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In this chapter we investigate the symmetries that generic holomorphic quantum field theories possess. Our overarching goal is to develop tools for understanding such symmetries that provide a systematic generalization of methods used in chiral conformal field theory on Riemann surfaces, especially for the Kac-Moody and Virasoro vertex algebras [?, ?, ?]. We will utilize the

tools of BV quantization and factorization algebras that have already heavily percolated this thesis. The primordial example of a holomorphic theory we consider is the holomorphic  $\sigma$ -model studied in the previous chapter.

We will focus on two main types of symmetries: holomorphic gauge symmetries and symmetries by holomorphic diffeomorphisms (or holomorphic reparametrizations). An ordinary gauge symmetry is characterized as being local on the spacetime manifold. Each of the types of symmetries we consider share this characteristic, but they also enjoy an additional structure: they are holomorphic (up to homotopy) on the spacetime manifold. This means that they are specific to the type of theories we consider. Moreover, they store more information about the geometry of the underlying manifold as compared to the smooth version of such symmetries.

Infinitesimally speaking, a symmetry is encoded by the action of a Lie algebra. For the holomorphic gauge symmetry this will become a sort of current algebra which is equivalent to holomorphic functions on the complex manifold with values in a Lie algebra. For the holomorphic diffeomorphisms this Lie algebra is that of holomorphic vector fields. Locality implies that this actually extends to a symmetry by a sheafy version of a Lie algebra. The precise sheafy version we mean is called a *local Lie algebra*, which we will recall in the main body of the text. To every local Lie algebra we can assign a factorization algebra through the so-called enveloping factorization algebra:

$$\mathbb{U} : \text{Lie}_X \rightarrow \text{Fact}_X.$$

Here,  $\text{Lie}_X$  is the category of local Lie algebras. By this construction, we see that the Lie algebra of symmetries of a theory define a factorization algebra on the manifold where the theory lives.

One compelling reason for constructing a factorization algebra model for Lie algebras encoding the symmetries of a theory is that it allows one to consider universal versions of such objects. There is a variation of the definition of a factorization algebra that lives, in some sense, on the entire category of manifolds (or complex manifolds). Such a perspective has been developed in great generality by Ayala-Francis in [?]. In the case of the symmetry by a current algebra on Riemann surfaces a universal version of the Kac-Moody has been studied in [?]. For the case of conformal symmetry our work in [?] provides a factorization algebra lift of the ordinary Virasoro vertex algebra that exists uniformly on the site of Riemann surfaces. In this chapter, we extend each of these objects to arbitrary complex dimensions. Our formulation lends itself to an explicit computation of the factorization homology along certain complex manifolds, for which we will focus on a class of examples called *Hopf manifolds*.

Studying such local symmetries involves rich geometric input even at the classical level, but the skeptical mathematician may view this as a repackaging of already familiar objects in complex geometry. The main advantage of working with factorization algebra analogs of such symmetries is in their relationship to studying quantizations of field theories. A similar obstruction deformation theory for studying quantizations of classical field theories also allows us to study the problem of *quantizing* the action of a (local) Lie algebra on a theory. Moreover, we already know that factorization algebras describe the operator product expansion of the observables of a QFT. A formulation of Noether's theorem in Chapter 12 of [?] makes the relationship between the associated factorization algebra corresponding to a symmetry and the factorization algebra of observables of the theory.

Of course, quantizing a symmetry of a field theory may not always exist. In fact, this failure sheds light into subtle field theoretic phenomena of the underlying system. For example, in the case of conformal symmetries of a conformal field theory, the failure is exactly measured by the *central charge* of the theory. It is well established that the central charge is a very important invariant associated to a conformal field theory. At the Lie theoretic level, this failure is measured by a cocycle which in turn defines a central extension of the Lie algebra. It is this central extension that acts on the theory.

For this reason, an essential aspect of studying the local symmetries of holomorphic field theories we mentioned above is to characterize the possible cocycles that give rise to central extensions. As we have already mentioned, for vector fields in complex dimension one this is related to the central charge and the central extension of the Witt algebra (vector fields on the circle) known as the Virasoro Lie algebra. In the case of a current algebra associated to a Lie algebra, central extensions are related to the *level* and the corresponding central extensions are called affine algebras.

**Theorem 0.1.** *The following is true about the local Lie algebras associated to holomorphic diffeomorphisms and holomorphic gauge symmetries.*

- (1) *Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a Lie algebra and  $\mathfrak{g}^X$  is associated current algebra defined on any complex manifold  $X$ . There is an embedding of the cohomology  $H_{Lie}^*(\mathfrak{g}, \text{Sym}^{d+1} \mathfrak{g}^\vee[-d-1])$  inside of the local cohomology of  $\mathfrak{g}^X$ .*
- (2) *There is an isomorphism between the local cohomology of holomorphic vector fields on any complex manifold  $X$  of dimension  $d$  and  $H_{dR}^*(X) \otimes H_{GF}^*(W_d)[2d]$ , where  $H_{GF}^*(W_d)$  is the Gelfand-Fuks cohomology of vector fields on the formal disk.*

The central extensions we are interested in come from classes of degree  $+1$  of the above local Lie algebras. In the case of holomorphic vector fields the result above implies that all such extensions are parametrized by  $H^{2d+1}(W_d)$ . It is a classical result of Fuks [?] that this cohomology is isomorphic to  $H^{2d+2}(BU(d))$ . In complex dimension one this cohomology is one dimensional corresponding to the class  $c_1^2$ . In general, we obtain new classes, which are shown to agree with calculations in the physics literature in dimensions four and six.

In general, any of these cohomology classes define factorization algebras by twisting the enveloping factorization algebra. We especially focus on this construction in the case that the complex  $d$ -fold is equal to affine space  $\mathbb{C}^d$ , or some natural open submanifolds thereof. In the case of the current algebra, our result is compatible with recent work of Kapranov et. al. in [?] where they study higher dimensional versions of affine algebras, and their relationship to the (derived) moduli space of  $G$ -bundles in an analogous way that affine algebras are related to the moduli of bundles on curves via Kac-Moody uniformization. Our second main result shows how to recover these higher affine algebras from our factorization algebra on punctured affine space  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$ , see Theorem 2.2.2.

The extensions of part (1) of Theorem 0.1 are related to cohomology classes in the moduli of  $G$ -bundles on complex  $d$ -folds. We will show how techniques in equivariant BV quantization lead to natural families of QFTs defined over formal neighborhoods in the moduli space of  $G$ -bundles. Our techniques allow us to study quantizations of such families, in particular there

are anomalies to quantization. An explicit analysis of Feynman diagrams leads to a computation of certain classes in the local cohomology which we relate to Chern classes of natural line bundles on  $\text{Bun}_G(X)$ . This leads us to our next main result which is to prove a version of the Grothendieck-Riemann-Roch (GRR) theorem using the aforementioned methods of BV quantization, see Theorem 4.1.

## 1. CURRENT ALGEBRAS ON COMPLEX MANIFOLDS

This paper takes general definitions and constructions from [?] and specializes them to the context of complex manifolds. In this subsection we will review some of the key ideas but refer to [?] for foundational results.

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**1.1. Local Lie algebras.** BW: fix these ... The factorization algebras we study in this paper all arise from Lie algebras that are sufficiently local on the manifold in an analogous way that associative algebras arise from Lie algebras via the universal enveloping construction. ... We recall some definitions that we will use throughout the paper. The first concept we introduce is that of a *local Lie algebra*. This is the central object needed to discuss symmetries of field theories that are local on the spacetime manifold.

A key notion for us is a sheaf of Lie algebras on a smooth manifold. These often appear as infinitesimal automorphisms of geometric objects, and hence as symmetries in classical field theories.

