

# Quantum Analogy of Poisson Geometry, Related Dendriform Algebras and Rota–Baxter Operators

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**Abstract.** We will introduce an associative (or quantum) version of Poisson structure tensors. This object is defined as an operator satisfying a “generalized” Rota–Baxter identity of weight zero. Such operators are called generalized Rota–Baxter operators. We will show that generalized Rota–Baxter operators are characterized by a cocycle condition so that Poisson structures are so. By analogy with twisted Poisson structures, we propose a new operator “twisted Rota–Baxter operators,” which is a natural generalization of generalized Rota–Baxter operators. It is known that classical Rota–Baxter operators are closely related with dendriform algebras. We will show that twisted Rota–Baxter operators induce NS-algebra, which is a twisted version of dendriform algebra. The twisted Poisson condition is considered as a Maurer–Cartan equation up to homotopy. We will show the twisted Rota–Baxter condition also is so. And we will study a Poisson-geometric reason, how the twisted Rota–Baxter condition arises.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $V$  be a smooth manifold. A bivector field  $\pi$  on  $V$  defines a Poisson bracket on the smooth functions if and only if  $\pi$  is a solution of the classical Yang–Baxter type, or Maurer–Cartan equation,

$$\frac{1}{2}[\pi, \pi] = 0, \tag{1}$$

where the bracket  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  is a Schouten bracket on  $V$ .  $\pi$  is a solution of (1) if and only if  $\pi$  satisfies the operator identity (2) below. For any smooth one-forms  $\eta, \theta$ ,

$$[\pi(\eta), \pi(\theta)] = \pi([\pi(\eta), \theta] + [\eta, \pi(\theta)]) \tag{2}$$

where  $\pi$  is identified with a bundle map from the cotangent bundle to the tangent bundle. Severa and Weinstein [19] gave an extended framework of Poisson geometry. A twisted Poisson structure is to be a solution  $\pi : T^*V \rightarrow TV$  of the following equation:

$$[\pi(\eta), \pi(\theta)] = \pi([\pi(\eta), \theta] + [\eta, \pi(\theta)]) + \pi\phi(\pi(\eta), \pi(\theta)), \quad (3)$$

where  $\phi$  is a closed three-form on  $V$ . It is known that if  $\pi$  is a twisted Poisson structure then the bracket  $\{\eta, \theta\} := [\pi(\eta), \theta] + [\eta, \pi(\theta)] + \phi(\pi(\eta), \pi(\theta))$  is a Lie bracket on the space of 1-forms. In particular if  $\phi = 0$  then (3) coincides with (2). Hence (non-twisted) Poisson structures are special examples of twisted Poisson structures. In this paper we construct a kind of quantum analogy of (twisted-) Poisson geometry. We describe here the main idea of this article.

Carinena and coauthors [5] introduced a new operator identity which is an associative version of classical Nijenhuis identity, motivated by the study of Wigner problem. The main result of [5] is as follows. Let  $(\mathcal{A}, *)$  be an associative algebra equipped with an operator  $N : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ . They showed that if  $N$  satisfies (AN) below then  $x *_1 y := N(x) * y + x * N(y) - N(x * y)$  provides an associative multiplication on  $\mathcal{A}$  and the pair  $(*, *_1)$  becomes a quantum bi-Hamiltonian system in the sense of [5].

$$N(x) * N(y) = N(N(x) * y + x * N(y)) - NN(x * y). \quad (\text{AN})$$

The classical Nijenhuis condition is the Lie version of (AN),

$$[N(x), N(y)] = N([N(x), y] + [x, N(y)]) - NN([x, y]), \quad (\text{CN})$$

where  $*$  in (AN) is replaced with a Lie bracket. Hence the operator in (AN) is called an associative Nijenhuis operator.

We apply their idea to other operator identities, i.e., given an operator identity in the category of Lie algebras, by the replacement of Lie brackets with associative multiplications, we define an operator identity in the category of associative algebras. We call such a formal functor a ‘‘quantum analogy’’. By using quantum analogy, we get a new operator identity, that is an ‘‘associative version’’ of the classical one. We remark that quantum analogy is not unique, for instance, the derivation rule in the category of associative algebra is a quantum analogue of the rule in the one of Lie algebras:

$$\begin{aligned} d(x * y) &= dx * y + x * dy, \\ d[x, y] &= [dx, y] + [x, dy]. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,  $d(x * y) = dx * y - dy * x$  is also a quantum analogue, because  $-[dy, x] = [x, dy]$ . However, the latter is not interesting as an analogy. The associative Nijenhuis condition is considered as a meaningful example of quantum analogues. In general, it is difficult to construct meaningful examples. We

can find another interesting example in Aguiar’s works [1–3]. Motivated by the study of infinitesimal bi-algebras, he introduced an associative Yang–Baxter equation (AYBE):

$$r_{13} * r_{12} - r_{12} * r_{23} + r_{23} * r_{13} = 0, \tag{AYBE}$$

which is an associative version of classical Yang–Baxter equation (CYBE). Here  $r_{ij}$  are three-power tensors and  $*$  is an associative multiplication. The condition AYBE means that if  $r$  is a solution of AYBE then the Hochschild coboundary  $\partial r : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$  is a coassociative comultiplication. This result is an analogy of a basic property of Lie bialgebras. Hence AYBEs can be seen as an integrability condition. However, we have not yet found an interesting geometrical application.

