

THE CLASSICAL HOM-YANG-BAXTER EQUATION AND HOM-LIE BIALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. Motivated by recent work on Hom-Lie algebras and the Hom-Yang-Baxter equation, we introduce a twisted generalization of the classical Yang-Baxter equation (CYBE), called the classical Hom-Yang-Baxter equation (CHYBE). We show how an arbitrary solution of the CYBE induces multiple infinite families of solutions of the CHYBE. We also introduce the closely related structure of Hom-Lie bialgebras, which generalize Drinfel'd's Lie bialgebras. In particular, we study the questions of duality and cobracket perturbation and the sub-classes of coboundary and quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras.

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1. Introduction

The classical Yang-Baxter equation (CYBE), also known as the classical triangle equation, was introduced by Sklyanin [47,48] in the context of quantum inverse scattering method [19,20]. The CYBE in a Lie algebra L states

$$[r_{12}, r_{13}] + [r_{12}, r_{23}] + [r_{13}, r_{23}] = 0$$

for an $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$. Here for $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2$ and $s = \sum s_1 \otimes s_2 \in L^{\otimes 2}$, the three brackets are defined as

$$[r_{12}, s_{13}] = \sum [r_1, s_1] \otimes r_2 \otimes s_2,$$

$$[r_{12}, s_{23}] = \sum r_1 \otimes [r_2, s_1] \otimes s_2,$$

$$[r_{13}, s_{23}] = \sum r_1 \otimes s_1 \otimes [r_2, s_2].$$

Such an r is said to be a solution of the CYBE or a *classical r -matrix*. The CYBE is one of several equations collectively known as the Yang-Baxter equations (YBE), which were first introduced by Baxter, McGuire, and Yang [2,3,51] in statistical mechanics. The various forms of the YBE and some of their uses in physics are summarized in [44].

The CYBE is closely related to many topics in mathematical physics, including Hamiltonian structures [8,9,23,24], Kac-Moody algebras [13,30], Poisson-Lie groups, Poisson-Hopf algebras, quantum groups, Hopf algebras, and Lie bialgebras [10,12,13,14,45,46]. There are many known solutions of the CYBE. For example, each complex semi-simple Lie algebra has a non-trivial classical r -matrix [5,6,7,10,13,28,29]. There are numerous articles in the literature that deal with classical r -matrices, e.g., [4,21,22,42,43,49,50], to name a few. Classification of solutions of the CYBE, possibly in parametrized form, can be found in [5,6,7,31].

The purpose of this paper is to study a twisted generalization of the CYBE and the closely related object of Hom-Lie bialgebra, both of which are motivated by recent work on Hom-Lie algebras and the Hom-Yang-Baxter equation (HYBE). Before we define our twisted CYBE, let us recall some basic definitions and results about Hom-Lie algebras and the HYBE.

A *Hom-Lie algebra* $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ consists of a vector space L , an anti-symmetric bilinear operation $[-, -]: L^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow L$, and a linear map $\alpha: L \rightarrow L$, such that the *Hom-Jacobi identity*

$$[[x, y], \alpha(z)] + [[z, x], \alpha(y)] + [[y, z], \alpha(x)] = 0 \quad (1.1.1)$$

holds for all $x, y, z \in L$. It is *multiplicative* if, in addition,

$$\alpha \circ [-, -] = [-, -] \circ \alpha^{\otimes 2}.$$

If $\alpha = Id$, then the Hom-Jacobi identity reduces to the usual Jacobi identity, and we have a Lie algebra. Hom-Lie algebras were introduced in [25] to describe the structures on some q -deformations of the Witt and the Virasoro algebras. Earlier precursors of Hom-Lie algebras can be found in [1,26,34]. Hom-Lie algebras are closely related to discrete and deformed vector fields [25,32,33]. Further studies of Hom-Lie algebras and related Hom-type algebras can be found in [36]-[40], [52]-[60], and the references therein.

In [54] the author introduced the Hom-Yang-Baxter equation (HYBE) as a Hom-type generalization of the YBE. The HYBE states

$$(\alpha \otimes B) \circ (B \otimes \alpha) \circ (\alpha \otimes B) = (B \otimes \alpha) \circ (\alpha \otimes B) \circ (B \otimes \alpha), \quad (1.1.2)$$

where V is a vector space, $\alpha: V \rightarrow V$ is a linear map, and $B: V^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow V^{\otimes 2}$ is a bilinear, not-necessarily invertible, map that commutes with $\alpha^{\otimes 2}$. The HYBE reduces to the usual YBE when $\alpha = Id$. Several classes of solutions of the HYBE were constructed in [54], including those associated to Hom-Lie algebras and Drinfeld's (dual) quasi-triangular bialgebras [13]. It is also shown in [54] that, just like solutions of the YBE, each solution of the HYBE gives rise to operators that satisfy the braid relations. With an additional invertibility condition, these operators give a representation of the braid group. Additional solutions of the HYBE were

constructed in [56], some of which are closely related to the quantum enveloping algebra of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, the Jones-Conway polynomial, and Yetter-Drinfel'd modules.

As illustrated by the definitions of Hom-Lie algebras and the HYBE, Hom-type structures arise when the identity map is strategically replaced by some twisting map α . With this in mind, we define the *classical Hom-Yang-Baxter equation* (CHYBE) in a Hom-Lie algebra $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ as

$$[[r, r]]^\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [r_{12}, r_{13}] + [r_{12}, r_{23}] + [r_{13}, r_{23}] = 0 \quad (1.1.3)$$

for $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$. The three brackets in (1.1.3) are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} [r_{12}, s_{13}] &= \sum [r_1, s_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) \otimes \alpha(s_2), \\ [r_{12}, s_{23}] &= \sum \alpha(r_1) \otimes [r_2, s_1] \otimes \alpha(s_2), \\ [r_{13}, s_{23}] &= \sum \alpha(r_1) \otimes \alpha(s_1) \otimes [r_2, s_2], \end{aligned} \quad (1.1.4)$$

where $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2$ and $s = \sum s_1 \otimes s_2 \in L^{\otimes 2}$. If $\alpha = Id$ (i.e., L is a Lie algebra), then the CHYBE reduces to the CYBE: $[[r, r]]^{Id} = 0$. In this case, a solution of the CHYBE is just a classical r -matrix.

In this paper we study the CHYBE and related algebraic structures. Let us now briefly describe the results that will be proved in later sections.

First we address the question of constructing solutions of the CHYBE. We go back to Hom-Lie algebras and the HYBE for inspirations. There is a general strategy introduced in [53] that twists an algebraic structure into a corresponding Hom-type object via an endomorphism. In particular, it is not hard to check directly that if L is a Lie algebra and $\alpha: L \rightarrow L$ is a Lie algebra morphism, then $L_\alpha = (L, [-, -]_\alpha, \alpha)$ is a multiplicative Hom-Lie algebra, where the twisted bracket $[-, -]_\alpha$ is defined as $\alpha \circ [-, -]$ [53]. There is a similar result about twisting a solution of the YBE into a solution of the HYBE [56].

In section 2, we show that if $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ is a solution of the CYBE in the Lie algebra L and if $\alpha: L \rightarrow L$ is a Lie algebra morphism, then $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ is a solution of the CHYBE in the Hom-Lie algebra $L_\alpha = (L, [-, -]_\alpha, \alpha)$ for each integer $n \geq 0$ (Theorem 2.2). In other words, each Lie algebra endomorphism and each classical r -matrix induces a (usually infinite) family of solutions of the CHYBE. This gives an efficient method for constructing many solutions of the CHYBE. We illustrate this result with the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, equipped with its standard classical r -matrix (2.2.2). We compute the solutions $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ of the CHYBE for *all* the Lie algebra endomorphisms α on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ (Propositions 2.3 - 2.5), making use of the classification of these maps obtained in [56]. There is a distinct property of these solutions of the CHYBE that is worth mentioning. In fact, on the one hand, the standard classical r -matrix on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ lies in a two-dimensional subspace of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$. On the other hand,

all nine dimensions in $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ are involved in describing $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ for the various endomorphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ (Remark 2.6).

As Drinfel'd explains in [13], classical r -matrices often arise in conjunction with the richer structure of a Lie bialgebra, which consists of a Lie algebra that also has a Lie coalgebra structure, in which the cobracket is a 1-cocycle in Chevalley-Eilenberg cohomology ((3.3.1) with $\alpha = Id$). Dualizing the definition of a Hom-Lie algebra, one can define a Hom-Lie coalgebra (Definition 3.2), as was done in [39]. We generalize Drinfel'd's Lie bialgebra and define *Hom-Lie bialgebra* (Definition 3.3), in which the cobracket satisfies an analogous cocycle condition (3.3.1). In fact, the condition (3.3.1) says exactly that the cobracket in a Hom-Lie bialgebra is a 1-cocycle in Hom-Lie algebra cohomology (Remark 3.4).

In section 3, we show that an arbitrary Lie bialgebra can be twisted into a Hom-Lie bialgebra via any Lie bialgebra endomorphism (Corollary 3.6). This gives an efficient method for constructing Hom-Lie bialgebras. When the twisting maps are invertible, we give a group-theoretic criterion under which two such Hom-Lie bialgebras are isomorphic (Theorem 3.8 - Corollary 3.10). Using these results, we observe that *uncountably many* mutually non-isomorphic Hom-Lie bialgebras $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ can be constructed this way from the Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ (Corollary 3.13 and Corollary 3.14). We also show that Hom-Lie bialgebras have a self-dual property. Namely, for a finite dimensional Hom-Lie bialgebra, its linear dual is also a Hom-Lie bialgebra with the dual bracket, cobracket, and α (Theorem 3.11). These results are illustrated with the Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ (Corollary 3.12 - Corollary 3.15).

The connection between classical r -matrices and Lie bialgebras comes from the sub-classes of coboundary and quasi-triangular Lie bialgebras [13]. A *coboundary Lie bialgebra* (L, r) is a Lie bialgebra L in which the cobracket Δ is a 1-coboundary in Chevalley-Eilenberg cohomology, i.e., $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ for some $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ (see (4.1.1) with $\alpha = Id$). A *quasi-triangular Lie bialgebra* is a coboundary Lie bialgebra (L, r) in which r is also a classical r -matrix (i.e., r satisfies (1.1.3) with $\alpha = Id$).

In section 4, replacing the identity map by a general twisting map α , we define *coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebras* and *quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras* (Definition 4.1) as analogous sub-classes of Hom-Lie bialgebras. In a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra, the cobracket Δ is a 1-coboundary $\text{ad}(r)$ in Hom-Lie algebra cohomology (Remark 4.2). A quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra is a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra in which r is also a solution of the CHYBE (1.1.3). These Hom type objects can be constructed by twisting coboundary and quasi-triangular Lie bialgebras, respectively, via suitable endomorphisms (Corollary 4.4). For example, the Hom-Lie bialgebras $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ in Corollary 3.13 are all quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras (Corollary 4.6). We then describe conditions under which a Hom-Lie algebra

L and an element $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ give a coboundary or a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra (Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 4.4). Going a step further, given a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra, we give several characterizations of when it is a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra (Theorem 4.11), i.e., when r is a solution of the CHYBE.

