is a symplectomorphism. By Corollary 3.6,  $\widetilde{\omega}$  is a *t*-symplectic form on  $E \rightrightarrows M$ . This completes the proof.

**Proposition 4.3.** Let  $\mathcal{E} = (G, \omega, E, \pi, M, \widetilde{\omega})$  be a SLGB and let  $(AE, \rho, M, \beta)$  be the associated quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid (where  $\mathcal{E}$  is equipped with its canonical t-symplectic Lie groupoid structure). Then

- (i)  $\rho \equiv 0$
- (ii) the Lie bracket on  $\Gamma(AE)$  is  $C^{\infty}(M)$ -bilinear; in particular, there is an induced Lie algebra structure on the fiber  $(AE)_p$  for all  $p \in M$

(iii) there exists a system of local trivializations

$$\{\varphi_i \colon \pi_{AE}^{-1}(U_i) \xrightarrow{\sim} U_i \times \mathfrak{g}\}$$

such that for all i and  $p \in U_i$ ,

$$\varphi_{i,p} \colon ((AE)_p, \beta_p) \xrightarrow{\sim} (\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$$

is an isomorphism of quasi-Frobenius Lie algebras, where  $\pi_{AE}$  is the projection map from AE to M,  $(\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$  is the quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra associated to  $(G, \omega)$ , and  $\varphi_{i,p}$  is the composition

$$(AE)_p \xrightarrow{\varphi_i} \{p\} \times \mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{g}.$$

**Proof.** (i) follows from the fact that

$$AE := (\ker t_*)|_{u(M)}$$

 $\rho := s_*|_{AE}$ , and  $s = t = \pi$  from the proof of Proposition 4.2. (Recall that we regard AE as a vector bundle over M by identifying the unit element  $1_p \in E$  with  $p \in M$ .)

(ii) follows from the Leibniz property of the Lie bracket on  $\Gamma(AE)$  together with the fact that the anchor map  $\rho$  is identically zero.

For (iii), let

$$\{\psi_i \colon \pi^{-1}(U_i) \xrightarrow{\sim} U_i \times G\}$$

be a system of local trivialization on  $\pi: E \to M$  such that for all i and  $p \in U_i$ ,

$$\psi_{i,p} \colon (E_p, \gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (G, \omega)$$

is an isomorphism of symplectic Lie groups, where  $\gamma_p \colon T(E_p) \hookrightarrow \ker \pi_*$  is the inclusion. For each i, the restriction of

$$(\psi_i)_* : T(\pi^{-1}(U_i)) \xrightarrow{\sim} T(U_i \times G)$$

to  $AE|_{U_i}$  induces a local trivialization

$$\varphi_i \colon AE|_{U_i} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_i \times \mathfrak{g}$$
.

Furthermore, for all i and  $p \in U_i$ ,

$$\varphi_{i,p} \colon ((AE)_p, \beta_p) \xrightarrow{\sim} (\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$$

is an isomorphism of quasi-Frobenius Lie algebras. Indeed, this follows from the fact that  $(AE)_p = T_{1_p}(E_p)$ ,

$$\beta_p = \widetilde{\omega}_{1_p} = [\gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega}]_{1_p}$$

by Theorem 3.8, and  $\psi_{i,p}$  is an isomorphism of symplectic Lie groups. This completes the proof.

**Remark 4.4.** The Lie algebroid appearing in Proposition 4.3 is both a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid and a Lie algebra bundle<sup>2</sup>. For this reason, it is only natural that we call a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebroid  $(A, \rho, M, \beta)$  satisfying conditions (i)–(iii) of Proposition 4.3 a quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra bundle (QFLAB).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>See [10, 11] for a review of Lie algebra bundles.

We now give a characterization of general SLGBs. To this end, we will make use of the following results:

**Lemma 4.5.** Let  $\varphi \colon G \to H$  be a Lie group homomorphism and let  $\theta \in \Omega^k(H)$  be a left-invariant k-form. Then  $\varphi^*\theta \in \Omega^k(G)$  is also left-invariant.