**Definition 1.1.** A *local Lie algebra* on a smooth manifold  $X$  is

- (i) a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded vector bundle  $L$  on  $X$  of finite total rank;
- (ii) a degree 1 operator  $\ell_1 : \mathcal{L}^{sh} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{sh}$  on the sheaf  $\mathcal{L}^{sh}$  of smooth sections of  $L$ , and
- (iii) a degree 0 bilinear operator

$$\ell_2 : \underbrace{\mathcal{L}^{sh} \times \mathcal{L}^{sh}} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{sh}$$

such that  $\ell_1^2 = 0$ ,  $\ell_1$  is a differential operator, and  $\ell_2$  is a bidifferential operator, and

$$\ell_1(\ell_2(x, y)) = \ell_2(\ell_1(x), y) + (-1)^{|x|} \ell_2(x, \ell_1(y))$$

for any sections  $x, y$  of  $\mathcal{L}^{sh}$ . We call  $\ell_1$  the *differential* and  $\ell_2$  the *bracket*.

In other words, a local Lie algebra is a sheaf of dg Lie algebras where the underlying sections are smooth sections of a vector bundle and where the operations are local in the sense of not enlarging support of sections. (As we will see, such Lie algebras often appear by acting naturally on the local functionals from physics, namely functionals determined by Lagrangian densities.)

*Remark 1.2.* We will use  $\mathcal{L}$  to denote the precosheaf of *compactly supported* sections of  $L$ , which assigns a dg Lie algebra to each open set  $U \subset X$ , since the differential and bracket respect support. At times we will abusively refer to  $\mathcal{L}$  to mean the data determining the local Lie algebra, when the support of the sections is not relevant to the discussion at hand.

The key examples for this paper all arise from studying the symmetries of holomorphic principal bundles. We begin with the specific and then examine a modest generalization.

Let  $\pi : P \rightarrow X$  be a holomorphic principal  $G$ -bundle over a complex manifold. We use  $\text{ad}(P) \rightarrow X$  to denote the associated *adjoint bundle*  $P \times^G \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow X$ , where the Borel construction uses adjoint action of  $G$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$  from the left. The complex structure defines a  $(0,1)$ -connection  $\bar{\partial}_P : \Omega^{0,q}(X; \text{ad}(P)) \rightarrow \Omega^{0,q+1}(X; \text{ad}(P))$  on the Dolbeault forms with values in the adjoint bundle, and this connection satisfies  $\bar{\partial}_P^2 = 0$ . Note that the Lie bracket on  $\mathfrak{g}$  induces a pointwise bracket on smooth sections of  $\text{ad}(P)$  by

$$[s, t](x) = [s(x), t(x)]$$

where  $s, t$  are sections and  $x$  is a point in  $X$ . This bracket naturally extends to Dolbeault forms with values in the adjoint bundle, as the Dolbeault forms are a graded-commutative algebra.

**Definition 1.3.** For  $\pi : P \rightarrow X$  a holomorphic principal  $G$ -bundle, let  $\text{Ad}(P)^{\text{sh}}$  denote the local Lie algebra whose sections are  $\Omega^{0,*}(X; \text{ad}(P))$ , whose differential is  $\bar{\partial}_P$ , and whose bracket is the pointwise operation just defined above.

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This construction admits important variations. For example, we can move from working over a fixed manifold  $X$  to working over a site. Let  $\text{Hol}_d$  denote the category whose objects are complex  $d$ -folds and whose morphisms are local biholomorphisms,<sup>1</sup> This category admits a natural Grothendieck topology where a cover  $\{\phi_i : U_i \rightarrow X\}$  means a collection of morphisms into  $X$  such that union of the images is all of  $X$ . It then makes sense to talk about a local Lie algebra on the site  $\text{Hol}_d$ . Here is a particularly simple example that appears throughout the paper.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $G$  be a complex Lie group and let  $\mathfrak{g}$  denote its ordinary Lie algebra. There is a natural functor

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}^{\text{sh}} : \text{Hol}_d^{\text{op}} &\rightarrow \text{dgLie} \\ X &\mapsto \Omega^{0,*}(X) \otimes \mathfrak{g}, \end{aligned}$$

which defines a sheaf of dg Lie algebras. Restricted to each slice  $\text{Hol}_d/X$ , it determines the local Lie algebra for the trivial principal bundle  $G \times X \rightarrow X$ , in the sense described above. We use  $\mathcal{G}$  to denote the cosheaf of compactly supported sections  $\Omega_c^{0,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  on this site.

It is not necessary to start with a complex Lie group: the construction makes sense for a dg Lie algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  of finite total dimension. We lose, however, the interpretation in terms of infinitesimal symmetries of the principal bundle.

In practice, we prefer to work with the compactly supported sections of  $L$ , for which we reserve the more succinct notation  $\mathcal{L}$ . This is a precosheaf of  $L_\infty$  algebras that assigns compactly supported sections of  $L$  to each open of  $X$ .

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<sup>1</sup>A biholomorphism is a bijective map  $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$  such that both  $\phi$  and  $\phi^{-1}$  are holomorphic. A *local* biholomorphism means a map  $\phi : X \rightarrow Y$  such that every point  $x \in X$  has a neighborhood on which  $\phi$  is a biholomorphism.

**1.2. Current algebras as enveloping factorization algebras of local Lie algebras.** Local Lie algebras often appear as symmetries of classical field theories. For instance, as we will show in section [OG: add cross ref](#), each finite-dimensional complex representation  $V$  of a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  determines a charged  $\beta\gamma$ -type system on a complex  $d$ -fold  $X$  with choice of holomorphic principal bundle  $\pi : P \rightarrow X$ . Namely, the on-shell  $\gamma$  fields are holomorphic sections for the associated bundle  $P \times^G V \rightarrow X$ , and the on-shell  $\beta$  fields are holomorphic  $d$ -forms with values in the associated bundle  $P \times^G V^* \rightarrow X$ . It should be plausible that  $Ad(P)^{sh}$  acts as symmetries of this classical field theory, since holomorphic sections of the adjoint bundle manifestly send on-shell fields to on-shell fields.

Such a symmetry determines currents, which we interpret as observables of the classical theory. Note, however, a mismatch: while fields are contravariant in space(time) because fields pull back along inclusions of open sets, observables are covariant because an observable on a smaller region extends to any larger region containing it. The currents, as observables, thus do not form a sheaf but a precosheaf. We introduce the following terminology.

**Definition 1.5.** For a local Lie algebra  $(L \rightarrow X, \ell_1, \ell_2)$ , its precosheaf  $\mathcal{L}[1]$  of *linear currents* is given by taking compactly supported sections of  $L$ .

There are a number of features of this definition that may seem peculiar on first acquaintance. First, we work with  $\mathcal{L}[1]$  rather than  $\mathcal{L}$ . This shift is due to the Batalin-Vilkovisky formalism. In that formalism the observables in the classical field theory possesses a 1-shifted Poisson bracket  $\{-, -\}$  (also known as the antibracket), and so if the current  $J(s)$  associated to a section  $s \in \mathcal{L}$  encodes the action of  $s$  on the observables, i.e.,

$$\{J(s), F\} = s \cdot F,$$

then we need the cohomological degree of  $J(s)$  to be 1 less than the degree of  $s$ . In short, we want a map of dg Lie algebras  $J : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}[-1]$ , or equivalently a map of 1-shifted dg Lie algebras  $J : \mathcal{L}[1] \rightarrow \text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}$ , where  $\text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}$  denotes the algebra of classical observables.

Second, we use the term “linear” here because the product of two such currents is not in  $\mathcal{L}[1]$  itself, although such a product will exist in the larger precosheaf  $\text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}$  of observables. In other words, if we have a Noether map of dg Lie algebras  $J : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}[-1]$ , it extends to a map of 1-shifted Poisson algebras

$$J : \text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1]) \rightarrow \text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}$$

as  $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1])$  is the 1-shifted Poisson algebra freely generated by the 1-shifted dg Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}[1]$ . We hence call  $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}[1])$  the *enveloping 1-shifted Poisson algebra* of a dg Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ .<sup>2</sup>

For any particular field theory, the currents generated by the symmetry for *that* theory are given by the image of this map  $J$  of 1-shifted Poisson algebras. To study the general structure of such currents, without respect to a particular theory, it is natural to study this enveloping algebra by itself.

**Definition 1.6.** For a local Lie algebra  $(L \rightarrow X, \ell_1, \ell_2)$ , its precosheaf  $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1])$  of *classical currents* is given by taking the enveloping 1-shifted Poisson algebra of the compactly supported sections of  $L$ .