In section 5, we study cobracket perturbation in (quasi-triangular) Hom-Lie bialgebras, following the perturbation theory initiated by Drinfel'd for quasi-Hopf algebras [11,15,16,17,18]. In particular, we describe conditions under which the cobracket in a Hom-Lie bialgebra can be perturbed by a coboundary to give another Hom-Lie bialgebra (Theorem 5.1 and Corollary 5.3). There is a similar result about cobracket perturbation in a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra (Corollary 5.4).

2. Solutions of the CHYBE from classical r -matrices

2.1. Conventions. Throughout the rest of this paper, we work over a fixed field \mathbf{k} of characteristic 0. Vector spaces, tensor products, linearity, and Hom are all meant over \mathbf{k} . If $f: V \rightarrow V$ is a linear self-map on a vector space V , then $f^n: V \rightarrow V$ denotes the composition $f \circ \cdots \circ f$ of n copies of f , with $f^0 = Id$. For an element $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2 \in V^{\otimes 2}$, the summation sign will often be omitted in computations to simplify the typography.

The first result shows that, given a Lie algebra endomorphism, each classical r -matrix induces an infinite family of solutions of the CHYBE. Afterwards, we will illustrate this result with the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$.

Theorem 2.2. *Let L be a Lie algebra, $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be a solution of the CYBE, and $\alpha: L \rightarrow L$ be a Lie algebra morphism. Then for each integer $n \geq 0$, $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ is a solution of the CHYBE (1.1.3) in the Hom-Lie algebra $L_\alpha = (L, [-, -]_\alpha = \alpha \circ [-, -], \alpha)$.*

Proof. We already mentioned in the introduction that L_α is a Hom-Lie algebra, a fact that is not hard to check directly [53]. (In fact, the Hom-Jacobi identity for $[-, -]_\alpha$ is α^2 applied to the Jacobi identity of $[-, -]$.) It remains to show that $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ satisfies the CHYBE (1.1.3) in the Hom-Lie algebra L_α , i.e.,

$$[[(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r), (\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)]]^\alpha = 0.$$

Write $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2 \in L^{\otimes 2}$, and let $r' = \sum r'_1 \otimes r'_2$ be another copy of r . Using $\alpha([-, -]) = [-, -] \circ \alpha^{\otimes 2}$ and the definition $[-, -]_\alpha = \alpha([-, -])$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
[[(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r), (\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)]]^\alpha &= [\alpha^n(r_1), \alpha^n(r'_1)]_\alpha \otimes \alpha(\alpha^n(r_2)) \otimes \alpha(\alpha^n(r'_2)) \\
&\quad + \alpha(\alpha^n(r_1)) \otimes [\alpha^n(r_2), \alpha^n(r'_1)]_\alpha \otimes \alpha(\alpha^n(r'_2)) \\
&\quad + \alpha(\alpha^n(r_1)) \otimes \alpha(\alpha^n(r'_1)) \otimes [\alpha^n(r_2), \alpha^n(r'_2)]_\alpha \\
&= \alpha^{n+1} \{ [r_1, r'_1] \otimes r_2 \otimes r'_2 + r_1 \otimes [r_2, r'_1] \otimes r'_2 + r_1 \otimes r'_1 \otimes [r_2, r'_2] \} \\
&= \alpha^{n+1} ([[r, r]]^{Id}) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

In the last line above, the CYBE

$$[[r, r]]^{Id} = 0$$

is taking place in the Lie algebra L . \square

Theorem 2.2 is useful as long as we can compute endomorphisms of interesting Lie algebras and the induced solutions $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ of the CHYBE. Let us illustrate Theorem 2.2 with the complex Lie algebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ [27, p.13-14]. This is the three-dimensional complex Lie algebra with a basis $\{H, X_+, X_-\}$, whose Lie bracket is determined by

$$[X_+, X_-] = H \quad \text{and} \quad [H, X_\pm] = \pm 2X_\pm. \quad (2.2.1)$$

Our notations follow [35, Example 8.1.10]. The Lie algebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ has a standard non-trivial solution of the CYBE defined as [5,6,7,10,13,28,29]

$$r = X_+ \otimes X_- + \frac{1}{4}H \otimes H. \quad (2.2.2)$$

Note that this r lies in a two-dimensional subspace of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$. We will describe all the solutions of the CHYBE in the Hom-Lie algebras $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ of the form $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$.

Let us first recall from [56] the classification of Lie algebra endomorphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$. With respect to the basis $\{H, X_+, X_-\}$ of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, a non-zero linear map $\alpha: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is a Lie algebra morphism if and only if its matrix has one of the following three forms, where a, b , and c are complex numbers:

$$\alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c & a \\ -2ab & b & -a^2b \\ -2b^{-1}c & -b^{-1}c^2 & b^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } b \neq 0 \text{ and } ac = 0, \quad (2.2.3a)$$

$$\alpha_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & c & a \\ 2b^{-1}c & -b^{-1}c^2 & b^{-1} \\ 2ab & b & -a^2b \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } b \neq 0 \text{ and } ac = 0, \quad (2.2.3b)$$

$$\alpha_3 = \begin{pmatrix} c & a & \frac{1-c^2}{4a} \\ b & \frac{ab}{b} & \frac{b(1-c)}{4a} \\ \frac{1-c^2}{b} & \frac{c-1}{a(1-c)} & \frac{(c^2-1)(c+1)}{4ab} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } ab \neq 0 \text{ and } c \neq \pm 1. \quad (2.2.3c)$$

Now we describe the solutions $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ of the CHYBE in the Hom-Lie algebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ for all these maps α .

Proposition 2.3. *Suppose $\alpha = \alpha_1: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is the Lie algebra morphism in (2.2.3a) and $r \in \mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ is the classical r -matrix in (2.2.2). For $n \geq 1$, we have $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r) = r$*

$$\begin{aligned} & + (ab) \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^i \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ \right) + 3ab^2 d_n X_+ \otimes X_+ \right\} \\ & + cb^{-1} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^{-i} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} H \otimes X_- - 2X_- \otimes H \right) + 3b^{-2} c e_n X_- \otimes X_- \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.3.1)$$

where

$$d_1 = e_1 = 0,$$

$$d_{n+1} = b^2 d_n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^i, \quad \text{and} \quad e_{n+1} = b^{-2} e_n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^{-i}. \quad (2.3.2)$$

Proof. In $\alpha = \alpha_1$ (2.2.3a), either $a = 0$ or $c = 0$. Suppose $c = 0$. In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(H) &= H - 2abX_+, \\ \alpha(X_+) &= bX_+, \\ \alpha(X_-) &= aH - a^2bX_+ + b^{-1}X_-. \end{aligned}$$

By direct computation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) &= r + (ab) \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ \right), \\ \alpha^{\otimes 2} \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ \right) &= b \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ + 3abX_+ \otimes X_+ \right), \\ \alpha^{\otimes 2}(X_+ \otimes X_+) &= b^2 X_+ \otimes X_+. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3.3)$$

In particular, (2.3.1) holds when $n = 1$ and $c = 0$. Inductively, suppose (2.3.1) holds for some $n \geq 1$ (still with $c = 0$). Using (2.3.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha^{\otimes 2})^{n+1}(r) &= \alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) + (ab) \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^i \right) \alpha^{\otimes 2} \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ \right) \\ &\quad + (ab)(3ab^2 d_n) \alpha^{\otimes 2}(X_+ \otimes X_+) \\ &= r + (ab) \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ \right) + (ab)(3ab^2 d_n) b^2 X_+ \otimes X_+ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (ab) \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^i \right) b \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ + 3ab X_+ \otimes X_+ \right) \\
& = r + (ab) \left(1 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^{i+1} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} X_+ \otimes H - 2H \otimes X_+ \right) \\
& \quad + (ab)(3ab^2) \left(b^2 d_n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b^i \right) X_+ \otimes X_+.
\end{aligned}$$

Comparing this with the definition (2.3.2) of d_{n+1} , we conclude that the formula (2.3.1) holds for the case $n+1$ as well. This proves (2.3.1) when $c=0$. The case $a=0$ is proved similarly. \square

For the maps α_2 and α_3 , let us introduce a notation that will simplify the typography below. If $Y, Z \in \{H, X_+, X_-\}$ are basis elements of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, we set

$$|Y \otimes Z| = Y \otimes Z - Z \otimes Y \in \mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}. \quad (2.3.4)$$

For example, $|X_+ \otimes X_-| = X_+ \otimes X_- - X_- \otimes X_+$.

The following two results are proved by induction arguments that are very similar to the proof of Proposition 2.3, so we will omit the proofs.

Proposition 2.4. *Suppose $\alpha = \alpha_2: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is the Lie algebra morphism in (2.2.3b) and $r \in \mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ is the classical r -matrix in (2.2.2). Using the notation (2.3.4), for $n \geq 0$, we have*

$$(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r) = r + j_n |X_+ \otimes X_-| + k_n |H \otimes X_+| + l_n |H \otimes X_-|, \quad (2.4.1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
j_0 & = k_0 = l_0 = 0, \\
j_{n+1} & = -1 - j_n + 2(a+c)k_n, \\
k_{n+1} & = \begin{cases} b^{-1} \left(\frac{c}{2} + cj_n - c^2 k_n - l_n \right) & \text{if } a = 0, \\ b^{-1} l_n & \text{if } c = 0, \end{cases} \\
l_{n+1} & = -b \left(\frac{a}{2} + aj_n + k_n - a^2 l_n \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.5. *Suppose $\alpha = \alpha_3: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is the Lie algebra morphism in (2.2.3c) and $r \in \mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ is the classical r -matrix in (2.2.2). Using the notation (2.3.4), for $n \geq 0$, we have*

$$(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r) = r + p_n |X_+ \otimes X_-| + q_n |H \otimes X_+| + s_n |H \otimes X_-|, \quad (2.5.1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} p_0 &= q_0 = s_0 = 0, \\ p_{n+1} &= \frac{c-1}{2} + cp_n + 2aq_n + \left(\frac{c^2-1}{2a}\right) s_n, \\ q_{n+1} &= \frac{b}{4} \left\{ 1 + 2p_n + \left(\frac{4a}{c-1}\right) q_n + \left(\frac{c-1}{a}\right) s_n \right\}, \\ s_{n+1} &= \frac{c^2-1}{4b} \left\{ 1 + 2p_n + \left(\frac{4a}{c+1}\right) q_n + \left(\frac{c+1}{a}\right) s_n \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.6. Note that in Proposition 2.3, $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ in general lies in a five-dimensional subspace of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$, since either $a = 0$ or $c = 0$. Moreover, eight of the nine basis elements in $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ are used in (2.3.1). Likewise, in Propositions 2.4 and 2.5, $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^n(r)$ in general lies in a seven-dimensional subspace of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$.