**Proof.** This is just a direct calculation:

$$\begin{split} l_g^*(\varphi^*\theta) &= (\varphi \circ l_g)^*\theta \\ &= (l_{\varphi(g)} \circ \varphi)^*\theta \\ &= \varphi^*(l_{\varphi(g)}^*\theta) \\ &= \varphi^*\theta \,. \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

**Lemma 4.6.** Let  $(G, \omega)$  be a symplectic Lie group and let M be a manifold. Let  $\pi_1 \colon M \times G \to M$  and  $\pi_2 \colon M \times G \to G$  denote the natural projections. Also, let  $\tau \colon \ker(\pi_1)_* \hookrightarrow T(M \times G)$  be the inclusion. Then

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$$(G, \omega, M \times G, \pi_1, M, \tau^*(\pi_2^*\omega))$$

is a SLGB, where for all  $p \in M$ , the Lie group structure on  $\pi_1^{-1}(p)$  is the natural one.

**Proof.** For  $p \in M$ , let

$$\gamma_p \colon T(\{p\} \times G) \hookrightarrow \ker(\pi_1)_*$$

and

$$\iota_p \colon \{p\} \times G \hookrightarrow M \times G$$

denote the inclusion maps. Note that

$$\gamma_p^*(\tau^*(\pi_2^*\omega)) = (\tau \circ \gamma_p)^*(\pi_2^*\omega)$$

$$= (\iota_p)^*(\pi_2^*\omega)$$

$$= (\pi_2 \circ \iota_p)^*\omega.$$
(4.1)

Then for  $q \in G$ , we have

$$(l_{(p,g)})^* [\gamma_p^* (\tau^* (\pi_2^* \omega))] = (l_{(p,g)})^* [(\pi_2 \circ \iota_p)^* \omega]$$
  
=  $(\pi_2 \circ \iota_p)^* \omega$   
=  $\gamma_p^* (\tau^* (\pi_2^* \omega))$ 

where we have used (4.1) in the first and third equality and Lemma 4.5 in the second equality, where we note that

$$\pi_2 \circ \iota_p \colon \{p\} \times G \to G$$

is a Lie group isomorphism. Hence,  $\gamma_p^*(\tau^*(\pi_2^*\omega))$  is left-invariant. Furthermore, (4.1) implies that  $\omega$  is closed and non-degenerate, i.e., symplectic. This proves that  $(\pi_1^{-1}(p), \gamma_p^*(\tau^*(\pi_2^*\omega)))$  is a symplectic Lie group. Lastly, the identity map

id: 
$$M \times G \to M \times G$$

is the desired trivialization for the SLGB structure. This completes the proof.

**Proposition 4.7.** Let  $(G, \omega)$  be a connected symplectic Lie group and let  $Aut(G, \omega)$  be the group of automorphisms of  $(G, \omega)$ . Then  $Aut(G, \omega)$  is a finite dimensional Lie group. Furthermore, if G is simply connected, then  $Aut(G, \omega) \simeq Aut(\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$  as Lie groups, where  $(\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$  is the quasi-Frobenius Lie algebra associated to  $(G, \omega)$  and  $Aut(\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$  is the group of automorphisms of  $(\mathfrak{g}, \omega_e)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be the Lie algebra of G. In [4], Chevalley proved that the automorphism group of any finite dimensional connected Lie group is again a finite dimensional Lie group. To show that  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  is a Lie group, it suffices to show that  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  is a closed subset of the Lie group  $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$ ; the closed subgroup theorem [15] then implies that  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  is an embedded Lie subgroup of  $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$ .

To this end, define

$$f: \operatorname{Aut}(G) \to \operatorname{Aut}(\mathfrak{g}) \subset GL(\mathfrak{g}), \quad \varphi \mapsto \varphi_* \colon \mathfrak{g} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{g}.$$

Since G is connected,  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}(G)$  is uniquely determined by  $f(\varphi) \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$ . From [4], the Lie group structure on  $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$  is obtained by using f to identify  $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$  with im f, which is shown to be a closed subgroup of the Lie group  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$  (which in turn is a closed subgroup of  $GL(\mathfrak{g})$ ).