We introduce a quantum analogue of the Poisson condition (2). The Poisson bundle map  $\pi : T^*V \rightarrow TV$  is defined between the cotangent bundle and the tangent bundle. Thus a quantum analogue of  $\pi : T^*V \rightarrow TV$  is inappropriate for an endomorphism on  $\mathcal{A}$ . The condition (2) is defined by using a (non-symmetric) representation  $TV \xrightarrow{\text{rep}} T^*V$ . So, in order to construct an associative version of (2), we use the category of associative representations. Let  $M$  be an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule, and let  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  a linear map. A quantum analogue of the Poisson condition is defined as the identity,

$$\pi(m) * \pi(n) = \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)), \tag{4}$$

where  $\cdot$  means the bimodule action. We give several nontrivial examples of such operators in the next section. Especially, when  $M = \mathcal{A}$  and  $\cdot = *$ , (4) is reduced to a Rota–Baxter condition:

$$\beta(x) * \beta(y) = \beta(\beta(x) * y + x * \beta(y)), \tag{RB}$$

where we changed  $\pi$  for  $\beta$ . The  $\beta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is called a Rota–Baxter operator of “weight zero”, or simply, Rota–Baxter operator. In general, Rota–Baxter operators are defined by the weighted formula,  $\beta(x) * \beta(y) = \beta(\beta(x) * y + x * \beta(y)) - q\beta(x * y)$ , where  $q$  is a scalar (weight). The Rota–Baxter operators of  $q = 0$  are special examples. When an operator  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  satisfies (4), we call  $\pi$  a **generalized Rota–Baxter operator**, or shortly, **GRB-operator**. Remark that this generalization is only applied to weight zero Rota–Baxter operators. So, in the following, we assume the weight of Rota–Baxter operator is zero. In order to distinguish the usual Rota–Baxter operators from the generalized ones, we denote the usual Rota–Baxter operator by  $\beta$ . Mainly, the usual Rota–Baxter operators have been studied in combinatorial theory [4, 6, 9–11, 17, 18]. We do not discuss combinatorial problems, because they are beyond our scope.

On the other hand, it is known that Rota–Baxter operators  $\beta$  are closely related to Loday’s dendriform algebras in [16]. Let  $E$  be a module equipped with two binary multiplications  $>$  and  $<$ .  $E$  is called a dendriform algebra, if the following

three axioms are satisfied.

$$\begin{aligned} (x \prec y) \prec z &= x \prec (y \succ z + y \prec z), \\ (x \succ y) \prec z &= x \succ (y \prec z), \\ x \succ (y \succ z) &= (x \succ y + x \prec y) \succ z, \end{aligned}$$

where  $x, y, z \in E$ . He showed that the operad of dendriform algebras is the Koszul dual of the one of associative dialgebras and that a dendriform algebra characterizes an associative multiplication, i.e., the sum of two multiplications,  $xy := x \succ y + x \prec y$ , is associative. In [2], it was explained how one may associate a dendriform algebra to any associative algebra equipped with a Rota–Baxter operator, i.e., it was shown that if  $\beta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a Rota–Baxter operator then the pair of multiplications  $x \succ y := \beta(x)y$  and  $x \prec y := x\beta(y)$  is a dendriform structure on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

In this letter we aim to make a quantum analogue of Poisson geometry by the generalized Rota–Baxter operators and the theory of dendriform algebras. Since (2) is equivalent with the square zero equation (1) and GRB-condition is an analogy of (2), we hope to get a square zero equation with respect to GRB-condition. The bracket of (1) is a Gerstenhaber-type bracket defined by the derived bracket of Kosmann-Schwarzbach [13]. So, by using the derived bracket associated with a canonical Gerstenhaber bracket, we obtain the following square zero equation which is equivalent with GRB-identity (Proposition 2.14 below).

$$\frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} = 0,$$

where  $\hat{\pi}$  is a natural extension of  $\pi$  (Proposition 2.8). Through Section 2, we will study fundamental properties of generalized Rota–Baxter operators. The generalized Rota–Baxter operators inherit the basic properties from classical ones  $\beta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ . For instance, an arbitrary GRB-operator  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  also induces a dendriform structure on  $M$  by the natural manner. However, we will see several differences between generalized Rota–Baxter operators and classical ones. For instance, we can say that an arbitrary dendriform structure is induced by a GRB-operator. In other words, the notions of “Rota–Baxter” and “dendriform” are unified by the generalization. In Section 3, we define a quantum analogue of the twisted Poisson condition (3). We call a linear map  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  a **twisted Rota–Baxter operator**, if it is satisfying the condition,

$$\pi(m) * \pi(n) = \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)) + \pi\phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)), \tag{TRB}$$

where  $\phi$  is a Hochschild 2-cocycle in  $C^2(\mathcal{A}, M)$ . A generalized Rota–Baxter operator is a special twisted Rota–Baxter operator in which  $\phi = 0$ . Given an arbitrary 1-cochain  $f$ , one can define the Hamiltonian vector field  $X_f$  by usgin the canonical Gerstenhaber bracket. We will see that the Hamiltonian flow  $\exp(X_f)$  is also well-defined in our construction [see Section 3, (25)]. For an arbitrary 2-cochain  $\Theta$ ,

its canonical transformation is defined to be  $\exp(X_f)(\Theta)$  by analogy with Poisson geometry. By a standard argument of extension,

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \oplus M \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow 0,$$

$\mathcal{A} \oplus M$  has an associative structure  $\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}$ , where  $\hat{\mu}$  is an extension of an associative structure of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\hat{\phi}$  is an extension of a 2-cocycle  $\phi \in C^2(\mathcal{A}, M)$ . For a given 1-cochain  $\pi$ , we will compute an explicit formula of  $\exp(X_\pi)(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi})$ , and from the result we obtain a geometrical characterization of twisted Rota–Baxter operators (Proposition 3.10, Corollary 3.11).

## 2. Rota–Baxter Operators and Dendriform Algebras

**Notations and Standing assumptions.** Throughout this article,  $\mathcal{A}$  is an associative algebra over a commutative ring  $k$  and  $M$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. The algebras are not necessarily unital. Elements of  $M$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  will be denoted by  $m, n, l \dots$  and  $a, b, c, \dots$ , respectively. And all actions will be denoted by dot “ $\cdot$ ”. In the following, we omit the multiplication  $*$  on  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $ab := a * b$ .

### 2.1. QUANTUM ANALOGUE OF POISSON CONDITION

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an associative algebra, and let  $M$  an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule, and let  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  a linear map. We consider an operator identity,

$$\pi(m) * \pi(n) = \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)), \tag{5}$$

where  $m, n \in M$ .

**DEFINITION 2.1.** We call  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  a generalized Rota–Baxter operator, or simply, GRB-operator, if it satisfies (5).