3. Hom-Lie bialgebras

In this section, we introduce Hom-Lie bialgebra, which is the Hom version of Drinfel'd's Lie bialgebra [10,13]. The connections between Hom-Lie bialgebras and the CHYBE (1.1.3) will be explored in the next two sections. Here we observe that Lie bialgebras can be twisted along any endomorphism to produce Hom-Lie bialgebras (Corollary 3.6). When the twisting maps are invertible, we give a group-theoretic characterization of when two such Hom-Lie bialgebras are isomorphic (Theorem 3.8 - Corollary 3.10). Then we show that the dual of a finite dimensional Hom-Lie bialgebra is also a Hom-Lie bialgebra (Theorem 3.11), generalizing the self-dual property of Lie bialgebras. At the end of this section, we illustrate these results with the Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ (Corollary 3.12 - Corollary 3.15).

3.1. Notations. Let V and W be vector spaces.

- (1) Denote by $\tau: V \otimes W \rightarrow W \otimes V$ the twist isomorphism, $\tau(x \otimes y) = y \otimes x$.
- (2) The symbol \circlearrowleft denotes the cyclic sum in three variables. In other words, if σ is the cyclic permutation (123), then \circlearrowleft is the sum over Id , σ , and σ^2 . With this notation, the Hom-Jacobi identity (1.1.1) can be restated as:

$$\circlearrowleft[-, -] \circ ([-, -] \otimes \alpha) = 0.$$

- (3) For a linear map $\Delta: V \rightarrow V^{\otimes 2}$, we use Sweedler's notation $\Delta(x) = \sum_{(x)} x_1 \otimes x_2$ for $x \in V$. We will often omit the summation sign $\sum_{(x)}$ to simplify the typography.
- (4) Denote by $V^* = \text{Hom}(V, \mathbf{k})$ the linear dual of V . For $\phi \in V^*$ and $x \in V$, we often use the adjoint notation $\langle \phi, x \rangle$ for $\phi(x) \in \mathbf{k}$.

- (5) For an element x in a Hom-Lie algebra $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ and $n \geq 2$, define the adjoint map $\text{ad}_x: L^{\otimes n} \rightarrow L^{\otimes n}$ by

$$\text{ad}_x(y_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes y_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha(y_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha(y_{i-1}) \otimes [x, y_i] \otimes \alpha(y_{i+1}) \cdots \otimes \alpha(y_n). \quad (3.1.1)$$

Conversely, given $\gamma = y_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes y_n$, we define the map $\text{ad}(\gamma): L \rightarrow L^{\otimes n}$ by

$$\text{ad}(\gamma)(x) = \text{ad}_x(\gamma)$$

for $x \in L$.

First we define the dual objects of Hom-Lie algebras.

Definition 3.2 ([39]). A **Hom-Lie coalgebra** (L, Δ, α) consists of a vector space L , a linear self $\alpha: L \rightarrow L$, and a linear map $\Delta: L \rightarrow L^{\otimes 2}$ such that

$$\tau \circ \Delta = -\Delta \quad \text{and} \quad \circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta = 0,$$

called anti-symmetry and the Hom-co-Jacobi identity, respectively. We call Δ the **cobacket**. If, in addition, $\Delta \circ \alpha = \alpha^{\otimes 2} \circ \Delta$, then L is called **co-multiplicative**.

A Hom-Lie coalgebra with $\alpha = Id$ is exactly a Lie coalgebra [41]. Just like (co)associative (co)algebras, if (L, Δ, α) is a Hom-Lie coalgebra, then $(L^*, [-, -], \alpha)$ is a Hom-Lie algebra, as defined in the introduction (the paragraph containing (1.1.1)). Here $[-, -]$ and α in L^* are dual to Δ and α , respectively, in L . Conversely, if $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ is a *finite dimensional* Hom-Lie algebra, then (L^*, Δ, α) is a Hom-Lie coalgebra, where Δ and α in L^* are dual to $[-, -]$ and α , respectively, in L . These facts are also special cases of [39, Propositions 4.10 and 4.11].

Definition 3.3. A **(multiplicative) Hom-Lie bialgebra** is a quadruple $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ such that

- (1) $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ is a (multiplicative) Hom-Lie algebra,
- (2) (L, Δ, α) is a (co-multiplicative) Hom-Lie coalgebra, and
- (3) the following compatibility condition holds for all $x, y \in L$:

$$\Delta([x, y]) = \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y)) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}(\Delta(x)). \quad (3.3.1)$$

A **morphism** $f: L \rightarrow L'$ of Hom-Lie bialgebras is a linear map such that

$$\alpha \circ f = f \circ \alpha, \quad f([-, -]) = [-, -] \circ f^{\otimes 2}, \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta \circ f = f^{\otimes 2} \circ \Delta.$$

An **isomorphism** of Hom-Lie bialgebras is an invertible morphism of Hom-Lie bialgebras. Two Hom-Lie bialgebras are said to be **isomorphic** if there exists an isomorphism between them.

A Hom-Lie bialgebra with $\alpha = Id$ is exactly a Lie bialgebra, as defined by Drinfel'd [10,13]. One can also use this as the definition of a Lie bialgebra. We can unwrap the compatibility condition (3.3.1) as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta([x, y]) &= [\alpha(x), y_1] \otimes \alpha(y_2) + \alpha(y_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), y_2] \\ &\quad - [\alpha(y), x_1] \otimes \alpha(x_2) - \alpha(x_1) \otimes [\alpha(y), x_2]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3.2)$$

Remark 3.4. *The compatibility condition (3.3.1) is, in fact, a cocycle condition in Hom-Lie algebra cohomology [38, section 5], just as it is the case in a Lie bialgebra with Lie algebra cohomology [13]. Indeed, we can regard $L^{\otimes 2}$ as an L -module via the α -twisted adjoint action (3.1.1):*

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot (y_1 \otimes y_2) &= \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(y_1 \otimes y_2) \\ &= [\alpha(x), y_1] \otimes \alpha(y_2) + \alpha(y_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), y_2] \end{aligned} \quad (3.4.1)$$

for $x \in L$ and $y_1 \otimes y_2 \in L^{\otimes 2}$. Then we can think of the cobracket $\Delta: L \rightarrow L^{\otimes 2}$ as a 1-cochain $\Delta \in C^1(L, L^{\otimes 2})$. Here $C^1(L, L^{\otimes 2})$ is defined as the linear subspace of $\text{Hom}(L, L^{\otimes 2})$ consisting of maps that commute with α . Generalizing [38, Definition 5.3] to include coefficients in $L^{\otimes 2}$, the differential on Δ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_{HL}^1 \Delta)(x, y) &= \Delta([x, y]) - x \cdot \Delta(y) + y \cdot \Delta(x) \\ &= \Delta([x, y]) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y)) + \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}(\Delta(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (3.4.2)$$

Therefore, (3.3.1) says exactly that $\Delta \in C^1(L, L^{\otimes 2})$ is a 1-cocycle.

The following result shows that a Hom-Lie bialgebra deforms into another Hom-Lie bialgebra along any endomorphism.

Theorem 3.5. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ be a Hom-Lie bialgebra and $\beta: L \rightarrow L$ be a morphism. Then*

$$L_\beta = (L, [-, -]_\beta = \beta[-, -], \Delta_\beta = \Delta\beta, \beta\alpha)$$

is also a Hom-Lie bialgebra, which is multiplicative if L is.

Proof. It is immediate that $[-, -]_\beta$ and Δ_β are anti-symmetric. The Hom-Jacobi identity holds in L_β because

$$\begin{aligned} \circlearrowleft[-, -]_\beta([-, -]_\beta \otimes \beta\alpha) &= \beta^2 \{\circlearrowleft[-, -]([-, -] \otimes \alpha)\} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Likewise, the Hom-co-Jacobi identity holds in L_β because

$$\begin{aligned} \circlearrowright(\beta\alpha \otimes \Delta_\beta)\Delta_\beta &= (\beta^{\otimes 3})^2 \{\circlearrowright(\alpha \otimes \Delta)\Delta\} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

To check the compatibility condition (3.3.1) in L_β , we compute as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_\beta([x, y]_\beta) &= (\beta^{\otimes 2})^2 \Delta([x, y]) \\
&= (\beta^{\otimes 2})^2 \{[\alpha(x), y_1] \otimes \alpha(y_2)\} + (\beta^{\otimes 2})^2 \{\alpha(y_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), y_2]\} \\
&\quad - (\beta^{\otimes 2})^2 \{[\alpha(y), x_1] \otimes \alpha(x_2)\} - (\beta^{\otimes 2})^2 \{\alpha(x_1) \otimes [\alpha(y), x_2]\} \\
&= [\beta\alpha(x), \beta(y_1)]_\beta \otimes \beta\alpha(\beta(y_2)) + \beta\alpha(\beta(y_1)) \otimes [\beta\alpha(x), \beta(y_2)]_\beta \\
&\quad - [\beta\alpha(y), \beta(x_1)]_\beta \otimes \beta\alpha(\beta(x_2)) - \beta\alpha(\beta(x_1)) \otimes [\beta\alpha(y), \beta(x_2)]_\beta \\
&= \text{ad}_{\beta\alpha(x)}(\Delta_\beta(y)) - \text{ad}_{\beta\alpha(y)}(\Delta_\beta(x)).
\end{aligned}$$

We have shown that L_β is a Hom-Lie bialgebra. The multiplicativity assertion is obvious. \square

Now we discuss two special cases of Theorem 3.5. The next result says that one can obtain multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebras from Lie bialgebras and their endomorphisms. A construction result of this form for Hom-type algebras was first introduced by the author in [53].

Corollary 3.6. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta)$ be a Lie bialgebra and $\beta: L \rightarrow L$ be a Lie bialgebra morphism. Then*

$$L_\beta = (L, [-, -]_\beta = \beta[-, -], \Delta_\beta = \Delta\beta, \beta)$$

is a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Proof. This is the $\alpha = Id$ special case of Theorem 3.5. \square

The next result says that every multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra gives rise to an infinite sequence of multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebras.

Corollary 3.7. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ be a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra. Then*

$$L_{\alpha^n} = (L, [-, -]_{\alpha^n} = \alpha^n[-, -], \Delta_{\alpha^n} = \Delta\alpha^n, \alpha^{n+1})$$

is also a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra for each integer $n \geq 0$.

Proof. This is the $\beta = \alpha^n$ special case of Theorem 3.5. \square

Next we consider when Hom-Lie bialgebras of the form L_β , as in Corollary 3.6, are isomorphic.