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We emphasize here that we mean by  $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1])$  *not* the symmetric algebra in the purely algebraic sense, but rather a construction that takes into account the extra structures on sections of vector bundles (e.g., the topological vector space structure). Explicitly, the  $n$ th symmetric power  $\text{Sym}^n(\mathcal{L}[1])$  means the smooth, compactly supported, and  $S_n$ -invariant sections of the graded vector bundle

$$L[1]^{\boxtimes n} \rightarrow X^n.$$

For further discussion of functional analytic aspects (which play no tricky role in our work here), see [?], notably the appendices.

A key result of [?], namely Theorem 5.6.0.1, is that this precosheaf of currents forms a factorization algebra. From hereon we refer to  $\text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1])$  as the *factorization algebra of classical currents*.

There is a quantum counterpart to this construction, in the Batalin-Vilkovisky formalism. The idea is that for a dg Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , the enveloping 1-shifted Poisson algebra  $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}[1])$  admits a natural BV quantization via the Chevalley-Eilenberg chains  $C_*(\mathfrak{g})$ . This assertion is transparent by examining the Chevalley-Eilenberg differential:

$$d_{CE}(xy) = d_{\mathfrak{g}}(x)y \pm x d_{\mathfrak{g}}(y) + [x, y]$$

for  $x, y$  elements of  $\mathfrak{g}[1]$ . The first two terms behave like a derivation of  $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}[1])$ , and the last term agrees with the shifted Poisson bracket. More accurately, to keep track of the  $\hbar$ -dependency in quantization, we introduce a kind of Rees construction. **OG: cross ref stuff with Rune and the other paper**

**Definition 1.7.** The *enveloping BD algebra*  $U^{BD}(\mathfrak{g})$  of a dg Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  is given by the graded-commutative algebra in  $\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]$ -modules

$$\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}[1])[[\hbar]] \cong \text{Sym}_{\mathbb{C}[[\hbar]]}(\mathfrak{g}[[\hbar]][1]),$$

but the differential is defined as a coderivation with respect to the natural graded-cocommutative coalgebra structure, by the condition

$$d(xy) = d_{\mathfrak{g}}(x)y \pm x d_{\mathfrak{g}}(y) + \hbar[x, y].$$

This construction determines a BV quantization of the enveloping 1-shifted Poisson algebra, as can be verified directly from the definitions. (For further discussion see [?] and [?].) It is also straightforward to extend this construction to “quantize” the factorization algebra of classical currents.

**Definition 1.8.** For a local Lie algebra  $(L \rightarrow X, \ell_1, \ell_2)$ , its *factorization algebra of quantum currents* is given by taking the enveloping 1-shifted BD algebra of the compactly supported sections of  $L$ .

As mentioned just after the definition of the classical currents, the symmetric powers here mean the construction involving sections of the external tensor product. Specializing  $\hbar = 1$ , we recover the following construction.

**Definition 1.9.** For a local Lie algebra  $(L \rightarrow X, \ell_1, \ell_2)$ , its *enveloping factorization algebra* is given by taking the Chevalley-Eilenberg chains  $C_*(\mathcal{L})$  of the compactly supported sections of  $L$ .

Here the symmetric powers use sections of the external tensor powers, just as with the classical or quantum currents.

When a local Lie algebra acts as symmetries of a classical field theory, it sometimes also lifts to symmetries of a BV quantization. In that case the map  $J : \text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1]) \rightarrow \text{Obs}^{\text{cl}}$  of 1-shifted Poisson algebras lifts to a cochain map  $J^{\natural} : \text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}[1]) \rightarrow \text{Obs}^{\natural}$  realizing quantum currents as quantum observables. Sometimes, however, the classical symmetries do not lift directly to quantum symmetries. We now turn to discussing the natural home for the obstructions to such lifts.

**1.3. Local cocycles and shifted extensions.** OG: I think we should shift the emphasis: we want to identify interesting shifted central extensions, and the Gelfand-Fuks cohomology provides them via local cocycles.

In this section we describe the cohomology of the local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$ . As we have already encountered many times in this thesis, the cohomology we are interested in consists of those functionals on the local Lie algebra that are *local*. From the perspective of local Lie algebras, one appealing aspect of this class of functionals is that they give rise to local Lie algebra extensions of the current algebra. These extensions will appear when we quantize holomorphic gauge symmetries.

In Section ?? we have introduced the local cohomology of a local Lie algebra, but we briefly recall it here. The basic idea is that a local cochain is a functional on the local Lie algebra obtained by integrating a polydifferential operator applied to an element in the local Lie algebra. If  $L$  is a graded vector bundle, let  $JL$  denote the corresponding  $\infty$ -jet bundle. If  $L$  is the underlying vector bundle of a local Lie algebra then  $JL$  has the structure of a bundle of Lie algebras. Thus, we may consider its reduced Chevalley-Eilenberg cochain complex  $C_{\text{Lie,red}}^*(JL)$ <sup>3</sup>. For any vector bundle  $JL$  has the structure of a  $D_X$ -module. In the case of a local Lie algebra,  $JL$  is a Lie algebra object in  $D_X$ -modules. Thus,  $C_{\text{Lie}}^*(JL)$  is a commutative dg algebra in  $D_X$ -modules. The local cochain complex is obtained by tensoring the right  $D_X$ -modules of densities on  $X$  over  $D_X$  with this  $D_X$ -module.

**Definition 1.10.** Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a local Lie algebra on  $X$ . The local cohomology of  $\mathcal{L}$  is defined as

$$C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{L}) = \Omega_X^{d,d} \otimes_{D_X} C_{\text{Lie,red}}^*(JL).$$

This is a sheaf of cochain complexes on  $X$  whose global sections we will denote by  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{L}(X))$ .

We note that the cochain complex of local functionals is a subcomplex of  $C_{\text{Lie,red}}^*(\mathcal{L}(X))$ , the reduced Lie algebra cochains of the global sections  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ . The differential on local functionals is, in essence, just precomposition with the polydifferentials defining the brackets of  $\mathcal{L}$ . Altogether  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{L})$  is just a version of diagonal Gelfand-Fuks cohomology [?, ?] for this kind of Lie algebra. We will discuss this further when we approach the local Lie algebra of holomorphic vector fields.

In ordinary Lie theory, central extensions are parametrized by cocycles on the Lie algebra valued in the trivial module. Similarly, local cocycles define central extensions of local Lie algebras.

**Definition 1.11.** A cocycle  $\Theta$  of degree  $2 + k$  in  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{L})$  determines a *k-shifted central extension*

$$(1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[k] \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{\Theta} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \rightarrow 0$$

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<sup>3</sup>A local functional will always be defined modulo constants, hence we look at reduced cochains.



of precosheaves of  $L_\infty$  algebras, where the  $L_\infty$  structure maps are defined by

$$\widehat{\ell}_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (\ell_n(x_1, \dots, x_n), \Theta(x_1, \dots, x_n)).$$

Cohomologous cocycles determine quasi-isomorphic extensions of precosheaves of Lie algebras. Much of the rest of the section is devoted to constructing and analyzing various cocycles and the resulting extensions.

Local cocycles give a direct way of deforming the enveloping factorization algebra of a local Lie algebra. Suppose that we have a local cocycle  $\Theta \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{L})$  is of cohomological degree  $+1$ . We define the *twisted enveloping factorization algebra* to be the factorization algebra sending the open set  $U \subset X$  to the cochain complex

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{U}_\Theta(\mathcal{L})(U) &= (\text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}(U)[1] \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot K), d_{\mathcal{L}} + K \cdot \Theta) \\ &= (\text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}(U)[1])[K], d_{\mathcal{L}} + K \cdot \Theta), \end{aligned}$$

where  $d_{\mathcal{L}}$  denotes the differential on the untwisted enveloping factorization algebra applied to  $U$  and  $\Theta$  is the operator on the symmetric algebra extending the cocycle  $\Theta : \text{Sym}(\mathcal{L}(U)[1]) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cdot K$  by demanding that it is a graded derivation. Here,  $K$  is a formal algebraic parameter. We denote this twisted enveloping factorization algebra by  $\mathbb{U}_\Theta(\mathcal{L})$ . We will consider this as a factorization algebra valued in the symmetric monoidal category of chain complexes that are linear over the commutative ring  $\mathbb{C}[K]$ . Specialization at certain values of  $K$  yields an ordinary factorization algebra.