A Rota–Baxter operator is a special example of GRB-operators in which  $M = \mathcal{A}$  and the bimodule structure is canonical.

Assume that  $M'$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule. One can easily check that if  $f : M' \rightarrow M$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule morphism and  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is GRB then the composition  $\pi \circ f : M' \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is also GRB. A classical Rota–Baxter operator is known as an abstraction of the integral operator:

$$\beta(f)(x) := \int_0^x dt f(t), \quad f \in C^0([0, 1]). \tag{6}$$

EXAMPLE 2.2. Given an invertible Hochschild 1-cocycle, or invertible derivation  $d : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow M$ , the inverse  $\int := d^{-1}$  is a GRB-operator. For any  $m, n \in M$ , we have

$$\int(m) \int(n) = \int d \left( \int(m) \int(n) \right) = \int \left( m \cdot \int(n) + \int(m) \cdot n \right).$$

EXAMPLE 2.3. Let  $W(x, y)$  be the Weyl algebra of two generators. Here the commutation relation is  $[x, y] := 1$ . For the normal basis  $x^i y^j$ , we define

$$\int x^i y^j dy := \frac{1}{j+1} x^i y^{j+1}.$$

This integral operator is a classical Rota–Baxter operator.

*Proof.* When  $j \neq 0$ , we have

$$\int [x, x^i y^j] dy = \int x^i [x, y^j] dy = \int j x^i y^{j-1} dy = x^i y^j.$$

For any  $a = x^i y^j, b = x^k y^l$ , we have

$$\int \left[ x, \int a dy \int b dy \right] dy = \int \left( \int a dy b + a \int b dy \right) dy,$$

where an identity  $[x, \int(\cdot) dy] = id$  is used. Since  $\int a dy \int b dy$  is a polynomial of the form  $C_{ij} x^i y^j$  and  $j \neq 0$ , we have  $\int [x, \int a dy \int b dy] dy = \int a dy \int b dy$ . □

EXAMPLE 2.4. As the dual of the Rota–Baxter operator (6), the derivation operator,

$$\omega(x) \frac{d}{dx} : C^1([0, 1]) \rightarrow C^0([0, 1]),$$

becomes a generalized Rota–Baxter operator, where  $\omega(x)$  is a continuous function. This example is followed from Proposition 2.12 below.

EXAMPLE 2.5. As the dual of the integral operator in Example 2.3, the derivation operator,

$$ad_x : W(x, y) \rightarrow W(x, y), \quad a \mapsto [x, a]$$

becomes GRB. This example is also followed from Proposition 2.12 below.

We recall (AYBE) in Introduction:

$$\sum_{ij} a_i a_j \otimes b^j \otimes b^i = \sum_{ij} a_i \otimes b^i a_j \otimes b^j - \sum_{ij} a_j \otimes a_i \otimes b^i b^j, \tag{7}$$

where  $r = \sum a_i \otimes b_i \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ . We show that a skew symmetric solution of AYBE is a GRB-operator. In the following, we omit  $\sum_{ij}$ .

EXAMPLE 2.6. Let  $r := \sum_i a_i \otimes b_i = a_i \otimes b^i$  be a solution of AYBE. We put  $M := \mathcal{A}^* := \text{Hom}_k(\mathcal{A}, k)$ . The  $\mathcal{A}$ -bimodule structure on  $\mathcal{A}^*$  is the usual one:  $(a \cdot f)(b) := f(ba)$  and  $(f \cdot a)(b) := f(ab)$  for any  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{A}^*$ . We define a linear map  $\tilde{r}: \mathcal{A}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  by

$$\tilde{r}(f) := a_i f(b^i), \quad f(b^i) \in k.$$

If  $r$  is skew symmetric then the  $\tilde{r}$  is GRB.

*Proof.* For any  $f, g \in \mathcal{A}^*$ , we have  $\tilde{r}(f)\tilde{r}(g) = a_i a_j g(b^j) f(b^i)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{r}(\tilde{r}(f) \cdot g) &= a_i (\tilde{r}(f) \cdot g)(b^i) = a_i g(b^i \tilde{r}(f)) = \\ &= a_i g(b^i a_j f(b^j)) = a_i g(b^i a_j) f(b^j). \end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $r$  is skew symmetric. Then we have  $a_i f(b^i) = -b_i f(a^i)$  for any  $f \in \mathcal{A}^*$ . By using the assumption, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{r}(f \cdot \tilde{r}(g)) &= -\tilde{r}(f \cdot g(a_i) b^i) = -g(a_i) \tilde{r}(f \cdot b^i) = \\ &= -g(a_i) a_j (f \cdot b^i)(b^j) = -a_j g(a_i) f(b^i b^j). \end{aligned}$$

We define a multilinear operation by  $(a \otimes b \otimes c)(g \otimes f) := ag(b)f(c)$ , for any  $g \otimes f \in \mathcal{A}^* \otimes \mathcal{A}^*$  and  $a \otimes b \otimes c \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ . Applying  $g \otimes f$  to (7), the left-hand side is

$$(a_i a_j \otimes b^j \otimes b^i)(g \otimes f) = a_i a_j g(b^j) f(b^i) = \tilde{r}(f)\tilde{r}(g)$$

and the right-hand side is

$$\begin{aligned} (a_i \otimes b^i a_j \otimes b^j)(g \otimes f) - (a_j \otimes a_i \otimes b^i b^j)(g \otimes f) &= \\ = a_i g(b^i a_j) f(b^j) - a_j g(a_i) f(b^i b^j) &= \tilde{r}(\tilde{r}(f) \cdot g) + \tilde{r}(f \cdot \tilde{r}(g)). \end{aligned}$$

From AYBE, we obtain the generalized Rota–Baxter condition of  $\tilde{r}$ . □

We study a useful representation of GRB-operators. Set an algebra  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$  equipped with an associative multiplication:

$$(a, m) * (b, n) := (ab, a \cdot n + m \cdot b),$$

where  $(a, m), (b, n) \in \mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ . Namely,  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$  is the algebra of semidirect product. Let  $\pi: M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a linear map. We denote the graph of  $\pi$  by  $L_\pi$ ,

$$L_\pi := \{(\pi(m), m) \mid m \in M\}.$$

In Poisson geometry, it is well-known that  $\pi$  is a Poisson structure on  $V$  if and only if the graph of the bundle map  $\pi: T^*V \rightarrow TV$  is a Lie algebroid which is called a Dirac structure [7]. Namely, the Poisson condition is characterized by certain algebraic properties of the graph. As an analogy, we have Lemma 2.7 below. We refer also to Freeman’s early work [12]. He showed the lemma below in the classical cases.