By definition,

$$\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega) = \{ \varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}(G) \mid \varphi^*\omega = \omega \}.$$

Let  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}(G)$  be a limit point of  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  and let  $\{\varphi_n\} \subset \operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  be a sequence which converges to  $\varphi$ . Since f is a Lie group isomorphism from  $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$  to im f (in particular - a homeomorphism), we have

$$f(\varphi_n) = (\varphi_n)_* \to f(\varphi) = \varphi_*$$
.

Hence, for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{g} = T_e G$ , we have

$$\varphi^* \omega_e(x, y) = \omega_e(\varphi_* x, \varphi_* y)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \omega_e((\varphi_n)_* x, (\varphi_n)_* y)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} (\varphi_n)^* \omega_e(x, y)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} [(\varphi_n)^* \omega]_e(x, y)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \omega_e(x, y)$$

$$= \omega_e(x, y),$$

where we have used the fact that  $\varphi_n \in \operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  in the second to last equality. Hence,  $\varphi^*\omega_e = \omega_e$ . Since  $\omega$  is left-invariant and  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}(G)$ , it follows that  $\varphi^*\omega = \omega$ . This shows that  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$ , which in turn implies that  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  is a closed subset of  $\operatorname{Aut}(G)$ .

For the last part of Proposition 4.7, suppose that G is simply connected. Then

$$f : \operatorname{Aut}(G) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$$

is a Lie group isomorphism. In addition, note that  $f(\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)) = \operatorname{Aut}(\mathfrak{g},\omega_e)$ . Hence, the restriction of f to  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  gives a Lie group isomorphism from  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$  to  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathfrak{g},\omega_e)$ . This completes the proof.

The following result provides an alternate way of viewing SLGBs:

**Theorem 4.8.** Let  $(G, \omega)$  be a connected symplectic Lie group and let  $\pi \colon E \to M$  be a smooth fiber bundle with fiber G. Then  $\pi \colon E \to M$  admits the structure of a SLGB if and only if there exists a system of local trivializations

$$\{\psi_i \colon \pi^{-1}(U_i) \to U_i \times G\}$$

for which all the transition functions take their values in the Lie group  $Aut(G,\omega)$ .

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ). Suppose  $(G, \omega, E, \pi, M, \widetilde{\omega})$  is a SLGB. By Definition 4.1, there exists a system of local trivializations

$$\{\psi_i \colon \pi^{-1}(U_i) \xrightarrow{\sim} U_i \times G\}$$

such that

$$\psi_{i,p} \colon (E_p, \gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (G, \omega)$$

is an isomorphism of symplectic Lie groups for all i and  $p \in U_i$ , where  $\gamma_p \colon T(E_p) \hookrightarrow \ker (\pi_E)_*$  is the inclusion. This implies that for all i, j such that  $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$  and for all  $p \in U_i \cap U_j$ , the map

$$\psi_{j,p} \circ \psi_{i,p}^{-1} \colon (G,\omega) \xrightarrow{\sim} (G,\omega) \quad g \mapsto \phi_{ji}(p)g$$

is an automorphism of  $(G, \omega)$ , where  $\phi_{ji}$  is the transition function associated to  $\psi_j \circ \psi_i^{-1}$ . Hence, im  $\phi_{ji} \subset \operatorname{Aut}(G, \omega)$ .