**1.3.1. The  $J$  functional.** There is a particular family of local cocycles that has special importance in studying symmetries of higher dimensional holomorphic gauge theories.

Let us recall the familiar complex one-dimensional case that we wish to extend. Let  $\Sigma$  be a Riemann surface, and let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a simple Lie algebra with Killing form  $\kappa$ . Consider the local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_\Sigma = \Omega_c^{0,*}(\Sigma) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  on  $\Sigma$ . There is a natural cocycle depending precisely on two inputs:

$$\theta(\alpha \otimes M, \beta \otimes N) = \kappa(M, N) \int_\Sigma \alpha \wedge \partial \beta,$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega_c^{0,*}(\Sigma)$  and  $M, N \in \mathfrak{g}$ . In Chapter 5 of [?] it is shown how the twisted enveloping factorization of  $\mathcal{G}_X$  via this cocycle recovers the Kac-Moody vertex algebra and the affine algebra extending  $L\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}]$ .

We are interested in a generalization of this construction that makes sense in arbitrary dimensions. Let  $\theta$  be an invariant polynomial on  $\mathfrak{g}$  of homogenous degree  $d+1$ . That is,  $\theta$  is an element of  $\text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$ . For any complex  $d$ -fold  $X$  we can extend  $\theta$  to a functional  $J_X(\theta)$  on the compactly supported Dolbeault complex  $\Omega_c^{0,*}(X) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  by the formula

$$(2) \quad J_X(\theta)(\omega_0 \otimes Y_0, \dots, \omega_d \otimes Y_d) = \theta(Y_0, \dots, Y_d) \int_X \omega_0 \wedge \partial \omega_1 \cdots \wedge \partial \omega_d.$$

Note that we use  $d$  copies of the holomorphic derivative  $\partial : \Omega^{0,*} \rightarrow \Omega^{1,*}$  to obtain an element of  $\Omega_c^{d,*}$  in the integrand (and hence something that can be integrated). If we extend  $\theta$  to a functional on the Dolbeault complex in the natural way

$$\theta : \Omega^{*,*}(X)^{\otimes d+1} \rightarrow \Omega^{*,*}(X)$$

then we can write the cocycle more succinctly as  $J_X(\theta)(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_d) = \int_X \theta(\alpha_0, \partial \alpha_1, \dots, \partial \alpha_d)$ .

This formula clearly makes sense for any complex  $d$ -fold  $X$ , and since integration is local on  $X$ , it intertwines nicely with the structure maps of  $\mathcal{G}_X$ .

**Proposition 1.12.** *For any complex  $d$ -fold  $X$  and invariant polynomial  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$ , the functional  $J_X(\theta)$  is a local functional in  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G}_X)$ . In fact, the assignment*

$$J_X : \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}[-1] \rightarrow C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G}_X) \quad , \quad \theta \mapsto J_X(\theta)$$

*is an cochain map.*

*Proof.* The functional  $J_X(\theta)$  is local as it is expressed as the integral of a multilinear map composed with a product of differential operators. We need to show that  $J_X(\theta)$  is closed for the differential on  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G}_X)$ . The total differential splits as a sum  $\bar{\partial} + d_{\mathfrak{g}}$  where  $\bar{\partial}$  denotes the induced  $\bar{\partial}$  differential on functionals and  $d_{CE}$  is constructed from the Lie bracket on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\partial} J_X(\theta) &= 0 \\ d_{CE} J_X(\theta) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The first line follows from the fact that  $\bar{\partial}$  and  $\partial$  are graded commutative. The differential  $d_{CE}$  is obtained from the differential in the Chevalley-Eilenberg complex of  $\mathfrak{g}$  in a natural way. The second line follows from the fact that the homogenous polynomial  $\theta : \mathfrak{g} \times \cdots \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is closed in the Chevalley-Eilenberg complex for  $\mathfrak{g}$ .  $\square$

Having the fundamental construction of the cocycle down, we discuss two modest extensions of the construction. First is to consider an arbitrary  $G$ -bundle  $P$  on  $X$ . Suppose  $\text{ad}(P)$  is trivialized over an open set  $U \subset X$ . On this open set, we can write an element  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}d(P)(U) = \Omega_c^{0,*}(U, \text{ad}(P))$  as  $\alpha = \omega \otimes X$  where  $\omega \in \Omega_c^{0,*}(X)$  and  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ . Thus, the formula above for  $J_X(\theta)$  still makes sense on  $\mathcal{A}d(P)(U)$ . Since the expression for the cocycle is clearly independent of the choice of a coordinate it glues to define a global section. Thus, for any principal bundle we have a cochain map

$$J_X^P : \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}[-1] \rightarrow C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{A}d(P)(X))$$

given by the same formula as in (2).

1.3.2. *Relation to Chern-Weil theory.* **OG: I can't quite put my finger on what the main assertion is in this section. Is it relevant to anything else? Something along these lines might fit more naturally in the context of the anomaly section.**

If  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the Lie algebra of a group  $G$ , there is an interpretation of the space of extensions  $\text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$  in terms of  $G$ . Let  $\Omega_G^j$  denote the sheaf of  $j$ -forms on  $G$ .

**Theorem 1.13.** [?] *Let  $G$  be a Lie group (such as  $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{C})$  or  $U(n)$ ). Then, there is an isomorphism*

$$H^i(G, \Omega_G^j) \cong H_c^{i-j}(G, \text{Sym}^j(\mathfrak{g}^*)).$$

*Where the right-hand site denotes the continuous group cohomology.*

**Remark 1.14.** The theorem above also holds integrally, as shown in [?].

The continuous group cohomology satisfies  $H_c^k(G, \text{Sym}^j(\mathfrak{g}^*)) = 0$  for  $k > 0$  and  $H_c^0(G, \text{Sym}^j(\mathfrak{g}^*)) = \text{Sym}^j(\mathfrak{g}^*)^G$ . Thus, the cohomology is supported along the diagonal and one has  $H^k(G, \Omega_G^k) = \text{Sym}^k(\mathfrak{g}^*)^G$ .

This relationship is compatible with the classical construction of characteristic classes from invariant polynomials using Chern-Weil theory. The Hodge-to-de Rham spectral sequence for the Lie group  $G$  has  $E_1$  page of the form  $H^i(G, \Omega^j)$  and converges to the de Rham cohomology  $H^*(BG)$ . Since the cohomology is supported along the diagonal on the  $E_1$  page there is a resulting map

$$\text{Sym}^j(\mathfrak{g}^*)^G \rightarrow H^*(BG).$$

This is the usual Chern-Weil map defining the universal characteristic classes for  $G$ -bundles. It is an isomorphism when  $G$  is compact.

*Remark 1.15.* When  $\mathfrak{g}$  is an arbitrary dg Lie algebra, or more generally an  $L_\infty$  algebra, we have encountered a version of  $J_X(\theta)$  in Section ?? . We showed that for any  $L_\infty$  algebra there is a map of cochain complexes  $J : \Omega_{cl}^{d+1}(B\mathfrak{g})[d] \rightarrow C_{loc}^*(\mathcal{G}_X)$ . The expression for  $J_X$  in (2) is an explicit formula for this construction in the case that  $\mathfrak{g}$  is an ordinary Lie algebra. Indeed, when  $\mathfrak{g}$  is an ordinary Lie algebra we have  $H^{d+1}(\Omega_{cl}^{d+1}(B\mathfrak{g})) = \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g}$ , so the construction in Section ?? is a special case.

**1.3.3. Holomorphic translation invariance.** On the complex  $d$ -fold  $X = \mathbb{C}^d$  the local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d}$  is holomorphically translation invariant, see Section ?? . Thus, it makes sense to consider cocycles on this local Lie algebra that are also holomorphically translation invariant.