LEMMA 2.7.  $\pi$  is a generalized Rota–Baxter operator if and only if  $L_\pi$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ .

*Proof.* For any  $(\pi(m), m), (\pi(n), n) \in L_\pi$ , we have

$$(\pi(m), m) * (\pi(n), n) = (\pi(m)\pi(n), \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)).$$

$\pi$  is a generalized Rota–Baxter if and only if  $(\pi(m)\pi(n), \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n))$  is in  $L_\pi$ .  $\square$

The above lemma says that a generalized Rota–Baxter operator is a good substructure of the trivial extension,  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ . It is natural to ask what is a good substructure of an arbitrary extension. We will give a solution in Section 3.

$L_\pi$  and  $M$  are isomorphic as modules by the identification  $(\pi(m), m) \cong m$ . Thus if  $\pi$  is a GRB-operator, i.e.,  $L_\pi$  is an associative subalgebra of  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$  then  $M$  is also an associative algebra.

Given an arbitrary linear map  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ , we define a lift of  $\pi$ ,  $\hat{\pi}$ , as an endomorphism on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus M$  by  $\hat{\pi}(a, m) := (\pi(m), 0)$ .

PROPOSITION 2.8.  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a generalized Rota–Baxter operator if and only if the lift  $\hat{\pi} (=:\beta)$  is a classical Rota–Baxter operator on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ .

*Proof.* For any  $(a, m), (b, n) \in \mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ , we have

$$\hat{\pi}(a, m) * \hat{\pi}(b, n) = (\pi(m), 0) * (\pi(n), 0) = (\pi(m)\pi(n), 0).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\pi}(\hat{\pi}(a, m) * (b, n) + (a, m) * \hat{\pi}(b, n)) &= \\ &= \hat{\pi}((\pi(m), 0) * (b, n) + (a, m) * (\pi(n), 0)) = \\ &= \hat{\pi}((\pi(m)b, \pi(m) \cdot n) + (a\pi(n), m \cdot \pi(n))) = \\ &= (\pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)), 0). \end{aligned}$$

The proof of the proposition is completed.  $\square$

This proposition will be used in Section 2.3.

We recall dendriform algebras [16]. Let  $E$  be a module equipped with two binary operations  $\prec$  and  $\succ$ .  $E$  is called a dendriform algebra, if the three axioms (8), (9) and (10) are satisfied. For any  $x, y, z \in E$ ,

$$(x \prec y) \prec z = x \prec (y \succ z + y \prec z), \tag{8}$$

$$(x \succ y) \prec z = x \succ (y \prec z), \tag{9}$$

$$x \succ (y \succ z) = (x \succ y + x \prec y) \succ z, \tag{10}$$

In Lemma 2.7 we saw that a GRB-operator  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  induces an associative multiplication on  $M$  via the isomorphism  $M \cong L_\pi$ . This induced associative structure comes from the dendriform algebra associated with  $\pi$ .



**PROPOSITION 2.9.** [16] *Given a dendriform algebra, the sum of two multiplications  $xy := x \succ y + x \prec y$  is an associative multiplication.*

In [2] it was shown that if  $\beta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a classical Rota–Baxter operator then  $a \succ b := \beta(a)b$  and  $a \prec b := a\beta(b)$  define a dendriform algebra structure on  $\mathcal{A}$ . For our generalized Rota–Baxter operators the same proposition holds.

**PROPOSITION 2.10.** *Let  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a generalized Rota–Baxter operator. Then  $M$  becomes a dendriform algebra by the multiplications  $m \succ n := \pi(m) \cdot n$  and  $m \prec n := m \cdot \pi(n)$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\pi$  is GRB then we have

$$\begin{aligned} m \succ (n \succ l) &= (\pi(m)\pi(n)) \cdot l = \\ &= \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)) \cdot l = \\ &= (m \succ n + m \prec n) \succ l, \end{aligned}$$

where  $l \in M$ . All other axioms are proved similarly. □

As an application of Proposition 2.10, we will give Proposition 2.12 below. When  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is GRB,  $M$  has the associative multiplication via Propositions 2.9, 2.10. We denote the associative algebra by  $M_{\text{ass}}$ .

**LEMMA 2.11.** *Under the assumptions above, the module  $\mathcal{A}$  becomes a  $M_{\text{ass}}$ -bimodule by the actions,*

$$\begin{aligned} a \cdot_{\pi} m &:= a\pi(m) - \pi(a \cdot m), \\ m \cdot_{\pi} a &:= \pi(m)a - \pi(m \cdot a), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\cdot_{\pi}$  means the  $M_{\text{ass}}$ -action on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

*Proof.* In Corollary 2.15 below, we will show that the multiplication

$$(a, m) *_{\pi} (b, n) := (a \cdot_{\pi} n + m \cdot_{\pi} b, mn)$$

is associative on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus M$ , where  $mn := m \succ n + m \prec n$ . The associativity gives the bimodule condition of the action  $\cdot_{\pi}$ . □

The proposition below implies a duality between integral operators and derivation operators.