Theorem 3.8. *Let \mathfrak{g} and \mathfrak{h} be Lie bialgebras and $\alpha: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ and $\beta: \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ be Lie bialgebra morphisms with β and $\beta^{\otimes 2}$ injective. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) *The Hom-Lie bialgebras \mathfrak{g}_α and \mathfrak{h}_β , as in Corollary 3.6, are isomorphic.*
- (2) *There exists a Lie bialgebra isomorphism $\gamma: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$ such that $\gamma\alpha = \beta\gamma$.*

Proof. To show that the first statement implies the second statement, suppose that $\gamma: \mathfrak{g}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}_\beta$ is an isomorphism of Hom-Lie bialgebras. Then $\gamma\alpha = \beta\gamma$ automatically. To see that γ is a Lie bialgebra isomorphism, first we check that it commutes with the Lie brackets. For any two elements x and y in \mathfrak{g} , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\beta\gamma[x, y] &= \gamma\alpha[x, y] \\ &= \gamma([x, y]_\alpha) \\ &= [\gamma(x), \gamma(y)]_\beta \\ &= \beta[\gamma(x), \gamma(y)].\end{aligned}$$

Since β is injective, we conclude that

$$\gamma[x, y] = [\gamma(x), \gamma(y)],$$

i.e., γ is a Lie algebra isomorphism.

To check that γ commutes with the Lie cobrackets, we compute as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\beta^{\otimes 2}(\gamma^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x))) &= (\beta\gamma)^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x)) \\ &= (\gamma\alpha)^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x)) \\ &= \gamma^{\otimes 2}(\alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x))) \\ &= \gamma^{\otimes 2}(\Delta_\alpha(x)) \\ &= \Delta_\beta(\gamma(x)) \\ &= \beta^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(\gamma(x))).\end{aligned}$$

The injectivity of $\beta^{\otimes 2}$ now implies that γ commutes with the Lie cobrackets. Therefore, γ is a Lie bialgebra isomorphism.

The other implication is proved by a similar argument, much of which is already given above. \square

For a Lie bialgebra \mathfrak{g} , let $\text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$ be the group of Lie bialgebra isomorphisms from \mathfrak{g} to \mathfrak{g} . In Theorem 3.8, restricting to the case $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h}$ with α and β both invertible, we obtain the following special case.

Corollary 3.9. *Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie bialgebra and $\alpha, \beta \in \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$. Then the Hom-Lie bialgebras \mathfrak{g}_α and \mathfrak{g}_β , as in Corollary 3.6, are isomorphic if and only if α and β are conjugate in $\text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$.*

Corollary 3.9 can be restated as follows.

Corollary 3.10. *Let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie bialgebra. Then there is a bijection between the following two sets:*

- (1) *The set of isomorphism classes of Hom-Lie bialgebras \mathfrak{g}_α with α invertible.*
- (2) *The set of conjugacy classes in the group $\text{Aut}(\mathfrak{g})$.*

As we will show later in this section, Corollary 3.10 implies that there are uncountably many isomorphism classes of Hom-Lie bialgebras of the form $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$.

The next result shows that finite dimensional Hom-Lie bialgebras, like Lie bialgebras, can be dualized. A proof of this self-dual property for the special case of Lie bialgebras can be found in [35, Proposition 8.1.2].

Theorem 3.11. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ be a finite dimensional (multiplicative) Hom-Lie bialgebra. Then its linear dual $L^* = \text{Hom}(L, \mathbf{k})$ is also a (multiplicative) Hom-Lie bialgebra with the dual structure maps:*

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(\phi) &= \phi \circ \alpha, \\ \langle [\phi, \psi], x \rangle &= \langle \phi \otimes \psi, \Delta(x) \rangle, \\ \langle \Delta(\phi), x \otimes y \rangle &= \langle \phi, [x, y] \rangle\end{aligned}\tag{3.11.1}$$

for $x, y \in L$ and $\phi, \psi \in L^*$.

Proof. As we mentioned right after Definition 3.2, $(L^*, [-, -], \alpha)$ is a Hom-Lie algebra, which is true even if L is not finite dimensional. Moreover, (L^*, Δ, α) is a Hom-Lie coalgebra, whose validity depends on the finite dimensionality of L . Thus, it remains to check the compatibility condition (3.3.1) between the bracket and the cobracket in L^* , i.e.,

$$\langle \Delta[\phi, \psi], x \otimes y \rangle = \langle \text{ad}_{\alpha(\phi)}(\Delta\psi) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(\psi)}(\Delta\phi), x \otimes y \rangle\tag{3.11.2}$$

for $x, y \in L$ and $\phi, \psi \in L^*$.

Using the definitions (3.11.1), the compatibility condition (3.3.1) in L , and its expanded form (3.3.2), we compute the left-hand side of (3.11.2) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Delta[\phi, \psi], x \otimes y \rangle &= \langle [\phi, \psi], [x, y] \rangle \\ &= \langle \phi \otimes \psi, \Delta[x, y] \rangle \\ &= \langle \phi \otimes \psi, \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y)) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}(\Delta(x)) \rangle \\ &= \langle \phi \otimes \psi, [\alpha(x), y_1] \otimes \alpha(y_2) \rangle + \langle \phi \otimes \psi, \alpha(y_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), y_2] \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle \phi \otimes \psi, [\alpha(y), x_1] \otimes \alpha(x_2) \rangle - \langle \phi \otimes \psi, \alpha(x_1) \otimes [\alpha(y), x_2] \rangle \\ &= \langle \phi_1 \otimes \phi_2 \otimes \psi, \alpha(x) \otimes y_1 \otimes \alpha(y_2) \rangle + \langle \phi \otimes \psi_1 \otimes \psi_2, \alpha(y_1) \otimes \alpha(x) \otimes y_2 \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle \phi_1 \otimes \phi_2 \otimes \psi, \alpha(y) \otimes x_1 \otimes \alpha(x_2) \rangle - \langle \phi \otimes \psi_1 \otimes \psi_2, \alpha(x_1) \otimes \alpha(y) \otimes x_2 \rangle. \\ &= \langle \alpha(\phi_1) \otimes \phi_2 \otimes \alpha(\psi), x \otimes y_1 \otimes y_2 \rangle + \langle \alpha(\phi) \otimes \alpha(\psi_1) \otimes \psi_2, y_1 \otimes x \otimes y_2 \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle \alpha(\phi_1) \otimes \phi_2 \otimes \alpha(\psi), y \otimes x_1 \otimes x_2 \rangle - \langle \alpha(\phi) \otimes \alpha(\psi_1) \otimes \psi_2, x_1 \otimes y \otimes x_2 \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

Using, in addition, the anti-symmetry of the bracket and the cobracket in L^* , the above four terms become:

$$\begin{aligned}&= -\langle \alpha(\phi_1) \otimes [\alpha(\psi), \phi_2], x \otimes y \rangle + \langle \alpha(\psi_1) \otimes [\alpha(\phi), \psi_2], x \otimes y \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle [\alpha(\psi), \phi_1] \otimes \alpha(\phi_2), x \otimes y \rangle + \langle [\alpha(\phi), \psi_1] \otimes \alpha(\psi_2), x \otimes y \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

This is exactly the right-hand side of (3.11.2) in expanded form (3.3.2), as desired. \square

Let us illustrate the results in this section with the Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$. As we recalled in the previous section, this complex Lie algebra has a basis $\{H, X_{\pm}\}$ (2.2.1). It becomes a Lie bialgebra when equipped with the cobracket $\Delta: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ [10,13] (see also [35, Example 8.1.10]) defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(H) &= 0, \\ \Delta(X_{\pm}) &= \frac{1}{2}(X_{\pm} \otimes H - H \otimes X_{\pm}). \end{aligned} \tag{3.11.3}$$

We will construct all the Hom-Lie bialgebras of the form $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_{\alpha}$ using Corollary 3.6. First we classify the Lie bialgebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$.

Corollary 3.12. *With respect to the basis $\{H, X_{\pm}\}$, a non-zero linear map $\alpha: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is a Lie bialgebra morphism if and only if*

$$\alpha(H) = H \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(X_{\pm}) = b^{\pm 1} X_{\pm}$$

for some non-zero complex number b .

Proof. In the previous section, we recalled the classification of Lie algebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ given in [56]. The non-zero Lie algebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ must have one of the three forms: α_1 (2.2.3a), α_2 (2.2.3b), or α_3 (2.2.3c). In the context of this classification, the Corollary is equivalent to saying that the Lie bialgebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ are exactly the α_1 with $a = c = 0$. It is immediate that α_1 with $a = c = 0$ commutes with the cobracket Δ (3.11.3) and is, therefore, a Lie bialgebra morphism. It remains to check that they are the only non-zero Lie bialgebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$.

If $\alpha = \alpha_1$ (2.2.3a) is a Lie bialgebra morphism on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(H)) \\ &= \Delta(\alpha(H)) \\ &= \Delta(H - 2abX_+ - 2b^{-1}cX_-) \\ &= -ab|X_+ \otimes H| - b^{-1}c|X_- \otimes H|, \end{aligned}$$

where the abbreviation (2.3.4) is used. The above element in $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ is 0 if and only if $a = c = 0$. Next we show that maps of the forms α_2 and α_3 are not Lie bialgebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$.

If $\alpha = \alpha_2$ (2.2.3b) is a Lie bialgebra morphism on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, then a similar computation as in the previous paragraph implies $a = c = 0$. In other words, we must have

$$\alpha(H) = -H, \quad \alpha(X_+) = bX_-, \quad \alpha(X_-) = b^{-1}X_+.$$

In this case, on the one hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(X_+)) &= \frac{1}{2}|\alpha(X_+) \otimes \alpha(H)| \\ &= -\frac{b}{2}|X_- \otimes H|.\end{aligned}\tag{3.12.1}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(\alpha(X_+)) &= b\Delta(X_-) \\ &= \frac{b}{2}|X_- \otimes H|.\end{aligned}\tag{3.12.2}$$

The equality between (3.12.1) and (3.12.2) then implies $b = 0$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, maps of the form α_2 are not Lie bialgebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$.

Finally, suppose that $\alpha = \alpha_3$ (2.2.3c) is a Lie bialgebra morphism on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$. Then a similar computation as above, applied to

$$\alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(H)) = 0 = \Delta(\alpha(H)),$$

implies $b = 0$. This is again a contradiction. Therefore, maps of the form α_3 are not Lie bialgebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$. \square

Combining Corollary 3.6, Corollary 3.12, and the definitions (2.2.1) and (3.11.3) of the (co)bracket in $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$, we obtain the following family of Hom-Lie bialgebras.