 $(\Leftarrow)$ . On the other hand, suppose that  $\pi \colon E \to M$  is a smooth fiber bundle with fiber G for which there exists a system of local trivializations

$$\{\psi_i \colon \pi^{-1}(U_i) \xrightarrow{\sim} U_i \times G\}$$

whose transition functions all take their values in the Lie group  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$ . First, we define a Lie group structure on the fibers of E. Let  $p \in M$  and let  $U_i$  be any open set such that  $p \in U_i$ . The (abstract) group structure on the fiber  $E_p$  is obtained by declaring

$$\psi_{i,p} \colon E_p \xrightarrow{\sim} G$$

to be a group isomorphism. Hence, for  $g, h \in G$ , the product, inverse, and identity on  $E_p$  are given respectively by

$$(4.2) \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(g) \cdot \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(h) := \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(gh), (\psi_{i,p}^{-1}(g))^{-1} := \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(g^{-1})$$

and  $1_p := \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(e)$ , where e is the identity element on G. Since  $\psi_{i,p}$  is a diffeomorphism, the above product and inverse maps are smooth with respect to the manifold structure on  $E_p$ . Hence, (4.2) defines a Lie group structure on  $E_p$ .

To show that the group structure on  $E_p$  is well-defined, let  $U_j$  be another open set such that  $p \in U_j$ . Let

$$\phi_{ji} \colon U_i \cap U_j \to \operatorname{Aut}(G, \omega)$$

be the transition function associated to  $\psi_j \circ \psi_i^{-1}$ . Then

$$\psi_{i,p}^{-1}(g) = \psi_{j,p}^{-1}(\phi_{ji}(p)g), \quad \forall g \in G.$$

Let  $\cdot_i$  and  $\cdot_j$  denote the group products defined by  $\psi_{i,p}$  and  $\psi_{j,p}$  respectively. Since  $\phi_{ii}(p) \in \text{Aut}(G,\omega)$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(g) \cdot_{i} \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(h) &= \psi_{i,p}^{-1}(gh) \\ &= \psi_{j,p}^{-1} \left( \phi_{ji}(p)(gh) \right) \\ &= \psi_{j,p}^{-1} \left( \left[ \phi_{ji}(p)(g) \right] \left[ \phi_{ji}(p)(h) \right] \right) \\ &= \psi_{j,p}^{-1} \left( \phi_{ji}(p)(g) \right) \cdot_{j} \psi_{j,p}^{-1} \left( \phi_{ji}(p)(h) \right) \end{split}$$

for  $g, h \in G$ . This implies that the group product on  $E_p$  is well-defined. In a similar fashion, one can show that the identity element and the inverse map on  $E_p$  are also well-defined.

Next, for  $p \in U_i$ , define  $\omega^{(p)} := \psi_{i,p}^* \omega$ . Then  $\omega^{(p)}$  is a symplectic form on  $E_p$ . Moreover, since  $\psi_{i,p}$  is a Lie group isomorphism, Lemma 4.5 implies that  $\omega^{(p)}$  is also left-invariant. From the definition of  $\omega^{(p)}$ , it follows that

$$\psi_{i,p}: (E_p, \omega^{(p)}) \xrightarrow{\sim} (G, \omega)$$

is an isomorphism of symplectic Lie groups. To see that the definition of  $\omega^{(p)}$  is well-defined, let  $U_i$  be another open set such that  $p \in U_i$ . Then

$$(\psi_{j,p} \circ \psi_{i,p}^{-1})^* \omega = (\phi_{ji}(p))^* \omega = \omega$$

since  $\phi_{ji}(p) \in \operatorname{Aut}(G, \omega)$ . This implies that

$$\psi_{i,p}^*\omega = \psi_{i,p}^*\omega,$$

which proves that  $\omega^{(p)}$  is well-defined.

Lastly, we construct a section  $\widetilde{\omega}$  of  $\wedge^2(\ker \pi_*)^*$  such that

(4.3) 
$$\gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega} = \omega^{(p)}, \quad \forall \ p \in M$$

where  $\gamma_p : T(E_p) \hookrightarrow \ker \pi_*$  is the inclusion. To begin, for each i, equip the bundle

$$\pi_{1,i}: U_i \times G \to U_i$$

with the SLGB structure given by Lemma 4.6. The t-symplectic form on  $U_i \times G$  is then  $\tau_i^*(\pi_{2,i}^*\omega)$ , where

$$\pi_{2,i} \colon U_i \times G \to G, \quad \tau_i \colon \ker (\pi_{1,i})_* \hookrightarrow T(U_i \times G)$$

are the natural maps. Let  $\widetilde{\pi}_i$  denote the restriction of  $\pi$  to  $\pi^{-1}(U_i)$  and define

$$\widetilde{\psi}_i := (\psi_i)_*|_{\ker(\widetilde{\pi}_i)_*}$$
.