**PROPOSITION 2.12.** *Let  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a generalized Rota–Baxter operator, and let  $\Omega : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow M$  a derivation operator. If  $\Omega\pi(M) = z \cdot M$ , then  $\Omega : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow M_{\text{ass}}$  is a generalized Rota–Baxter operator, where  $z$  is a central element in  $Z(\mathcal{A})$ .*

*proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(a) \cdot_{\pi} b + a \cdot_{\pi} \Omega(b) &= \pi(\Omega(a))b - \pi(\Omega(a) \cdot b) + a\pi(\Omega(b)) - \pi(a \cdot \Omega(b)) = \\
 &= \pi(\Omega(a))b + a\pi(\Omega(b)) - \pi(\Omega(a) \cdot b + a \cdot \Omega(b)) = \\
 &= \pi(\Omega(a))b + a\pi(\Omega(b)) - \pi\Omega(ab).
 \end{aligned}$$

Here the derivation condition of  $\Omega$  is used. Applying  $\Omega$  on the both side, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(\Omega(a) \cdot_{\pi} b + a \cdot_{\pi} \Omega(b)) &= \\
 &= \Omega(\pi(\Omega(a))b + a\pi(\Omega(b)) - \pi\Omega(ab)) = \\
 &= \Omega(\pi(\Omega(a))b + a\pi(\Omega(b))) - z \cdot \Omega(ab) = \\
 &= z\Omega(a) \cdot b + \pi(\Omega(a)) \cdot \Omega(b) + \Omega(a) \cdot \pi(\Omega(b)) + za \cdot \Omega(b) - z \cdot \Omega(ab) = \\
 &= \pi(\Omega(a)) \cdot \Omega(b) + \Omega(a) \cdot \pi(\Omega(b)) = \\
 &= \Omega(a) \succ \Omega(b) + \Omega(a) \prec \Omega(b) = \Omega(a)\Omega(b).
 \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\Omega\pi = z$  is used. □

We remember Examples 2.4 and 2.5. In the both examples, the assumption of the proposition above holds. Hence the derivation operators of the two examples become generalized Rota–Baxter operators.

*Remark 1.* Under the assumptions of Proposition 2.12, one can show that  $\pi\Omega: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is an associative Nijenhuis operator satisfying (AN) in Introduction. This implies a relationship between generalized Rota–Baxter operators and associative Nijenhuis operators. We will study the relation in [20].

## 2.2. ROTA–BAXTER OPERATORS VIA DENDRIFORM ALGEBRAS

We consider the converse of Proposition 2.10. Given a dendriform algebra  $E$ ,  $E$  is an associative algebra by Proposition 2.9. We denote the associated associative algebra by  $E_{\text{ass}}$ . One can easily check that  $E$  is an  $E_{\text{ass}}$ -bimodule by  $e \cdot x := e \succ x$  and  $x \cdot e := x \prec e$ , where  $e \in E_{\text{ass}}$  and  $x \in E$ . Under this setting, the identity map  $1: E \rightarrow E_{\text{ass}}$  is a *generalized* Rota–Baxter operator and the corresponding dendriform algebra is the original one. Hence all dendriform algebras are induced by generalized Rota–Baxter operators. However, this correspondence between generalized Rota–Baxter operators and dendriform algebras is not bijective. We will discuss the correspondence as follow.

Let **Dend** be the category of dendriform algebras. The objects of **Dend** are dendriform algebras and the morphisms are the obvious ones. In addition we consider the category of GRB-operators, which are denoted by **GRB**. The objects of **GRB**

are GRB-operators  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  and the morphisms are commutative diagrams of linear maps:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 M & \xrightarrow{\psi_1} & M' \\
 \pi \downarrow & & \gamma \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\psi_0} & \mathcal{A}'
 \end{array} \tag{11}$$

such that  $\psi_1(a \cdot m) = \psi_0(a) \cdot \psi_1(m)$  and  $\psi_1(m \cdot a) = \psi_1(m) \cdot \psi_0(a)$ , where  $\gamma$  is a GRB-operator and  $\psi_0$  is not necessarily an algebra homomorphism. Proposition 2.10 defines a functor  $G : \mathbf{GRB} \rightarrow \mathbf{Dend}$ . Conversely, for a given dendriform algebra  $E$ , the GRB-operator of identity map  $1 : E \rightarrow E_{\text{ass}}$  is the result of a functor  $F : \mathbf{Dend} \rightarrow \mathbf{GRB}$ . The composition  $GF$  is clearly identity, and one can check an adjoint relation of the pair  $(F, G)$ :

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{GRB}}(F(E), \pi) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Dend}}(E, G(\pi)), \tag{12}$$

where  $\pi$  means an object  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ . This isomorphism sends an arbitrary morphism  $(\psi : E \rightarrow M) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{Dend}}(E, G(\pi))$  to the following morphism in  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{GRB}}(F(E), \pi)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E & \xrightarrow{\psi} & M \\
 1 \downarrow & & \pi \downarrow \\
 E_{\text{ass}} & \xrightarrow{\pi \circ \psi} & \mathcal{A}.
 \end{array} \tag{13}$$

### 2.3. STRUCTURE EQUATION

In this subsection we give the GRB version of the Poisson condition  $[\pi, \pi] = 0$ . In the following, we assume that the base ring  $k$  has  $1/2$ .

We denote the associative structure of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ . We define  $\hat{\mu}$  as the associative multiplication of  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$  by  $\hat{\mu}(a, b) = ab$ ,  $\hat{\mu}(a, n) = a \cdot n$ ,  $\hat{\mu}(m, b) = m \cdot b$  and  $\hat{\mu}(m, n) = 0$ . We set the space:

$$G(\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M) := \bigoplus_{n \geq 1} \text{Hom}((\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M)^{\otimes n}, \mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M).$$

The space  $G(\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M)$  has a bracket product  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  which is called a Gerstenhaber-bracket, or shortly G-bracket (See Appendix for the definition of G-brackets). It is well-known that  $S \in \text{Hom}((\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M)^{\otimes 2}, \mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M)$  is a solution of  $[S, S] = 0$  if and only if  $S$  is an associative multiplication on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ . Hence we have  $[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\mu}] = 0$ . By the graded Jacobi rule of G-bracket,  $d_{\hat{\mu}} := [\hat{\mu}, \cdot]$  becomes a square-zero derivation of degree  $+1$ . By using the derivation, we define the second bracket below. For any  $f, g \in G(\mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M)$ ,

$$[f, g]_{\hat{\mu}} := [d_{\hat{\mu}} f, g] = [[\hat{\mu}, f], g].$$

The bracket,  $[\cdot, \cdot]_{\hat{\mu}}$ , is called a derived bracket (see [13]). The derived bracket is not graded commutative, but it satisfies a graded Leibniz rule.