Corollary 3.13. *Suppose that $\alpha: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is the Lie bialgebra morphism given by*

$$\alpha(H) = H \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(X_{\pm}) = b^{\pm 1}X_{\pm}$$

for some non-zero complex number b . Then there is a Hom-Lie bialgebra

$$\mathfrak{sl}(2)_{\alpha} = (\mathfrak{sl}(2), [-, -]_{\alpha}, \Delta_{\alpha}, \alpha),$$

in which the bracket and the cobracket are determined by

$$\begin{aligned}[H, X_{\pm}]_{\alpha} &= \pm 2b^{\pm 1}X_{\pm}, \\ [X_+, X_-]_{\alpha} &= H, \\ \Delta_{\alpha}(H) &= 0, \\ \Delta_{\alpha}(X_{\pm}) &= \frac{b^{\pm 1}}{2}(X_{\pm} \otimes H - H \otimes X_{\pm}).\end{aligned}\tag{3.13.1}$$

As we will see in Corollary 4.6 in the next section, the Hom-Lie bialgebras $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_{\alpha}$ have the additional property of being *quasi-triangular* (Definition 4.1). This means that the classical r -matrix $r \in \mathfrak{sl}(2)^{\otimes 2}$ (2.2.2) is fixed by $\alpha^{\otimes 2}$, that it induces the cobracket Δ_{α} via the adjoint map $\text{ad}(r)$ (3.1.1), and that r is a solution of the CHYBE.

Corollary 3.12 also tells us that the group $\text{Aut}(\mathfrak{sl}(2))$ of Lie bialgebra isomorphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is isomorphic to \mathbf{C}^* , the multiplicative group of non-zero complex numbers. In particular, it is an abelian group, and so two elements in it are conjugate if and only if they are equal. Combining Corollary 3.9 and Corollary 3.13, we have the following result, which implies that there are uncountably many non-isomorphic Hom-Lie bialgebras of the form $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$.

Corollary 3.14. *Two Hom-Lie bialgebras of the form $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$, as in Corollary 3.13, are isomorphic if and only if the associated scalars b are equal. In particular, there is a bijection between the set of isomorphism classes of Hom-Lie bialgebras of the form $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ and the set of non-zero complex numbers.*

Next we describe the dual

$$\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha^* = \text{Hom}(\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha, \mathbf{C})$$

of the three-dimensional Hom-Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ in Corollary 3.13. Let $\{\phi, \psi_+, \psi_-\}$ be the dual basis of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha^*$. In other words, these basis elements are determined by

$$\langle \phi, H \rangle = 1 = \langle \psi_\pm, X_\pm \rangle,$$

where $\{H, X_\pm\}$ is the standard basis of $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ (2.2.1). The following result is a generalization of [35, Example 8.1.11], which describes the dual Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)^*$.

Corollary 3.15. *Let $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ be the Hom-Lie bialgebra in Corollary 3.13. Then the structure maps of its dual Hom-Lie bialgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha^*$, in the sense of Theorem 3.11, are determined by:*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(\phi) &= \phi \circ \alpha, & \alpha(\psi_\pm) &= \psi_\pm \circ \alpha, \\ [\psi_\pm, \phi]_\alpha &= \frac{b^{\pm 1}}{2} \psi_\pm, \\ [\psi_+, \psi_-]_\alpha &= 0, \\ \Delta_\alpha(\psi_\pm) &= \pm 2b^{\pm 1}(\phi \otimes \psi_\pm - \psi_\pm \otimes \phi), \\ \Delta_\alpha(\phi) &= \psi_+ \otimes \psi_- - \psi_- \otimes \psi_+. \end{aligned} \tag{3.15.1}$$

Proof. One can check directly that (3.15.1) defines a Hom-Lie bialgebra structure on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha^*$. It remains to check that the bracket and the cobracket in $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha^*$ are dual to, respectively, the cobracket and the bracket (3.13.1) in $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$, in the sense of (3.11.1). Using the anti-symmetry of these (co)brackets, we only need to check these duality properties for the determining brackets on the basis elements. Most of these equalities hold because both sides are zero. The remaining non-trivial ones

are:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle [\psi_{\pm}, \phi]_{\alpha}, X_{\pm} \rangle &= \frac{b^{\pm 1}}{2} = \langle \psi_{\pm} \otimes \phi, \Delta_{\alpha}(X_{\pm}) \rangle, \\ \langle \Delta_{\alpha}(\phi), X_{+} \otimes X_{-} \rangle &= 1 = \langle \phi, [X_{+}, X_{-}]_{\alpha} \rangle, \\ \langle \Delta_{\alpha}(\psi_{\pm}), H \otimes X_{\pm} \rangle &= \pm 2b^{\pm 1} = \langle \psi_{\pm}, [H, X_{\pm}]_{\alpha} \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

□

4. Coboundary and quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras

The connections between the CHYBE (1.1.3) and Hom-Lie bialgebras (Definition 3.3) arise in the sub-classes of coboundary and quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras. We first prove the analogue of Corollary 3.6 for coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras (Corollary 4.4), which gives an efficient method for constructing these objects from coboundary/quasi-triangular Lie bialgebras. As an example, we observe that the Hom-Lie bialgebras $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_{\alpha}$ in Corollary 3.13 are all quasi-triangular (Corollary 4.6). Then we show how a coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra can be constructed from a Hom-Lie algebra and a suitable element $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ (Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 4.4). This section ends with several characterizations of when a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra is a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra (Theorem 4.11).

Recall the adjoint map in (3.1.1). Here are the relevant definitions.

Definition 4.1. A **(multiplicative) coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra** $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha, r)$ consists of

- (1) a (multiplicative) Hom-Lie bialgebra $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ and
- (2) an element $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2 \in L^{\otimes 2}$

such that

$$\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$$

and

$$\Delta(x) = \text{ad}_x(r) = \sum [x, r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes [x, r_2] \quad (4.1.1)$$

for all $x \in L$. A **(multiplicative) quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra** is a (multiplicative) coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra in which r is a solution of the CHYBE (1.1.3). In these cases, we also write Δ as $\text{ad}(r)$.

A coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra in which $\alpha = Id$ is exactly a coboundary/quasi-triangular Lie bialgebra, as defined by Drinfel'd [10,13]. One can also use this as the definition of a coboundary/quasi-triangular Lie bialgebra, which we denote by $(L, [-, -], \Delta, r)$. To be more precise, a *coboundary Lie bialgebra* is a Lie bialgebra in which the Lie cobracket Δ takes the form (4.1.1) with $\alpha = Id$. A *quasi-triangular Lie bialgebra* is a coboundary Lie bialgebra in which r is a solution

of the CYBE, which is the CHYBE (1.1.3) with $\alpha = Id$. Note that we do not require r to be anti-symmetric in a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra, whereas in [13] r is assumed to be anti-symmetric in a coboundary Lie bialgebra. Our convention follows that of [35].

Remark 4.2. *Let us explain why (4.1.1) is a natural condition. Recall from Remark 3.4 that the compatibility condition (3.3.1) in a Hom-Lie bialgebra L says that the cobracket Δ is a 1-cocycle in $C^1(L, L^{\otimes 2})$, where L acts on $L^{\otimes 2}$ via the α -twisted adjoint action (3.4.1). The simplest 1-cocycles are the 1-coboundaries, i.e., images of δ_{HL}^0 . We can define the Hom-Lie 0-cochains and 0th differential as follows, extending the definitions in [38, section 5]. Set $C^0(L, L^{\otimes 2})$ as the subspace of $L^{\otimes 2}$ consisting of elements that are fixed by $\alpha^{\otimes 2}$. Then we define the differential*

$$\delta_{HL}^0: C^0(L, L^{\otimes 2}) \rightarrow C^1(L, L^{\otimes 2})$$

by setting

$$\delta_{HL}^0(r) = \text{ad}(r),$$

as in (3.1.1). It is not hard to check that, for $r \in C^0(L, L^{\otimes 2})$, we have

$$\delta_{HL}^1(\delta_{HL}^0(r)) = 0,$$

where δ_{HL}^1 is defined in (3.4.2). In fact, what this condition says is that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \delta_{HL}^1(\delta_{HL}^0(r))(x, y) \\ &= \delta_{HL}^1(\text{ad}(r))(x, y) \\ &= \text{ad}_{[x, y]}(r) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\text{ad}_y(r)) + \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}(\text{ad}_x(r)) \end{aligned} \quad (4.2.1)$$

for all $x, y \in L$. We will prove (4.2.1) in Lemma 4.8 below. Thus, such an element $\delta_{HL}^0(r) = \text{ad}(r)$ is a 1-coboundary, and hence a 1-cocycle. This fact makes $\text{ad}(r)$ (with $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$) a natural candidate for the cobracket in a Hom-Lie bialgebra and also justifies the name coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra.

The following result is the analogue of Theorem 3.5 for coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras. It says that coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras deform into other coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras via suitable endomorphisms.

Theorem 4.3. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta = \text{ad}(r), \alpha, r)$ be a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra and $\beta: L \rightarrow L$ be a morphism such that $\beta^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$. Then*

$$L_\beta = (L, [-, -]_\beta = \beta[-, -], \Delta_\beta = \Delta\beta, \beta\alpha, r)$$

is also a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra, which is multiplicative if L is. If, moreover, L is quasi-triangular, then so is L_β .

Proof. By Theorem 3.5 we know that L_β is a Hom-Lie bialgebra, which is multiplicative if L is. To check that L_β is coboundary, first note that

$$\begin{aligned} (\beta\alpha)^{\otimes 2}(r) &= \beta^{\otimes 2}\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) \\ &= r. \end{aligned}$$

To check the condition (4.1.1) in L_β , we compute as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_\beta(x) &= \beta^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x)) \\ &= \beta^{\otimes 2}\{[x, r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2)\} + \beta^{\otimes 2}\{\alpha(r_1) \otimes [x, r_2]\} \\ &= [x, r_1]_\beta \otimes \beta\alpha(r_2) + \beta\alpha(r_1) \otimes [x, r_2]_\beta. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression above is $\text{ad}_x(r)$ in L_β , which shows that L_β is coboundary.

Finally, suppose in addition that L is quasi-triangular, i.e., r is a solution of the CHYBE in L . Using the notations in (1.1.4), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \beta^{\otimes 3}\{[r_{12}, r_{13}] + [r_{12}, r_{23}] + [r_{13}, r_{23}]\} \\ &= [r_{12}, r_{13}]_\beta + [r_{12}, r_{23}]_\beta + [r_{13}, r_{23}]_\beta, \end{aligned}$$

where the last expression is defined in L_β . This shows that r is a solution of the CHYBE in L_β , so L_β is quasi-triangular. \square

The following result is the analogue of Corollary 3.6 for coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras. It says that these objects can be obtained by twisting coboundary/quasi-triangular Lie bialgebras via suitable endomorphisms.