In fact, on  $X = \mathbb{C}^d$  the functional  $J_{\mathbb{C}^d}$  gives us the following complete description of a natural subcomplex of local cochains. On  $\mathbb{C}^d$  exists a natural action by the group  $U(d)$ , where  $U(d)$  acts in the defining way on  $\mathbb{C}^d$ . Moreover, there since  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d}$  is built from the Dolbeault complex on  $\mathbb{C}^d$  there is an action of the dg Lie algebra  $\mathbb{C}^{2d|d}$  controlling holomorphic translations, see Section ?? . For each  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g}$  the functional  $J_{\mathbb{C}^d}(\theta)$  is invariant for  $U(d)$  and  $\mathbb{C}^{2d|d}$ . In fact, this describes up to quasi-isomorphism all such functionals.

**Proposition 1.16.** *The map  $J_{\mathbb{C}^d} : \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g}[-1] \rightarrow C_{loc}^*(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d})$  factors through the subcomplex of local cochains that are holomorphically translation invariant and invariant for the group  $U(d)$  to define a quasi-isomorphism*

$$J_{\mathbb{C}^d} : \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g}[-1] \xrightarrow{\sim} \left( C_{loc}^*(\mathcal{G}(\mathbb{C}^d)) \mathbb{C}^{2d|d} \right)^{U(d)}$$

This is a special case of Proposition ?? in the case that  $\mathfrak{g}$  is an ordinary Lie algebra. We refer the reader to that section for details.

**1.4. The Kac-Moody factorization algebra.** Finally, we can define the central object of this paper.

**Definition 1.17.** Let  $X$  be any complex manifold of dimension  $d$  equipped with a principal  $G$ -bundle  $P$ . Moreover, suppose  $\Theta \in C_{loc}^*(\text{Ad}(P))$  is a local cocycle of degree  $+1$ . The *Kac-Moody factorization algebra* on  $X$  of type  $\Theta$  is the twisted enveloping factorization algebra whose value on an open set  $U \subset X$  is

$$\mathbb{U}_\Theta(\text{Ad}(P))(U) = \left( \text{Sym} \left( \Omega_c^{0,*}(U, \text{ad}(P))[1] \right) [K], \bar{\partial} + d_{CE} + \Theta \right).$$

As shorthand, for  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$ , we use  $\mathbb{U}_{\theta}(\mathcal{A}d(P))$  for  $\mathbb{U}_{J_X^p(\theta)}(\mathcal{A}d(P))$ .

*Remark 1.18.* As in the definition of twisted enveloping factorization algebras above, the factorization algebras  $\mathbb{U}_{\theta}(\mathcal{A}d(P))$  take values in dg modules for the ring  $\mathbb{C}[K]$ . In keeping with conventions above, when  $P$  is the trivial bundle on  $X$  we will denote the Kac-Moody factorization algebra by  $\mathbb{U}_{\theta}(\mathcal{G}_X)$ .

*Remark 1.19.* For fixed  $\theta$  the cocycle  $J_X(\theta)$  is more-or-less independent of the complex manifold  $X$ . In this way, the factorization algebra  $\mathbb{U}_{\theta}(\mathcal{G})$  actually defines a factorization algebra on the entire *category* of complex manifolds of a fixed dimension. We will not explore this type of *universal* factorization algebra here, but leave it to future work.

In the case  $d = 1$  the definition above agrees with the Kac-Moody factorization algebra on Riemann surfaces given in [?]. There, they show that the factorization algebra specialized to the complex manifold  $\mathbb{C}$  defines a vertex algebra isomorphic to that of the ordinary Kac-Moody vertex algebra. Thus, we think of the object  $\mathbb{U}_{\theta}(\mathcal{A}d(P))$  as a higher dimensional version of the Kac-Moody vertex algebra.

## 2. LOCAL ASPECTS OF THE HIGHER KAC-MOODY FACTORIZATION ALGEBRAS

The theory of factorization algebras we study here, and whose foundations have been laid out in [?], is largely motivated by the study of chiral algebras due to Beilinson and Drinfeld [?]. Part of their original goal was to develop a geometric counterpart to the algebraic theory of vertex algebras. In [?] the relationship between factorization algebras on vertex algebras has been made completely explicit.

Every holomorphically translation invariant factorization algebra on the complex manifold  $X = \mathbb{C}$  determines the structure of a vertex algebra. The underlying vector space, or state space, of the vertex algebra is given by the value of the factorization algebra assigns to a disk  $D \subset \mathbb{C}$ . The operator product expansion is encoded by the factorization product of configurations of disjoint disks inside of larger disks. It is shown that the Kac-Moody factorization algebra  $\mathbb{U}_{\kappa}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}})$  on  $\mathbb{C}$ , where  $\kappa$  is a symmetric invariant bilinear form, recovers the Kac-Moody vertex algebra in this way. The factorization algebras we consider are often much larger than the more algebraic objects that we wish to compare to. In order to extract the structure of a vertex algebra, one must also assume that the factorization algebra is equivariant for the circle  $S^1$  generating rotations in  $\mathbb{C}$ . To go from a factorization algebra to the underlying state space  $\mathcal{V}$  of the vertex algebra one takes the direct sum of all  $S^1$ -eigenspaces under this action. See Theorem 5.2.3.1 of [?] for more details.

The fundamental structure we want contemplate in higher dimensions comes from considering the factorization product for different flavors of configurations of open sets. We recall the one-dimensional story now. Suppose that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a holomorphically translation invariant factorization algebra on  $\mathbb{C}$ , and that  $\mathcal{F}$  is equivariant for rotations  $S^1$ .

- (1) The first configuration is that of two (or possibly greater than two) disjoint annuli  $\text{Ann}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  of the same center that include inside of a larger annulus  $\text{Ann}_{big}$  of the same center. The factorization structure map is of the form

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{F}(\text{Ann}_1) \otimes \mathcal{F}(\text{Ann}_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\text{Ann}_{big}).$$

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the subspace equal to the direct sum of all  $S^1$ -eigenspaces of  $\mathcal{F}(\text{Ann})$  where  $\text{Ann}$  is any annulus. One can show that  $\mathcal{A}$  is independent, up to quasi-isomorphism, of the annulus chosen and that the structure map (3) endows  $\mathcal{A}$  with the structure of an associative algebra. Thus, part of the factorization algebra structure defines an associative algebra.

- (2) Consider a disk  $D$  that is completely encircled by an annulus  $\text{Ann}$ . Further, these disjoint open sets embed inside of a bigger disk  $D_{\text{big}}$  of the same center. The structure map is of the form

$$(4) \quad \mathcal{F}(\text{Ann}) \otimes \mathcal{F}(D) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(D_{\text{big}}).$$

We already mentioned that the state space  $\mathcal{V}$  is obtained by taking the direct sum of all  $S^1$ -eigenspaces of  $\mathcal{F}(D)$ . Just as in the case of an annulus,  $\mathcal{V}$  is independent (up to quasi-isomorphism) of the radius and position of the disk. The structure map (4) endows  $\mathcal{V}$  with the structure of a module over the algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ . Thus, the other piece of structure we extract from a holomorphically translation invariant factorization algebra is that of a module  $\mathcal{V}$  over  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Often times, as is the case for enveloping vertex algebras, the data of (1), (2) is enough to nail down the vertex algebra structure uniquely. In this section, we will first focus on generalizing the structure in (1) to the holomorphically translation invariant factorization algebra  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d}$ . We will find the structure of an associative (really  $E_1$  or  $A_\infty$ ) algebra. Next, we will identify the module structure as in (2) of the higher dimensional "state" space of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra. We will find many analogies with the ordinary vertex algebra case, and it is our hope that we will be able to extract from our work a concise algebraic formulation of "higher dimensional vertex algebras" in future work.

The annular algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  that we just discussed in the complex one-dimensional case has a generalization to arbitrary dimensions. The higher dimensional versions of annuli we consider are given by open sets equal to neighborhoods of  $(2d-1)$ -spheres. In this section we describe the higher dimensional version of this annular algebra for the Kac-Moody factorization algebra. This amounts to specializing the factorization algebra to the complex manifold  $X = \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  and extracting the data of an  $A_\infty$ -algebra from the factorization product in the radial direction. The reduction of the factorization algebra along  $S^{2d-1} \subset \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  produces a one-dimensional factorization algebra via pushing forward along the radial projection map  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . Embedded inside of this factorization algebra is a locally constant factorization algebra, which will define for us our  $A_\infty$ -algebra. Furthermore, we show how the factorization product of disks with higher dimensional annuli provide the structure a  $(A_\infty)$ -module on the value of the factorization algebra on the disk.