The derivation of  $\hat{\pi}$  by  $\hat{\mu}$  has the form,

$$[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}] = \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes id) + \hat{\mu}(id \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}.$$

where  $\hat{\pi}$  is defined in Proposition 2.8. The following lemma is the key.

LEMMA 2.13.  $\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\pi} = 0$ .

From this lemma we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} = \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes id) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(id \otimes \hat{\pi}),$$

or explicitly, for any  $(a, m), (b, n) \in \mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}}((a, m), (b, n)) &= \\ &= \hat{\mu}((\pi(m), 0), (\pi(n), 0)) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}((\pi(m), 0), (b, n)) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}((a, m), (\pi(n), 0)) = \\ &= \pi(m)\pi(n) - \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n) - \pi(m \cdot \pi(n)). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

From (14), we obtain the structure equation for GRB-operator.

PROPOSITION 2.14. *A linear map  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a GRB-operator if and only if it is a solution of*

$$\frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} = 0.$$

From the graded Jacobi rule of G-bracket, we obtain the corollaries below.

COROLLARY 2.15. *If  $\pi$  is GRB then  $[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}]$  is an associative structure on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus M$ , and the associative multiplication has the form,*

$$(a, m) *_{\pi} (b, n) := [\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}]((a, m), (b, n)) = (a \cdot_{\pi} n + m \cdot_{\pi} b, mn)$$

where  $mn = \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)$  and  $\cdot_{\pi}$  was defined in Lemma 2.11.

*Proof.* Since  $[[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}], [\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}]] = 0$ , it is an associative structure. For any  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $m, n \in M$ , we obtain

$$[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}](a, m) = \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi}(a) \otimes m) + \hat{\mu}(a \otimes \hat{\pi}(m)) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(a, m) = a\pi(m) - \pi(a \cdot m)$$

and  $[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}](n, b) = \pi(n)b - \pi(n \cdot b)$ . In the same way, we have  $[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}](m, n) = \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)$  and  $[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}](a, b) = 0$ .  $\square$

By above corollary, the proof of Lemma 2.11 is completed.

**COROLLARY 2.16.**  $[\hat{\pi}, \cdot]_{\hat{\mu}}$  is a square zero derivation of degree +1 for the derived bracket.

When  $\pi$  is GRB,  $\hat{\mu} + [\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}]$  is an associative structure, i.e., the pair of associative structures,  $(\hat{\mu}, [\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}])$ , is compatible. This will be extended in Corollary 3.11 below.

### 3. Twisted Rota–Baxter Operators and NS-Algebras

In this section, we will construct the twisted version of Section 2.

The semi-direct product algebra appears as the trivial extension of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $M$ :

$$0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \oplus_0 M \longrightarrow \mathcal{A} \longrightarrow 0. \quad (\text{exact})$$

In general, given an abelian extension, an associative multiplication on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus M$  has the form [15],

$$(a, m) * (b, n) := (ab, a \cdot n + m \cdot b + \phi(a, b)), \quad (15)$$

where  $\phi$  is a Hochschild 2-cocycle in  $C^2(\mathcal{A}, M)$ , i.e.,  $\phi$  is satisfying a cocycle condition of Hochschild:

$$0 = \partial\phi(a, b, c) = a \cdot \phi(b, c) - \phi(ab, c) + \phi(a, bc) - \phi(a, b) \cdot c,$$

where  $\partial$  is Hochschild’s coboundary map and  $a, b, c \in \mathcal{A}$ . We denote an associative algebra  $\mathcal{A} \oplus M$  equipped with the twisted multiplication (15) by  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_\phi M$ .

**DEFINITION 3.1.** Let  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a linear map. We call  $\pi$  a **twisted Rota–Baxter operator**, or simply  **$\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator**, if

$$\pi(m)\pi(n) = \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n)) + \pi\phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)) \quad (16)$$

is satisfied for any  $m, n \in M$ .

Similarly to Lemma 2.7, we consider the graph of  $\pi$ . It is shown that the graph  $L_\pi$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{A} \oplus_\phi M$  if and only if  $\pi$  is a  $\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator. From the isomorphism  $L_\pi \cong M$ , a  $\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator induces an associative multiplication on  $M$ . The induced multiplication on  $M$  has the form,

$$m \times n := \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n) + \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)). \quad (17)$$

It is obvious that  $\pi$  is an algebra homomorphism:  $\pi(m \times n) = \pi(m)\pi(n)$ .

**EXAMPLE 3.2.** Let  $\omega : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be an invertible 1-cochain. Then the inverse  $\omega^{-1}$  is a twisted Rota–Baxter operator, and in this case  $\phi := -\partial\omega$ .

*Proof.* We put  $\pi := \omega^{-1}$ . The condition (16) is equal to

$$\omega(\pi(m)\pi(n)) = \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n) + \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)).$$

This is the same as  $-\pi(m) \cdot n + \omega(\pi(m)\pi(n)) - m \cdot \pi(n) = \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n))$ . Since the coboundary of  $\omega$  is defined by  $\partial\omega(a, b) = a \cdot \omega(b) - \omega(ab) + \omega(a) \cdot b$ , we obtain  $\partial\omega(\pi(m), \pi(n)) = -\phi(\pi(m), \pi(n))$ .  $\square$

**EXAMPLE 3.3.** Assume that  $\mathcal{A}$  is unital. Let  $f : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a  $\mathcal{A}$ -linear surjection. We fix an element  $e \in M$  such that  $f(e) = 1_{\mathcal{A}}$ , where  $1_{\mathcal{A}}$  is the unit element of  $\mathcal{A}$ . A cochain  $\phi(a, b) := -a \cdot e \cdot b$  is a 2-cocycle.  $f$  is a twisted Rota–Baxter:

$$\begin{aligned} f(f(m) \cdot n + m \cdot f(n)) - f(f(m) \cdot e \cdot f(n)) &= \\ &= f(m)f(n) + f(m)f(n) - f(m)1_{\mathcal{A}}f(n) = f(m)f(n). \end{aligned}$$

For instance,  $M = \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$ ,  $f = \mu$  and  $e = x \otimes x^{-1}$ , where  $\mu$  is the associative multiplication and  $x$  is an invertible element.