Corollary 4.4. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, r)$ be a coboundary Lie bialgebra and $\beta: L \rightarrow L$ be a Lie algebra morphism such that $\beta^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$. Then*

$$L_\beta = (L, [-, -]_\beta = \beta[-, -], \Delta_\beta = \Delta\beta, \beta, r)$$

is a multiplicative coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra. If, in addition, L is a quasi-triangular Lie bialgebra, then L_β is a multiplicative quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Proof. This is the $\alpha = Id$ special case of Theorem 4.3, provided that we can show that $\beta^{\otimes 2}\Delta = \Delta\beta$. We compute as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \beta^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x)) &= \beta^{\otimes 2}(\text{ad}_x(r)) \\ &= \beta^{\otimes 2}([x, r_1] \otimes r_2) + \beta^{\otimes 2}(r_1 \otimes [x, r_2]) \\ &= [\beta(x), \beta(r_1)] \otimes \beta(r_2) + \beta(r_1) \otimes [\beta(x), \beta(r_2)] \\ &= [\beta(x), r_1] \otimes r_2 + r_1 \otimes [\beta(x), r_2] \\ &= \text{ad}_{\beta(x)}(r) \\ &= \Delta(\beta(x)). \end{aligned}$$

\square

The next result says that every multiplicative coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra gives rise to an infinite sequence of multiplicative coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebras. It is similar to Corollary 3.7.

Corollary 4.5. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha, r)$ be a multiplicative coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra. Then*

$$L_{\alpha^n} = (L, [-, -]_{\alpha^n} = \alpha^n[-, -], \Delta_{\alpha^n} = \Delta\alpha^n, \alpha^{n+1}, r)$$

is also a multiplicative coboundary/quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra for each integer $n \geq 0$.

Proof. This is the $\beta = \alpha^n$ special case of Theorem 4.3. □

The following result is an illustration of Corollary 4.4.

Corollary 4.6. *The Hom-Lie bialgebras $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ in Corollary 3.13 are all quasi-triangular with*

$$r = X_+ \otimes X_- + \frac{1}{4}H \otimes H$$

as in (2.2.2).

Proof. It is known that $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ is a quasi-triangular Lie bialgebra [10,13] (or [35, Example 8.1.10]) with the Lie cobracket Δ (3.11.3) and the classical r -matrix

$$r = X_+ \otimes X_- + \frac{1}{4}H \otimes H$$

in (2.2.2). In Corollary 3.13, the maps $\alpha: \mathfrak{sl}(2) \rightarrow \mathfrak{sl}(2)$ are Lie bialgebra morphisms (computed in Corollary 3.12) of the form

$$\alpha(H) = H, \quad \alpha(X_\pm) = b^{\pm 1}X_\pm$$

for some non-zero scalar b . By Corollary 4.4, to show that $\mathfrak{sl}(2)_\alpha$ is a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra, it remains to show $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$. This is true because

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) &= \alpha(X_+) \otimes \alpha(X_-) + \frac{1}{4}\alpha(H) \otimes \alpha(H) \\ &= (bX_+) \otimes (b^{-1}X_-) + \frac{1}{4}H \otimes H \\ &= r. \end{aligned}$$

□

In fact, the only Lie algebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ that fix the classical r -matrix

$$r = X_+ \otimes X_- + \frac{1}{4}H \otimes H,$$

i.e., $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$, are the non-zero Lie bialgebra morphisms (Corollary 3.12). This follows from the classification of non-zero Lie algebra morphisms on $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ ((2.2.3a) - (2.2.3c)) and Propositions 2.3 - 2.5 (the case $n = 1$).

In the following result, we describe some sufficient conditions under which a Hom-Lie algebra becomes a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra. It is a generalization of [35, Proposition 8.1.3], which deals with Lie algebras and coboundary Lie bialgebras. In what follows, for an element $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2$, we write r_{21} for $\tau(r) = \sum r_2 \otimes r_1$.

Theorem 4.7. *Let $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ be a multiplicative Hom-Lie algebra and $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be an element such that*

$$\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r, \quad r_{21} = -r,$$

and

$$\alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([[r, r]]^\alpha)) = 0 \tag{4.7.1}$$

for all $x \in L$, where $[[r, r]]^\alpha$ is defined in (1.1.3). Define $\Delta: L \rightarrow L^{\otimes 2}$ as

$$\Delta(x) = \text{ad}_x(r)$$

as in (4.1.1). Then

$$(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha, r)$$

is a multiplicative coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Proof. We will show the following statements:

- (1) $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ commutes with α .
- (2) Δ is anti-symmetric.
- (3) The compatibility condition (3.3.1) holds.
- (4) The condition (4.7.1) is equivalent to the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of Δ .

Write r as $\sum r_1 \otimes r_2$. To show that $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ commutes with α , pick an element $x \in L$. Using the definition $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$, $\alpha([-, -]) = [-, -] \circ \alpha^{\otimes 2}$, and the assumption $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(\alpha(x)) &= \alpha([x, r_1]) \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) + \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha([x, r_2]) \\ &= \alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(x)). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that Δ commutes with α .

Now we show that $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ is anti-symmetric. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(x) + \tau(\Delta(x)) &= [x, r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes [x, r_2] \\ &\quad + \alpha(r_2) \otimes [x, r_1] + [x, r_2] \otimes \alpha(r_1) \\ &= \text{ad}_x(r + r_{21}) \\ &= \text{ad}_x(0) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{4.7.2}$$

since

$$r + r_{21} = \sum (r_1 \otimes r_2 + r_2 \otimes r_1).$$

We will prove that the compatibility condition (3.3.1) holds in Lemma 4.8 below.

Finally, we show that the Hom-co-Jacobi identity (Definition 3.2) of $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ is equivalent to (4.7.1). Let us unwrap the Hom-co-Jacobi identity. Fix an element $x \in L$, and let $r' = \sum r'_1 \otimes r'_2$ be another copy of r . Then we write

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(x)) \\ &= (\alpha \otimes \Delta)([x, r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes [x, r_2]) \\ &= \underbrace{\alpha([x, r_1]) \otimes [\alpha(r_2), r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r'_2)}_{A_1} + \underbrace{\alpha([x, r_1]) \otimes \alpha(r'_1) \otimes [\alpha(r_2), r'_2]}_{B_1} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\alpha^2(r_1) \otimes [[x, r_2], r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r'_2)}_{C_1} + \underbrace{\alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha(r'_1) \otimes [[x, r_2], r'_2]}_{D_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall from 3.1 that σ is the cyclic permutation given by $\sigma(1) = 2$, $\sigma(2) = 3$, and $\sigma(3) = 1$. Applying σ and σ^2 to γ above, we obtain four similar but permuted tensors in each case. As above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\gamma) &= A_2 + B_2 + C_2 + D_2, \\ \sigma^2(\gamma) &= A_3 + B_3 + C_3 + D_3, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$E_{1+i} = \sigma^i E_1$$

for $E \in \{A, B, C, D\}$ and $i \in \{1, 2\}$. With these notations, the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ (applied to x) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \circ(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(x)) \\ &= \gamma + \sigma(\gamma) + \sigma^2(\gamma) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^3 (A_i + B_i + C_i + D_i). \end{aligned} \tag{4.7.3}$$

Therefore, to prove the equivalence between the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of Δ and (4.7.1), it suffices to show

$$\alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([[r, r]]^\alpha)) = \sum_{i=1}^3 (A_i + B_i + C_i + D_i), \tag{4.7.4}$$

which we will prove in Lemma 4.9 below.

The proof of Theorem 4.7 will be complete once we prove the two Lemmas below. \square

Lemma 4.8. *Let $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ be a multiplicative Hom-Lie algebra and $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be an element such that $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$. Then $\Delta = \text{ad}(r): L \rightarrow L^{\otimes 2}$ satisfies (3.3.1), i.e.,*

$$\text{ad}_{[x, y]}(r) = \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\text{ad}_y(r)) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}(\text{ad}_x(r))$$

for $x, y \in L$.

Proof. We will use $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r$, the anti-symmetry and the Hom-Jacobi identity of $[-, -]$ (1.1.1), and $\alpha([-, -]) = [-, -] \circ \alpha^{\otimes 2}$ in the computation below. For $x, y \in L$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{ad}_{[x,y]}(r) &= [[x, y], r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes [[x, y], r_2] \\
&= [[x, y], \alpha(r_1)] \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) + \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes [[x, y], \alpha(r_2)] \\
&= \{[\alpha(x), [y, r_1]] + [\alpha(y), [r_1, x]]\} \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) \\
&\quad + \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \{[\alpha(x), [y, r_2]] + [\alpha(y), [r_2, x]]\} \\
&= [\alpha(x), [y, r_1]] \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) + \alpha([y, r_1]) \otimes [\alpha(x), \alpha(r_2)] \\
&\quad + [\alpha(x), \alpha(r_1)] \otimes \alpha([y, r_2]) + \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), [y, r_2]] \\
&\quad - [\alpha(y), [x, r_1]] \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) - \alpha([x, r_1]) \otimes [\alpha(y), \alpha(r_2)] \\
&\quad - [\alpha(y), \alpha(r_1)] \otimes \alpha([x, r_2]) - \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes [\alpha(y), [x, r_2]] \\
&= \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}([y, r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes [y, r_2]) \\
&\quad - \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}([x, r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes [x, r_2]) \\
&= \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\text{ad}_y(r)) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(y)}(\text{ad}_x(r)).
\end{aligned}$$

In the fourth equality above, we added four terms (those not of the forms $\alpha^2(r_1) \otimes (\dots)$ and $(\dots) \otimes \alpha^2(r_2)$), which add up to zero. Thus, the compatibility condition (3.3.1) holds. \square

Lemma 4.9. *The condition (4.7.4) holds.*

Proof. It suffices to show the following three equalities:

$$\alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([r_{12}, r_{13}])) = A_3 + B_2 + C_3 + D_2, \quad (4.9.1a)$$

$$\alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([r_{12}, r_{23}])) = A_1 + B_3 + C_1 + D_3, \quad (4.9.1b)$$

$$\alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([r_{13}, r_{23}])) = A_2 + B_1 + C_2 + D_1, \quad (4.9.1c)$$

where the three brackets, which add up to $[[r, r]]^\alpha$, are defined in (1.1.4). The proofs for the three equalities are very similar, so we will only give the proof of (4.9.1a). Since $r = r'$ and $r_{21} = -r$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
A_3 &= [\alpha(r_2), r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r'_2) \otimes \alpha([x, r_1]) \\
&= [\alpha(r'_2), r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) \otimes \alpha([x, r'_1]) \\
&= -[\alpha(r'_1), r_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) \otimes \alpha([x, r'_2]) \\
&= -[\alpha^2(r'_1), \alpha^2(r_1)] \otimes \alpha^3(r_2) \otimes \alpha[x, \alpha(r'_2)] \\
&= \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ \alpha([r_1, r'_1]) \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) \otimes [x, \alpha(r'_2)] \}.
\end{aligned} \quad (4.9.2)$$