We will recognize this  $A_\infty$ -algebra as the universal enveloping algebra of an  $L_\infty$  algebra which is obtained as a central extension of an algebraic version of the sphere algebra

$$(5) \quad \text{Map}(S^{2d-1}, \mathfrak{g}).$$

When  $d = 1$  there is an embedding  $\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}] \hookrightarrow C^\infty(S^1) \otimes \mathfrak{g} = \text{Map}(S^1, \mathfrak{g})$ , induced by the embedding of algebraic functions on punctured affine line inside of smooth functions on  $S^1$ . The affine

algebras are given by extensions of algebraic loop algebra  $\mathcal{O}^{alg}(\mathbb{A}^{1\times}) = \mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}]$  prescribed by a 2-cocycle involving the algebraic residue pairing. Note that this cocycle is *not* pulled back from any cocycle on  $\mathcal{O}^{alg}(\mathbb{A}^1) \otimes \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}[z]$ .

When  $d > 1$  Hartog's theorem implies that the space of holomorphic functions on punctured affine space is the same as the space of holomorphic functions on affine space. The same holds for algebraic functions, so that  $\mathcal{O}^{alg}(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}) \otimes \mathfrak{g} = \mathcal{O}^{alg}(\mathbb{A}^d) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ . In particular, the naive algebraic replacement  $\mathcal{O}^{alg}(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  of (5) has no interesting central extensions. However, as opposed to the punctured line, the punctured affine space  $\mathbb{A}^{d\times}$  has interesting higher cohomology.

The key idea is that we replace the commutative algebra  $\mathcal{O}^{alg}(\mathbb{A}^{d\times})$  by the derived space of sections  $\mathbb{R}\Gamma(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}, \mathcal{O})$ . This complex has interesting cohomology and leads to nontrivial extensions of the dg Lie algebra  $\mathbb{R}\Gamma(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}, \mathcal{O}) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ . Concretely, we will use a dg model  $A_d$  for  $\mathbb{R}\Gamma(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}, \mathcal{O})$  due to [?] that is an algebraic analog of the tangential Dolbeault complex of the  $(2d-1)$ -sphere inside of the Dolbeault complex of  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$ :

$$\Omega_b^{0,*}(S^{2d-1}) \subset \Omega_b^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}).$$

See [?] for details on the definition of  $\Omega_b^{0,*}(S^{2d-1})$ . The degree zero part of  $\Omega_b^{0,*}(S^{2d-1})$  is  $C^\infty(S^{2d-1})$ , so we can view  $A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  as a derived enhancement of the mapping space in (5).

The model  $A_d$ , by definition, has cohomology equal to the cohomology of  $\mathbb{R}\Gamma(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}, \mathcal{O})$ . In [?] they have studied a class of cocycles associated to elements  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$  that are algebraic analogs of the local cocycles we introduced in the previous section. The cocycle is of total cohomological degree +2 and so determines a central extension of  $A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  that we denote  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}$ . Our first main result is that our “higher annular algebra” of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra from the discussion above recovers this Lie algebra extension.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{F}_{1d}$  be the one-dimensional factorization algebra obtained by the reduction of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra  $\mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}})$  along the sphere  $S^{2d-1} \subset \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$ . There is a dense subfactorization algebra  $\mathcal{F}_{1d}^{lc} \subset \mathcal{F}_{1d}$  that is locally constant. As a one-dimensional locally constant factorization algebra,  $\mathcal{F}_{1d}^{lc}$  is equivalent to the higher affine algebra  $U(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta})$ .*

In the final part of this section we specialize to the manifold  $X = (\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})^d$ . Note that when  $d = 1$  this is the same as the algebra above, but for  $d > 1$  this factorization algebra has a different flavor. We will show how to extract the data of an  $E_d$ -algebra from this configuration, and discuss its role in the theory of higher dimensional vertex algebras.

**2.1. Derived functions on punctured affine space.** The affine algebra associated to a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  together with an invariant pairing  $\kappa$  is defined as a central extension of the loop algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$

$$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_\kappa \rightarrow L\mathfrak{g}$$

where we use the algebraic loop algebra  $L\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}]$ . The central extension is determined by the cocycle

$$(f \otimes X, g \otimes Y) \mapsto \oint f dg \kappa(X, Y).$$

A natural generalization of the loop algebra is to generalize the circle  $S^1$ , which is equal to the units in  $\mathbb{C}$ , by the sphere  $S^{2d-1}$ , which is equal to the units in  $\mathbb{C}^d$ . That is, we take the “sphere algebra” of maps from  $S^{2d-1}$  into  $\mathfrak{g}$ . For topologists, this direction might seem natural, but it

may not seem too natural from the perspective of algebraic geometry. In particular, an algebro-geometric sphere is given by a punctured affine  $d$ -space  $\mathbb{A}^{d\times} = \mathbb{A}^d \setminus \{0\}$  or a punctured formal  $d$ -disk, but every map from these spaces to  $\mathfrak{g}$  extends to a map from  $\mathbb{A}^d$  or the formal  $d$ -disk into  $\mathfrak{g}$  (essentially, by Hartog's lemma). Thus, this direction seems fruitless, since naively there would be no interesting central extensions. The key to evading this issue is to work with the *derived* space of maps. Indeed, the sheaf cohomology of  $\mathcal{O}$  on the punctured affine  $d$ -space is interesting.

This fact ought not to be too surprising: as a smooth manifold, punctured affine  $d$ -space is equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}_{>0} \times S^{2d-1}$ , and this equivalence manifests itself in the cohomology of the structure sheaf. Explicitly,

$$H^*(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}, \mathcal{O}^{alg}) = \begin{cases} 0, & * \neq 0, d-1 \\ \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_d], & * = 0 \\ \mathbb{C}[z_1^{-1}, \dots, z_d^{-1}] \frac{1}{z_1 \cdots z_d}, & * = d-1 \end{cases}$$

as one can show by direct computation (e.g., use the cover by the affine opens of the form  $\mathbb{A}^d \setminus \{z_i = 0\}$ ). When  $d = 1$ , this recovers the usual Laurent series; and it is natural to view the above as the higher-dimensional analogue of the Laurent series, with the polar part now in degree  $d - 1$ .

Hence, the derived global sections  $\mathrm{R}\Gamma(\mathbb{A}^{d\times}, \mathcal{O})$  of  $\mathcal{O}$  provide a homotopy-commutative algebra, and thus one obtains a homotopy-Lie algebra by tensoring with  $\mathfrak{g}$ , which we will call the sphere Lie algebra by analogy with the loop Lie algebra. One can then study central extensions of this homotopy-Lie algebra, which are analogous to the affine Kac-Moody Lie algebras. For explicit constructions, it is convenient to have a commutative dg algebra that models the derived global sections. It should be no surprise that we like to work with the Dolbeault complex. We will use this approach to relate the sphere Lie algebra and its extensions to the current algebras that we've already introduced.

An explicit dg model  $A_d$  for the derived global sections has been written down in [?] based on the Jouanolou method for resolving singularities. We have recalled its definition in Appendix ??.

We are interested in the dg Lie algebra  $A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ . For any  $d$  and symmetric function  $\theta \in \mathrm{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$ , in [?] they define the cocycle

$$(6) \quad \theta_{FHK} : (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})^{\otimes(d+1)} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad , \quad a_0 \cdots a_d \mapsto \mathrm{Res}_{z=0} \theta(a_0, da_1, \dots, da_d),$$

where  $d$  is the algebraic de Rham differential. It is immediate that this cocycle has cohomological degree  $+2$  and so determines a(n) (unshifted) dg Lie algebra central extension of  $A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ :

$$(7) \quad \mathbb{C} \cdot K \rightarrow \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta} \rightarrow A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}.$$

Our aim is to show how the Kac-Moody factorization algebra is related to this dg Lie algebra.