Since  $\pi_{1,i} \circ \psi_i = \widetilde{\pi}_i$ , it follows that

$$\widetilde{\psi}_i \colon \ker(\widetilde{\pi}_i)_* \xrightarrow{\sim} \ker(\pi_{1,i})_*$$

is a vector bundle isomorphism.

Now define  $\widetilde{\omega}_i := (\widetilde{\psi}_i)^* [\tau_i^*(\pi_{2,i}^*\omega)]$ . Let  $p \in U_i, x \in E_p$ , and

$$u, v \in \ker(\widetilde{\pi}_i)_{*,x} = \ker \pi_{*,x} = T_x(E_p).$$

Then

$$(\widetilde{\omega}_{i})_{x}(u,v) = \left[ (\widetilde{\psi}_{i})^{*} [\tau_{i}^{*}(\pi_{2,i}^{*}\omega)] \right]_{x}(u,v)$$

$$= \left[ \tau_{i}^{*}(\pi_{2,i}^{*}\omega) \right]_{\psi_{i}(x)} (\widetilde{\psi}_{i}(u), \widetilde{\psi}_{i}(v))$$

$$= \left[ (\pi_{2,i}^{*}\omega) \right]_{\psi_{i}(x)} (\tau_{i}(\widetilde{\psi}_{i}(u)), \tau_{i}(\widetilde{\psi}_{i}(v)))$$

$$= \left[ (\pi_{2,i}^{*}\omega) \right]_{\psi_{i}(x)} (\widetilde{\psi}_{i}(u), \widetilde{\psi}_{i}(v))$$

$$= \omega_{\pi_{2,i}\circ\psi_{i}(x)} ((\pi_{2,i})_{*}\circ\widetilde{\psi}_{i}(u), (\pi_{2,i})_{*}\circ\widetilde{\psi}_{i}(v))$$

$$= \omega_{\psi_{i,p}(x)} ((\psi_{i,p})_{*}(u), (\psi_{i,p})_{*}(v))$$

$$= ((\psi_{i,p})^{*}\omega)_{x}(u,v)$$

$$= \omega_{x}^{(p)}(u,v).$$

$$(4.4)$$

This proves that for all pairs i, j such that  $U_i \cap U_j \neq \emptyset$ , we have

$$\widetilde{\omega}_i = \widetilde{\omega}_j$$
 on  $\pi^{-1}(U_i) \cap \pi^{-1}(U_j) = \pi^{-1}(U_i \cap U_j)$ .

Hence, the  $\widetilde{\omega}_i$ 's glue together to form a global section  $\widetilde{\omega} \in \Gamma(\wedge^2(\ker \pi)^*)$ . Moreover, since  $\gamma_p \colon T(E_p) \hookrightarrow \ker \pi_*$  is just the inclusion and  $\widetilde{\omega}|_{\pi^{-1}(U_i)} = \widetilde{\omega}_i$  for all i, (4.4) implies  $\gamma_p^* \widetilde{\omega} = \omega^{(p)}$ . This completes the proof.

We conclude the paper with the following corollary which provides a simple recipe for generating SLGBs:

**Corollary 4.9.** Let  $(G, \omega)$  be a connected symplectic Lie group and let  $\pi: P \to M$  be any principal  $Aut(G, \omega)$ -bundle. Then the associated fiber bundle

$$E := (P \times G) / Aut(G, \omega) \rightarrow M$$

admits the structure of a SLGB, where  $Aut(G, \omega)$  acts naturally on G from the left.

**Proof.** From the definition of the associated fiber bundle, we see that  $E \to M$  is a smooth fiber bundle with fiber G which has a system of local trivializations whose transition functions all take their values in  $\operatorname{Aut}(G,\omega)$ . Theorem 4.8 now implies that  $E \to M$  admits the structure of a SLGB.

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