In the fourth equality we used $(\alpha^{\otimes 2})^2(r) = r$ and $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r') = r'$. In the last equality we used the anti-symmetry of $[-, -]$ and $\alpha([-, -]) = [-, -] \circ \alpha^{\otimes 2}$. Similar

computations give

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_2 &= [\alpha(r_2), r'_2] \otimes \alpha([x, r_1]) \otimes \alpha(r'_1) \\
 &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ \alpha([r_1, r'_1]) \otimes [x, \alpha(r_2)] \otimes \alpha^2(r'_2) \}, \\
 C_3 &= [[x, r_2], r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r'_2) \otimes \alpha^2(r_1) \\
 &= [[r'_2, x], \alpha(r_2)] \otimes \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_1), \\
 D_2 &= [[x, r_2], r'_2] \otimes \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha(r'_1) \\
 &= [[x, r_2], \alpha(r'_2)] \otimes \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_1).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.9.3}$$

Using, in addition, the anti-symmetry and the Hom-Jacobi identity of $[-, -]$, we add C_3 and D_2 :

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_3 + D_2 &= \{ [[r'_2, x], \alpha(r_2)] + [[x, r_2], \alpha(r'_2)] \} \otimes \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_1) \\
 &= [\alpha(x), [r_2, r'_2]] \otimes \alpha^2(r_1) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_1) \\
 &= [\alpha(x), [r_1, r'_1]] \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_2) \\
 &= [\alpha(x), [\alpha(r_1), \alpha(r'_1)]] \otimes \alpha^3(r_2) \otimes \alpha^3(r'_2) \\
 &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ [x, [r_1, r'_1]] \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_2) \}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.9.4}$$

Combining (4.9.2), (4.9.3), and (4.9.4), and using the definition (3.1.1) of ad_x , we now conclude that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_3 + B_2 + C_3 + D_2 &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ [x, [r_1, r'_1]] \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) \otimes \alpha^2(r'_2) \} \\
 &\quad + \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ \alpha([r_1, r'_1]) \otimes [x, \alpha(r_2)] \otimes \alpha^2(r'_2) \} \\
 &\quad + \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ \alpha([r_1, r'_1]) \otimes \alpha^2(r_2) \otimes [x, \alpha(r'_2)] \} \\
 &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ \text{ad}_x([r_1, r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) \otimes \alpha(r'_2)) \} \\
 &= \alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([r_{12}, r_{13}])).
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves (4.9.1a).

The equalities (4.9.1b) and (4.9.1c) are proved by very similar computations. Therefore, the equality (4.7.4) holds. Together with (4.7.3) we have shown that the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ is equivalent to $\alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([r, r]^\alpha)) = 0$. \square

The following result is an immediate consequence of Theorem 4.7. It gives sufficient conditions under which a Hom-Lie algebra becomes a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Corollary 4.10. *Let $(L, [-, -], \alpha)$ be a multiplicative Hom-Lie algebra and $r \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be an element such that*

$$\alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) = r, \quad r_{21} = -r, \quad \text{and} \quad [[r, r]^\alpha] = 0.$$

Then

$$(L, [-, -], \text{ad}(r), \alpha, r)$$

is a multiplicative quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra.

To end this section, we provide several equivalent characterizations of the CHYBE (1.1.3) in a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra. Let us first define some maps that will be used in the following result. Fix a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra $L = (L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha, r)$ with $r = \sum r_1 \otimes r_2$. Recall that $L^* = \text{Hom}(L, \mathbf{k})$ is the linear dual of L . Define the linear maps $\rho_1, \rho_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2: L^* \rightarrow L$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_1(\phi) &= \langle \phi, \alpha(r_1) \rangle r_2, \\ \rho_2(\phi) &= \langle \phi, r_1 \rangle \alpha(r_2), \\ \lambda_1(\phi) &= \alpha(r_1) \langle \phi, r_2 \rangle, \\ \lambda_2(\phi) &= r_1 \langle \phi, \alpha(r_2) \rangle \end{aligned} \tag{4.10.1}$$

for $\phi \in L^*$. The following result is a generalization of [35, Lemma 8.1.6], which deals with coboundary Lie bialgebras.

Theorem 4.11. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha, r)$ be a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra. Then the following statements are equivalent, in which the last two statements only apply when L is finite dimensional.*

- (1) L is a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra, i.e., $[[r, r]]^\alpha = 0$ (1.1.3).
- (2) The equality

$$(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(r) = -[r_{12}, r_{13}]$$

holds, where the bracket is defined in (1.1.4).

- (3) The equality

$$(\Delta \otimes \alpha)(r) = [r_{13}, r_{23}]$$

holds, where the bracket is defined in (1.1.4).

- (4) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L^* \otimes L^* & \xrightarrow{[-, -]} & L^* \\ \rho_1^{\otimes 2} \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho_2 \\ L \otimes L & \xrightarrow{[-, -]} & L \end{array} \tag{4.11.1}$$

commutes, where the bracket in L^* is defined as in (3.11.1).

- (5) The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L^* \otimes L^* & \xrightarrow{[-, -]} & L^* \\ \lambda_2^{\otimes 2} \downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda_1 \\ L \otimes L & \xrightarrow{-[-, -]} & L \end{array} \tag{4.11.2}$$

commutes.

(6) *The diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 L^* & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & L^* \otimes L^* \\
 \rho_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow \rho_2^{\otimes 2} \\
 L & \xrightarrow{-\Delta} & L \otimes L
 \end{array} \quad (4.11.3)$$

commutes, where the cobracket Δ on L^ is defined as in (3.11.1).*

(7) *The diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 L^* & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & L^* \otimes L^* \\
 \lambda_2 \downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda_1^{\otimes 2} \\
 L & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & L \otimes L
 \end{array} \quad (4.11.4)$$

commutes.

Proof. The equivalence between the first three statements clearly follows from the equalities

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(r) &= [r_{12}, r_{23}] + [r_{13}, r_{23}], \\
 (\Delta \otimes \alpha)(r) &= -[r_{12}, r_{13}] - [r_{12}, r_{23}].
 \end{aligned} \quad (4.11.5)$$

To see that (4.11.5) holds, let $r' = \sum r'_1 \otimes r'_2$ be another copy of r . Since $\Delta = \text{ad}(r)$ (4.1.1), the first equality in (4.11.5) holds because:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(r_1 \otimes r_2) &= \alpha(r_1) \otimes [r_2, r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r'_2) + \alpha(r_1) \otimes \alpha(r'_1) \otimes [r_2, r'_2] \\
 &= [r_{12}, r_{23}] + [r_{13}, r_{23}].
 \end{aligned}$$

The second equality in (4.11.5) is proved similarly. In view of the definitions (1.1.3) and (1.1.4), the equalities in (4.11.5) imply that the first three statements in the Theorem are equivalent.

Next we show the equivalence between statements (1), (4), and (6). Indeed, the CHYBE (i.e., $[[r, r]]^\alpha = 0$) holds if and only if

$$\langle \phi \otimes \psi \otimes Id, -[[r, r]]^\alpha \rangle = 0$$

for all $\phi, \psi \in L^*$. Using the second equality in (4.11.5) and the definition of $[-, -]$ in L^* (3.11.1), we compute as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \phi \otimes \psi \otimes Id, -[[r, r]]^\alpha \rangle &= \langle \phi \otimes \psi \otimes Id, (\Delta \otimes \alpha)(r) - \alpha(r_1) \otimes \alpha(r'_1) \otimes [r_2, r'_2] \rangle \\
 &= \langle [\phi, \psi], r_1 \rangle \alpha(r_2) - \langle \phi, \alpha(r_1) \rangle \langle \psi, \alpha(r'_1) \rangle [r_2, r'_2] \\
 &= \rho_2([\phi, \psi]) - [\rho_1(\phi), \rho_1(\psi)].
 \end{aligned}$$

The last line above is equal to zero if and only if the square (4.11.1) is commutative. This shows that statements (1) and (4) are equivalent.

Now we show the equivalence between statements (1) and (6). The the CHYBE ($[[r, r]]^\alpha = 0$) holds if and only if

$$\langle \phi \otimes Id \otimes Id, [[r, r]]^\alpha \rangle = 0$$

for all $\phi \in L^*$. Using the first equality in (4.11.5) and the definition of Δ in L^* (3.11.1), we compute as follows, where $\Delta(\phi) = \sum \phi_1 \otimes \phi_2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi \otimes Id \otimes Id, [[r, r]]^\alpha \rangle &= \langle \phi \otimes Id \otimes Id, [r_1, r'_1] \otimes \alpha(r_2) \otimes \alpha(r'_2) + (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(r) \rangle \\ &= \langle \phi_1, r_1 \rangle \langle \phi_2, r'_1 \rangle \alpha(r_2) \otimes \alpha(r'_2) + \langle \phi, \alpha(r_1) \rangle \Delta(r_2) \\ &= \rho_2^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(\phi)) + \Delta(\rho_1(\phi)). \end{aligned}$$

The last line above is equal to zero if and only if the square (4.11.3) is commutative. This shows that statements (1) and (6) are equivalent. The equivalence between statements (1), (5), and (7) is proved similarly. \square

5. Cobracket perturbation in Hom-Lie bialgebras

The purpose of this final section is to study perturbation of cobrackets in Hom-Lie bialgebras, following Drinfel'd's perturbation theory of quasi-Hopf algebras [11, 15, 16, 17, 18]. The basic question is this:

If $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ is a Hom-Lie bialgebra (Definition 3.3) and $t \in L^{\otimes 2}$, under what conditions does the perturbed cobracket $\Delta_t = \Delta + \text{ad}(t)$ give another Hom-Lie bialgebra $(L, [-, -], \Delta_t, \alpha)$?

This is a natural question because Δ is a 1-cocycle (Remark 3.4), $\text{ad}(t)$ (3.1.1) is a 1-coboundary when $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) = t$ (Remark 4.2), and perturbation of cocycles by coboundaries is a natural concept in homological algebra. Of course, we have more to worry about than just the cocycle condition (3.3.1) because (L, Δ_t, α) must be a Hom-Lie coalgebra (Definition 3.2).

In the following result, we give some sufficient conditions under which the perturbed cobracket Δ_t gives another Hom-Lie bialgebra. This is a generalization of [35, Theorem 8.1.7], which deals with cobracket perturbation in Lie bialgebras. A result about cobracket perturbation in a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra is given after the following result. We also briefly discuss *triangular* Hom-Lie bialgebra, which is the Hom version of Drinfel'd's triangular Lie bialgebra [13].