**2.2. Compactifying the higher Kac-Moody algebras along spheres.** We consider the restriction of the factorization algebra  $\mathbb{U}_\theta(\mathcal{G})$  on  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  to the collection of open sets diffeomorphic to spherical shells. This restriction has the structure of a one-dimensional factorization algebra corresponding to the iterated nesting of spherical shells. We show that there is a dense subfactorization algebra that is locally constant, hence corresponds to an  $E_1$  algebra. We conclude by identifying an  $A_\infty$  model for this algebra as the universal enveloping algebra of a certain  $L_\infty$  algebra, that agree with the higher dimensional affine algebras.

Introduce the radial projection map

$$\rho : \mathbb{C}^d \setminus 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$$

sending  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_d)$  to  $|z| = \sqrt{|z_1|^2 + \dots + |z_d|^2}$ . We will restrict our factorization algebra to spherical shells by pushing forward the factorization algebra along this map. Indeed, the preimage of an open interval is such a spherical shell, and the factorization product on the line is equivalent to the nesting of shells.

**2.2.1. The case of zero level.** First we will consider the higher Kac-Moody factorization algebra on  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  “at level zero”. That is, the factorization algebra  $\mathbb{U}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}})$ . In this section we will omit  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  from the notation, and simply refer to the factorization algebra by  $\mathbb{U}(\mathcal{G})$ .

Let  $\rho_*(\mathbb{U}\mathcal{G})$  be the factorization algebra on  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  obtained by pushing forward along the radial projection map. Explicitly, to an open set  $I \subset \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  this factorization algebra assigns the dg vector space

$$\mathbb{C}_*^{\text{Lie}} \left( \Omega_c^{0,*}(\rho^{-1}(I)) \otimes \mathfrak{g} \right).$$

Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  be an open subset. There is the natural map  $\rho^* : \Omega_c^*(I) \rightarrow \Omega_c^*(\rho^{-1}(I))$  given by the pull back of differential forms. We can post compose this with the natural projection  $\text{pr}_{\Omega^{0,*}} : \Omega_c^* \rightarrow \Omega_c^{0,*}$  to obtain a map of commutative algebras  $\text{pr}_{\Omega^{0,*}} \circ \rho^* : \Omega_c^*(I) \rightarrow \Omega_c^{0,*}(\rho^{-1}(I))$ . The map  $j$  from Proposition ?? determines a map of dg commutative algebras  $j : A_d \rightarrow \Omega^{0,*}(\rho^{-1}(I))$ . Thus, we obtain a map

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi(I) = (\text{pr}_{\Omega^{0,*}} \circ \rho^*) \otimes j : \quad & \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes A_d \rightarrow \Omega_c^{0,*}(\rho^{-1}(I)) \\ \varphi \otimes a \quad & \mapsto ((\text{pr}_{\Omega^{0,*}} \circ \rho^*)\varphi) \wedge j(a) \end{aligned}$$

Since this is a map of commutative dg algebras it defines a map of dg Lie algebras

$$\Phi(I) \otimes \text{id}_{\mathfrak{g}} : (\Omega_c^*(I) \otimes A_d) \otimes \mathfrak{g} = \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \Omega_c^{0,*}(\rho^{-1}(I)) \otimes \mathfrak{g}$$

which maps  $(\varphi \otimes a) \otimes X \mapsto \Phi(\varphi \otimes a) \otimes X$ . We will drop the  $\text{id}_{\mathfrak{g}}$  from the notation and will denote this map simply by  $\Phi(I)$ . Note that  $\Phi(I)$  is compatible with inclusions of open sets, hence extends to a map of cosheaves of dg Lie algebras that we will call  $\Phi$ .

We can summarize the results as follows.

**Proposition 2.2.** *The map  $\Phi$  extends to a map of factorization Lie algebras*

$$\Phi : \Omega_{\mathbb{R}_{>0},c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \rho_* \mathcal{G}.$$

Hence, it defines a map of factorization algebras

$$\mathbb{C}_*(\Phi) : U^{\text{fact}} \left( \Omega_{\mathbb{R}_{>0}}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \right) \rightarrow \rho_*(\mathbb{U}\mathcal{G}).$$

The fact that we obtain a map of factorization algebras follows from applying the functor  $\mathbb{C}_*^{\text{Lie}}(-)$  to  $\Phi$ . It is immediate to see that this functor commutes with push-forward.



2.2.2. *The case of non-zero level.* We now proceed to the proof of Theorem . The dg Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}_{d,\theta}$  determines a dg associative algebra via its universal enveloping algebra  $U(\mathfrak{g}_{d,\theta})$ . This dg algebra determines a factorization algebra on the one-manifold  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  that assigns to every open interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  the dg vector space  $U(A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$ . The factorization product is uniquely determined by the algebra structure. Henceforth, we denote this factorization algebra by  $U(\mathfrak{g}_{d,\theta})^{fact}$ .

To prove the theorem we will construct a sequence of maps of factorization Lie algebras on  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \mathcal{G}_1 & & \mathcal{G}_2 \\ & \nearrow \Phi_0 & \searrow \Phi_1 & \nearrow \Phi_2 & \\ \mathcal{G}_0 & & \mathcal{G}'_1 & & \end{array} .$$

The enveloping factorization of  $\mathcal{G}_0$  is equivalent to the factorization algebra  $U(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta})^{fact}$ . Moreover, the enveloping factorization of  $\mathcal{G}_2$  is the push-forward of the higher Kac-Moody factorization algebra  $\rho_* \mathbb{U}\mathcal{G}$ . Hence, the desired map of factorization algebras is produced by applying the enveloping factorization functor to the above composition of factorization Lie algebras.

First, we introduce the factorization Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_0$ . To an open set  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ , it assigns the dg Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_0(I) = \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes \widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}$ , where  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}$  is the central extension from Equation (7). The differential and Lie bracket are determined by the fact that we are tensoring a commutative dg algebra with a dg Lie algebra. A slight variant of Proposition 3.4.0.1 in [?], which shows that the one-dimensional enveloping factorization of an ordinary Lie algebra produces its ordinary universal enveloping algebra, shows that there is a quasi-isomorphism of factorization algebras on  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(U\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta})^{fact} \xrightarrow{\sim} C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathcal{G}_0).$$

The factorization Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_0$  is a central extension of the factorization Lie algebra  $\Omega_{\mathbb{R},c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$  by the trivial module  $\Omega_c^* \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot K$ . Indeed, the cocycle determining the central extension is given by

$$\theta_0(\varphi_0 \alpha_0, \dots, \varphi_d \alpha_d) = (\varphi_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_d) \theta_{A_d}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d).$$

The factorization Lie algebra  $\Omega_{\mathbb{R},c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$  is the compactly supported sections of the local Lie algebra  $\Omega_{\mathbb{R}}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$  and this cocycle determining the extension is a local cocycle.

Next, we define the factorization dg Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_1$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . This is also obtained as a central extension of the factorization Lie algebra  $\Omega_{\mathbb{R},c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$ :

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cdot K[-1] \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{R},c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow 0$$

determined by the following cocycle. For an open interval  $I$  write  $\varphi_i \in \Omega_c^*(I)$ ,  $\alpha_i \in A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ . The cocycle is defined by

$$(9) \quad \theta_1(\varphi_0 \alpha_0, \dots, \varphi_d \alpha_d) = \left( \int_I \varphi_0 \wedge \dots \wedge \varphi_d \right) \theta_{\text{FHK}}(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_d)$$

where  $\theta_{\text{FHK}}$  was defined in Equation 6.

The functional  $\theta_1$  determines a local cocycle in  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\Omega_{\mathbb{R}}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}))$  of degree one.