**EXAMPLE 3.4.**  $\mathcal{A}$  is not necessarily unital. An associative multiplication  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mu(a \otimes b) = ab$  is a twisted Rota–Baxter operator with a cocycle  $\phi(a, b) := -a \otimes b$ .

**EXAMPLE 3.5.** A linear endomorphism  $R : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is called a **Reynolds operator** [18], if the condition

$$R(a)R(b) = R(R(a)b + aR(b)) - R(R(a)R(b))$$

is satisfied for any  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$ . The last term  $-R(a)R(b)$  is the associative multiplication  $-\mu(R(a), R(b))$ , which is the Hochschild 2-cocycle. Thus each Reynolds operator can be seen as twisted Rota–Baxter operator.

In Proposition 2.10, we saw that GRB-operators induce dendriform algebra structures. We show a similar result with respect to twisted Rota–Baxter operators. First we recall the NS-algebras of Leroux [14].

**DEFINITION 3.6.** Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a  $k$ -module equipped with three binary multiplications  $\succ, \prec$  and  $\vee$ .  $\mathcal{T}$  is called a **NS-algebra**, if the following four axioms are satisfied. For any  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{T}$ :

$$(x \prec y) \prec z = x \prec (y \succ z + y \prec z + y \vee z), \tag{18}$$

$$(x \succ y) \prec z = x \succ (y \prec z), \tag{19}$$

$$x \succ (y \succ z) = (x \succ y + x \prec y + x \vee y) \succ z, \tag{20}$$

and

$$x \succ (y \vee z) - (x \times y) \vee z + x \vee (y \times z) - (x \vee y) \prec z = 0, \tag{21}$$

where  $\times$  is defined as  $x \times y := x \succ y + x \prec y + x \vee y$ .

We recall the associative Nijenhuis condition (AN) in the Introduction. In [14], it was shown that if  $N$  is an associative Nijenhuis operator then the multiplications  $x \succ y := N(x)y$ ,  $x \prec y := xN(y)$  and  $x \vee y := -N(xy)$  satisfy the axioms of NS-algebras. The basic property of usual dendriform algebras is satisfied on NS-algebras.

**PROPOSITION 3.7.** [14] *Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a NS-algebra. Then the multiplication  $\times$  above is associative.*

We show that the quantum algebra, or nonclassical algebra, associated with a twisted Rota–Baxter operator is a NS-algebra.

**PROPOSITION 3.8.** *If  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a  $\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator then  $M$  is a NS-algebra by the following three multiplications:*

$$m \succ n := \pi(m) \cdot n, \quad m \prec n := m \cdot \pi(n), \quad m \vee n := \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n))$$

*Proof.* It is easy to check the conditions (18)–(20). We show (21). Since  $\phi$  is a Hochschild cocycle, we have the cocycle condition:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial\phi(\pi(m), \pi(n), \pi(l)) &= \pi(m) \cdot \phi(\pi(n), \pi(l)) - \phi(\pi(m)\pi(n), \pi(l)) + \\ &\quad + \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)\pi(l)) - \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)) \cdot \pi(l) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $m, n, l \in M$ . From the definitions of  $\prec$ ,  $\succ$  and  $\vee$ , we have

$$m \succ (n \vee l) - \phi(\pi(m)\pi(n), \pi(l)) + \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)\pi(l)) - (m \vee n) \prec l = 0. \tag{22}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(m)\pi(n) &= \pi(\pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n) + \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n))) = \\ &= \pi(m \succ n + m \prec n + m \vee n) = \\ &= \pi(m \times n). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we obtain

$$\phi(\pi(m)\pi(n), \pi(l)) = \phi(\pi(m \times n), \pi(l)) = (m \times n) \vee l.$$

In the same way, we have  $\phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)\pi(l)) = \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n \times l)) = m \vee (n \times l)$ . This says that (22) is equal to (21). □

We study a relation between twisted Rota–Baxter operators and NS-algebras. Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a NS-algebra. We denote the associative algebra  $(\mathcal{T}, \times)$  by  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{ass}}$ . A  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{ass}}$ -bimodule structure on  $\mathcal{T}$  is well-defined by  $t \cdot x := t \succ x$  and  $x \cdot t := x \prec t$ , where  $t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{ass}}$ .

**LEMMA 3.9.** *For any  $x, y \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{ass}}$ ,  $\Phi(x, y) := x \vee y$  is a Hochschild cocycle in  $C^2(\mathcal{T}_{\text{ass}}, \mathcal{T})$ .*

*Proof.* The cocycle condition of  $\Phi$  is the same as (21). □

We denote the categories of twisted Rota–Baxter operators and NS-algebra by **TRB** and **NS**, respectively. The objects of **NS** are NS-algebras and the morphisms are the obvious ones. The objects and morphisms of **TRB** are defined by the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\psi_0 \otimes \psi_0} & \mathcal{A}' \otimes \mathcal{A}' \\
 \phi \downarrow & & \phi' \downarrow \\
 M & \xrightarrow{\psi_1} & M' \\
 \pi \downarrow & & \gamma \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\psi_0} & \mathcal{A}'
 \end{array}$$

The compatibility conditions between  $\psi_0$  and  $\psi_1$  are defined by the same way as Section 2.2. From Proposition 3.8, we have a functor  $G$  from **TRB** to **NS**. On the other hand, by Lemma 3.9, if  $\mathcal{T}$  is a NS-algebra then the identity map  $1 : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\text{ass}}$  is a twisted Rota–Baxter operator with the 2-cocycle  $\Phi(x, y) = x \vee y$ . This defines a functor  $F : \mathbf{NS} \rightarrow \mathbf{TRB}$ . We obtain an adjoint relation:

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{TRB}}(F(\mathcal{T}), (\pi, \phi)) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{NS}}(\mathcal{T}, G(\pi, \phi)),$$

where  $(\pi, \phi)$  is an object in **TRB**.