Let us recall some notations first. For $t = \sum t_1 \otimes t_2 \in L^{\otimes 2}$, the symbol t_{21} denotes $\tau(t) = \sum t_2 \otimes t_1$. We extend the notation in (2.3.4) as follows: If $f(x, y)$ is an expression in the elements x and y , we set

$$|f(x, y)| = f(x, y) - f(y, x).$$

For example, the compatibility condition (3.3.1) is

$$\Delta([x, y]) = |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y))|,$$

and the Hom-Jacobi identity (1.1.1) is equivalent to

$$[[x, y], \alpha(z)] = |[\alpha(x), [y, z]]|.$$

Note that we have

$$|f(x, y) + g(x, y)| = |f(x, y)| + |g(x, y)|.$$

Also recall the adjoint map $\text{ad}_x: L^{\otimes n} \rightarrow L^{\otimes n}$ (3.1.1).

Theorem 5.1. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ be a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra and $t \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be an element such that*

$$\alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) = t, \quad t_{21} = -t,$$

and

$$\alpha^{\otimes 3} \{ \text{ad}_x([t, t])^\alpha + \circ(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(t) \} = 0 \quad (5.1.1)$$

for all $x \in L$. Then

$$L_t = (L, [-, -], \Delta_t = \Delta + \text{ad}(t), \alpha)$$

is a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Proof. To show that L_t is a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra, we need to prove four things:

- (1) $\alpha^{\otimes 2} \circ \Delta_t = \Delta_t \circ \alpha$.
- (2) Δ_t is anti-symmetric.
- (3) The compatibility condition (3.3.1) holds for Δ_t and $[-, -]$.
- (4) Δ_t satisfies the Hom-co-Jacobi identity (Definition 3.2).

We will reuse part of the proof of Theorem 4.7.

For (1), we know that α commutes with $\text{ad}(t)$, which was established in the second paragraph in the proof of Theorem 4.7. Since α commutes with Δ already, we conclude that it commutes with $\Delta_t = \Delta + \text{ad}(t)$ as well, proving (1).

Next we consider (2), the anti-symmetry of Δ_t . Since Δ is already anti-symmetric, Δ_t is anti-symmetric if and only if $\text{ad}(t)$ is so. As we already proved in (4.7.2), the anti-symmetry of $\text{ad}(t)$ follows from the assumption $t + t_{21} = 0$.

Now we explain why (3) (the compatibility condition (3.3.1) for Δ_t and $[-, -]$) holds. We need to show that

$$\Delta_t([x, y]) = |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta_t(y))|. \quad (5.1.2)$$

Since

$$\Delta_t = \Delta + \text{ad}(t),$$

(5.1.2) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta([x, y]) + \text{ad}_{[x, y]}(t) &= |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y)) + \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\text{ad}_y(t))| \\ &= |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y))| + |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\text{ad}_y(t))| \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, since

$$\Delta([x, y]) = |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(y))|$$

because L is a Hom-Lie bialgebra, (5.1.2) is equivalent to

$$\text{ad}_{[x,y]}(t) = |\text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\text{ad}_y(t))|, \quad (5.1.3)$$

which holds by Lemma 4.8.

Finally, we consider (4), the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of Δ_t , which states

$$\circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \Delta_t)(\Delta_t(x)) = 0 \quad (5.1.4)$$

for all $x \in L$. Using the definition

$$\Delta_t = \Delta + \text{ad}(t),$$

we can rewrite (5.1.4) as

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(x)) + \circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \text{ad}(t))(\Delta(x)) \\ &\quad + \circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\text{ad}_x(t)) + \circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \text{ad}(t))(\text{ad}_x(t)). \end{aligned} \quad (5.1.5)$$

We already know that

$$\circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\Delta(x)) = 0,$$

which is the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of Δ . Moreover, in (4.7.3) and (4.7.4) (in the proof of Theorem 4.7 with t instead of r), we already showed that

$$\circlearrowleft(\alpha \otimes \text{ad}(t))(\text{ad}_x(t)) = \alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([[t, t]]^\alpha)). \quad (5.1.6)$$

In view of (5.1.5) and (5.1.6), the Hom-co-Jacobi identity of Δ_t (5.1.4) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \alpha^{\otimes 3}(\text{ad}_x([[t, t]]^\alpha)) \\ &\quad + \circlearrowleft\{(\alpha \otimes \text{ad}(t))(\Delta(x)) + (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\text{ad}_x(t))\}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.1.7)$$

Using the assumption (5.1.1), the condition (5.1.7) is equivalent to

$$\circlearrowleft\{(\alpha \otimes \text{ad}(t))(\Delta(x)) + (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\text{ad}_x(t))\} = \alpha^{\otimes 3}(\circlearrowleft \text{ad}_x((\alpha \otimes \Delta)(t))). \quad (5.1.8)$$

We will prove (5.1.8) in Lemma 5.2 below.

The proof of Theorem 5.1 will be complete once we prove Lemma 5.2. \square

Lemma 5.2. *The condition (5.1.8) holds.*

Proof. Write $\Delta(x) = \sum x_1 \otimes x_2$. Then the left-hand side of (5.1.8) is:

$$\begin{aligned} &\circlearrowleft\{(\alpha \otimes \text{ad}(t))(\Delta(x)) + (\alpha \otimes \Delta)(\text{ad}_x(t))\} \\ &= \circlearrowleft\{\alpha(x_1) \otimes \text{ad}_{x_2}(t_1 \otimes t_2) + (\alpha \otimes \Delta)([x, t_1] \otimes \alpha(t_2) + \alpha(t_1) \otimes [x, t_2])\} \\ &= \circlearrowleft\{\alpha(x_1) \otimes [x_2, t_1] \otimes \alpha(t_2) + \alpha(x_1) \otimes \alpha(t_1) \otimes [x_2, t_2]\} \\ &\quad + \circlearrowleft\{\alpha([x, t_1]) \otimes \Delta(\alpha(t_2)) + \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes \Delta([x, t_2])\}. \end{aligned}$$

Write $\Delta(t_2) = \sum t'_2 \otimes t''_2$. Recall from (3.3.1) that

$$\Delta([x, t_2]) = \text{ad}_{\alpha(x)}(\Delta(t_2)) - \text{ad}_{\alpha(t_2)}(\Delta(x))$$

because L is a Hom-Lie bialgebra. Making use of the fact that we have a cyclic sum, we can continue the above computation as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \circ \{ \alpha(x_1) \otimes [x_2, t_1] \otimes \alpha(t_2) + \alpha(x_1) \otimes \alpha(t_1) \otimes [x_2, t_2] + \alpha([x, t_1]) \otimes \alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(t_2)) \} \\ &\quad + \circ \{ \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), t'_2] \otimes \alpha(t''_2) + \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes \alpha(t'_2) \otimes [\alpha(x), t''_2] \} \\ &\quad - \circ \{ \alpha(x_2) \otimes \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes [\alpha(t_2), x_1] + \alpha(x_1) \otimes [\alpha(t_2), x_2] \otimes \alpha^2(t_1) \} \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the anti-symmetry of Δ applied to x (i.e., $\sum x_2 \otimes x_1 = -\sum x_1 \otimes x_2$), $t_{21} = -t$, and $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) = t$ that the first two terms and the last two terms above cancel out. Using the commutation of α with $[-, -]$ and Δ and $\alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) = t$, the above computation continues as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \circ \{ \alpha([x, t_1]) \otimes \alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(t_2)) + \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), t'_2] \otimes \alpha(t''_2) + \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes \alpha(t'_2) \otimes [\alpha(x), t''_2] \} \\ &= \circ \{ \alpha([\alpha(x), \alpha(t_1)]) \otimes \alpha^{\otimes 2}(\Delta(\alpha(t_2))) + \alpha^3(t_1) \otimes [\alpha(x), \alpha(t'_2)] \otimes \alpha^2(t''_2) \} \\ &\quad + \circ \{ \alpha^3(t_1) \otimes \alpha^2(t'_2) \otimes [\alpha(x), \alpha(t''_2)] \} \\ &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} (\circ \{ [x, \alpha(t_1)] \otimes \Delta(\alpha(t_2)) + \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes [x, t'_2] \otimes \alpha(t''_2) + \alpha^2(t_1) \otimes \alpha(t'_2) \otimes [x, t''_2] \}) \\ &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} (\circ \text{ad}_x (\alpha(t_1) \otimes t'_2 \otimes t''_2)) \\ &= \alpha^{\otimes 3} (\circ \text{ad}_x ((\alpha \otimes \Delta)(t))). \end{aligned}$$

This proves (5.1.8). □

The following result is a special case of the previous Theorem.

Corollary 5.3. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta, \alpha)$ be a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra and $t \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be an element such that*

$$\alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) = t, \quad t_{21} = -t, \quad \text{and} \quad [[t, t]]^\alpha + \circ(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(t) = 0.$$

Then

$$L_t = (L, [-, -], \Delta_t = \Delta + \text{ad}(t), \alpha)$$

is a multiplicative Hom-Lie bialgebra.

The following result gives sufficient conditions under which the cobracket in a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra (Definition 4.1) can be perturbed to give another quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Corollary 5.4. *Let $(L, [-, -], \Delta = \text{ad}(r), \alpha, r)$ be a multiplicative quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra and $t \in L^{\otimes 2}$ be an element such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) &= t, \\ t_{21} &= -t, \\ 0 &= [[t, t]]^\alpha + \circ(\alpha \otimes \Delta)(t) \\ 0 &= [[r, t]]^\alpha + [[t, r]]^\alpha + [[t, t]]^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$L_t = (L, [-, -], \Delta_t = \text{ad}(r+t), \alpha, r+t)$$

is a multiplicative quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra.

Proof. Indeed, Corollary 5.3 implies that L_t is a coboundary Hom-Lie bialgebra, since

$$\text{ad}(r) + \text{ad}(t) = \text{ad}(r+t)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^{\otimes 2}(r+t) &= \alpha^{\otimes 2}(r) + \alpha^{\otimes 2}(t) \\ &= r+t. \end{aligned}$$

The sum $r+t$ satisfies the CHYBE (1.1.3) because

$$[[r+t, r+t]]^\alpha = [[r, r]]^\alpha + [[r, t]]^\alpha + [[t, r]]^\alpha + [[t, t]]^\alpha$$

and r satisfies the CHYBE, i.e., $[[r, r]]^\alpha = 0$. \square

Let us give an interpretation of the previous Corollary. Define a **triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra** as a quasi-triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra $(L, [-, -], \Delta = \text{ad}(t), \alpha, t)$ (Definition 4.1) in which t is anti-symmetric (i.e., $t_{21} = -t$). A triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra with $\alpha = Id$ is exactly a triangular Lie bialgebra, as defined by Drinfel'd [13]. Corollary 5.4 implies that every triangular Hom-Lie bialgebra is obtained as a perturbation of the trivial cobracket $\Delta = \text{ad}(0)$. Of course, one can infer this fact from Corollary 4.4 as well.

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