Recall Proposition 2.14. We consider a structure equation for twisted Rota–Baxter operators. For any linear map  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} = \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes id) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(id \otimes \hat{\pi})$$

where  $\hat{\mu}$  was defined in Section 2.3. On the other hand,  $\pi$  is a  $\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator if and only if  $\hat{\pi}$  satisfies

$$\hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(\hat{\pi} \otimes id) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\mu}(id \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) = 0, \tag{23}$$

where  $\hat{\phi}(a, b) := \phi(a, b)$  and  $\hat{\phi} = 0$  all other cases. We recall the notion of twisted Poisson structure (3) in Introduction. It is known that the twisted Poisson condition is equivalent with a modified Maurer–Cartan equation:

$$\frac{1}{2}[\pi, \pi] = -\frac{1}{6}\{\{\phi, \pi\}, \pi\}, \tag{24}$$



where  $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$  is a certain graded Poisson bracket. We give a twisted Rota–Baxter version of (24).

**PROPOSITION 3.10.** *We assume  $\mathbb{Q} \subset k$ . A linear map  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a  $\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator if and only if  $\pi$  is a solution of*

$$\frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} = -\frac{1}{6}[[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}].$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}[[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}] &= [\hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes 1) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(1 \otimes \hat{\pi}), \hat{\pi}] = \\ &= [\hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}), \hat{\pi}] - [\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes 1), \hat{\pi}] - [\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(1 \otimes \hat{\pi}), \hat{\pi}] = \\ &= -\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) - \hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) = \\ &= -3\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\phi}(\hat{\pi} \otimes \hat{\pi}) = -\frac{1}{6}[[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}]$ . From (23), we obtain the desired result.  $\square$

Let  $\pi : M \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be a linear map, not necessarily (twisted-)Rota–Baxter. We define a Hamiltonian vector field of  $\pi$  by the derivation,  $X_{\pi}(\cdot) := [\cdot, \hat{\pi}]$ . The associated Hamiltonian flow is, by definition,

$$\exp(X_{\pi}) := 1 + X_{\pi} + \frac{1}{2!}X_{\pi}^2 + \frac{1}{3!}X_{\pi}^3 + \dots, \tag{25}$$

where the series is convergent, because  $\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\pi} = 0$ .

*Remark 2.* One can directly check that  $\exp(X_{\pi})(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi})$  is again an associative structure and that it is isomorphic to  $\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}$  on  $\mathcal{A} \oplus M$ .

We should determine the structure of  $\exp(X_{\pi})(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi})$ . We have

$$\frac{1}{2!}X_{\pi}^2(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}) = \frac{1}{2!}[[\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}] = \frac{1}{2!}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} + \frac{1}{2!}[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}]$$

and

$$\frac{1}{3!}X_{\pi}^3(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}) = \frac{1}{3!}[[[\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}] = \frac{1}{3!}[[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}],$$

where  $[[[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}] = 0$  is used. Hence we obtain

$$\exp(X_{\pi})(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}) = \hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi} + [\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}] + \frac{1}{2}[\hat{\pi}, \hat{\pi}]_{\hat{\mu}} + \frac{1}{2}[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}] + \frac{1}{6}[[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}],$$

where  $X_{\pi}^I(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi})$  are all zero for any  $4 \leq I$ , because  $\hat{\pi} \circ \hat{\pi} = 0$ . As a corollary of Proposition 3.10, we give

COROLLARY 3.11.  $\pi$  is a  $\phi$ -Rota–Baxter operator if and only if

$$\exp(X_\pi)(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}) = \hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi} + [\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}] + \frac{1}{2}[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}].$$

Then  $\exp(X_\pi)(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi})$  defines an associative multiplication on  $M$  which has the form (17).

*Proof.* For any  $m, n \in M$ , we have

$$\exp(X_\pi)(\hat{\mu} + \hat{\phi})(m, n) = [\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}](m, n) + \frac{1}{2}[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}](m, n),$$

where all other terms are zero. Simply, we obtain

$$[\hat{\mu}, \hat{\pi}](m, n) + \frac{1}{2}[[\hat{\phi}, \hat{\pi}], \hat{\pi}](m, n) = \pi(m) \cdot n + m \cdot \pi(n) + \phi(\pi(m), \pi(n)).$$

□

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### Appendix

Let  $B$  be a  $k$ -module. We set the space of multilinear maps,

$$G(B) := \bigoplus_{n \geq 1} \text{Hom}_k(B^{\otimes n}, B).$$

The degree of  $f \in G(B)$  is  $m$ , if  $f$  is in  $\text{Hom}_k(B^{\otimes m}, B)$ . For any  $f \in \text{Hom}_k(B^{\otimes m}, B)$  and  $g \in \text{Hom}_k(B^{\otimes n}, B)$ , define a binary product  $\bar{\circ}$ :

$$f \bar{\circ} g := \sum_{i=1}^m (-1)^{(i-1)(n-1)} f \circ_i g,$$

where  $\circ_i$  is the composition of maps defined by

$$f \circ_i g(b_1, \dots, b_{m+n}) = f(b_1, \dots, b_{i-1}, g(b_i, \dots, b_{i+n-1}), b_{i+n}, \dots, b_{m+n}).$$

The degree of  $f \bar{\circ} g$  is  $m + n - 1$ . The G-bracket on  $G(B)$  is by definition a graded commutator:

$$[f, g] := f \bar{\circ} g - (-1)^{(m-1)(n-1)} g \bar{\circ} f.$$

We recall two fundamental identities:  $[f, g] = -(-1)^{(m-1)(n-1)}[g, f]$  and

$$(-1)^{(m-1)(l-1)}[[f, g], h] + (-1)^{(l-1)(n-1)}[[h, f], g] + (-1)^{(n-1)(m-1)}[[g, h], f] = 0,$$

where the degree of  $h$  is  $l$ . The above graded Jacobi rule is equivalent with the following graded Leibniz rule.

$$[f, [g, h]] = [[f, g], h] + (-1)^{(m-1)(n-1)}[g, [f, h]].$$

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