We now define a map of factorization Lie algebras  $\Phi_0 : \mathcal{G}_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1$ . On an open set  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ , we define the map  $\Phi_0(I) : \mathcal{G}_0(I) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1(I)$  by

$$\Phi_0(I)(\varphi\alpha, \psi K) = \left( \varphi\alpha, \int \psi \cdot K \right).$$

For a fixed open set  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ , the map  $\Phi_0$  fits into the commutative diagram of short exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes \mathbb{C} \cdot K & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}_0(I) & \longrightarrow & \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \simeq \downarrow \int & & \downarrow \Phi_0(I) & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C} \cdot K[-1] & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}_1(I) & \longrightarrow & \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \longrightarrow 0. \end{array}$$

To see that  $\Phi_0(I)$  is a map of dg Lie algebras we simply observe that the cocycles determining the central extensions are related by  $\theta_1 = \int \circ \theta_0$ , where  $\int : \Omega_c^*(I) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  as in the diagram above. Since  $\int$  is a quasi-isomorphism, the map  $\Phi_0(I)$  is as well. It is clear that as we vary the interval  $I$  we obtain a quasi-isomorphism of factorization Lie algebras  $\Phi_0 : \mathcal{G}_0 \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{G}_1$ .

We now define the factorization dg Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}'_1$ . Like  $\mathcal{G}_0$  and  $\mathcal{G}_0$ , it is a central extension of  $\Omega_{\mathbb{R},c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$ . The cocycle determining the central extension is defined by

$$\theta'_1(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) = \theta_1(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) + \tilde{\theta}_1(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d)$$

where  $\theta_1$  was defined in Equation (9). Before writing down the explicit formula for  $\tilde{\theta}_1$  we introduce some notation. Set

$$E = r \frac{\partial}{\partial r},$$

$$d\vartheta = \sum_i \frac{dz_i}{z_i}.$$

We view  $E$  as a vector field on  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  and  $d\vartheta$  as a  $(1,0)$ -form on  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus 0$ . Define the functional

$$\tilde{\theta}_1(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \left( \int_I \varphi_0(E \cdot \varphi_i) \varphi_1 \cdots \widehat{\varphi_i} \cdots \varphi_d \right) \left( \oint (a_0 a_i d\vartheta) \partial a_1 \cdots \widehat{\partial a_i} \cdots \partial a_d \right) \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d).$$

The functional  $\tilde{\theta}$  defines a local functional in  $C_{\text{loc}}^* \left( \Omega_{\mathbb{R}_{>0}}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \right)$  of cohomological degree one. One immediately checks that it is a cocycle. This completes the definition of the factorization Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}'_1$ .

The factorization Lie algebras  $\mathcal{G}_1$  and  $\mathcal{G}'_1$  are identical as precosheaves of vector spaces. In fact, if we put a filtration on  $\mathcal{G}_1$  and  $\mathcal{G}'_1$  where the central element  $K$  has filtration degree one, then the associated graded factorization Lie algebras  $\text{Gr } \mathcal{G}_1$  and  $\text{Gr } \mathcal{G}'_1$  are also identified. The only difference in the Lie algebra structures comes from the deformation of the cocycle determining the extension of  $\mathcal{G}'_1$  given by  $\tilde{\theta}_1$ .

In fact, we will show that  $\tilde{\theta}_1$  is actually an exact cocycle via the cobounding element  $\eta \in C_{\text{loc}}^* \left( \Omega_{\mathbb{R}_{>0}}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \right)$  defined by

$$\eta(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) = \sum_{i=1}^d \left( \int_I \varphi_0(\iota_E \varphi_i) \varphi_1 \cdots \widehat{\varphi_i} \cdots \varphi_d \right) \left( \oint (a_0 a_i d\vartheta) \partial a_1 \cdots \widehat{\partial a_i} \cdots \partial a_d \right) \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d).$$

**Lemma 2.3.** *One has  $d\eta = \tilde{\theta}_1$ , where  $d$  is the differential for the cochain complex  $C_{\text{loc}}^*(\Omega_{\mathbb{R}_{>0}}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}))$ . In particular, the factorization Lie algebras  $\mathcal{G}_1$  and  $\mathcal{G}'_1$  are quasi-isomorphic (as  $L_\infty$  algebras). An explicit quasi-isomorphism is given by the  $L_\infty$  map  $\Phi_1 : \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'_1$  that sends the central element  $K$  to itself and an element  $(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\Omega_c^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}))$  to*

$$(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) + \eta(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) \cdot K \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\Omega_c^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})) \oplus \mathbb{C} \cdot K.$$

Finally, we define the factorization Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_2$ . We have already seen that the local cocycle  $J(\theta) \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathfrak{g}^{\mathbb{C}^d})$  determines a central extension of factorization Lie algebras

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \cdot K[-1] \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{J(\theta)} \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{C}^d, c}^{0,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow 0.$$

Of course, we can restrict  $\mathcal{G}_{J(\theta)}$  to a factorization algebra on  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus 0$ . The factorization algebra  $\mathcal{G}_2$  is defined as the pushforward of this restriction along the radial projection:  $\mathcal{G}_2 := \rho_* \left( \mathcal{G}_{J(\theta)}|_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus 0} \right)$ .

Recall the map  $\Phi : \Omega_{\mathbb{R}_{>0}, c}^* \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \rho_* (\Omega_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus 0, c}^{0,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g})$  defined in Equation (8). On each open set  $I \subset \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  we can extend  $\Phi$  by the identity on the central element to a linear map  $\Phi_2 : \mathcal{G}'_1(I) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_2(I)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** *The map  $\Phi_2 : \mathcal{G}'_1(I) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_2(I)$  is a map of dg Lie algebras. Moreover, it extends to a map of factorization Lie algebras  $\Phi_2 : \mathcal{G}'_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_2$ .*

*Proof.* Modulo the central element  $\Phi_2$  reduces to the map  $\Phi$ , which we have already seen is a map of factorization Lie algebras in Proposition 2.2. Thus, to show that  $\Phi_2$  is a map of factorization Lie algebras we need to show that it is compatible with the cocycles determining the respective central extensions. That is, we need to show that

$$(10) \quad \theta'_1(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d) = \theta_2(\Phi(\varphi_0 a_0 X_0), \dots, \Phi(\varphi_d a_d X_d))$$

for all  $\varphi_i a_i X_i \in \Omega_c^*(I) \otimes (A_d \otimes \mathfrak{g})$ . The cocycle  $\theta'_1$  is only nonzero if one of the  $\varphi_i$  inputs is a 1-form. We evaluate the left-hand side on the  $(d+1)$ -tuple  $(\varphi_0 dr a_0 X_0, \varphi_1 a_1 X_1, \dots, \varphi_d a_d X_d)$  where  $\varphi_i \in C_c^\infty(I)$ ,  $a_i \in A_d$ ,  $X_i \in \mathfrak{g}$  for  $i = 0, \dots, d$ . The result is

$$(11) \quad \left( \int_I \varphi_0 \cdots \varphi_d dr \right) \left( \oint a_0 \partial a_1 \cdots \partial a_d \right) \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d)$$

$$(12) \quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \left( \int_I \varphi_0 (E \cdot \varphi_i) \varphi_1 \cdots \widehat{\varphi_i} \cdots \varphi_d dr \right) \left( \oint (a_0 a_i d\vartheta) \partial a_1 \cdots \widehat{\partial a_i} \cdots \partial a_d \right) \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d)$$

We wish to compare this to the right-hand side of Equation (10). Recall that  $\Phi(\varphi_0 dr a_0 X_0) = \varphi(r) dr a_0(z) X_0$  and  $\Phi(\varphi_i a_i X_i) = \varphi(r) a_i(z) X_i$ . Plugging this into the explicit formula for the cocycle  $\theta_2$  we see the right-hand side of (10) is

$$(13) \quad \left( \int_{\rho^{-1}(I)} \varphi_0(r) dr a_0(z) \partial(\varphi_1(r) a_1(z)) \cdots \partial(\varphi_d(r) a_d(z)) \right) \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d).$$

We pick out the term in (13) in which the  $\partial$  operators only act on the elements  $a_i(z)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, d$ . This term is of the form

$$\int_{\rho^{-1}(I)} \varphi_0(r) \cdots \varphi_d(r) dr a_0(z) \partial(a_1(z)) \cdots \partial(a_d(z)) \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d).$$

Separating variables we find that this is precisely the first term (11) in the expansion of the left-hand side of (10).

Now, note that we can rewrite the  $\partial$ -operator in terms of the radius  $r$  as

$$\partial = \sum_{i=1}^d dz_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} = \sum_{i=1}^d dz_i \bar{z}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial(r^2)} = \sum_{i=1}^d dz_i \frac{r^2}{2z_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}.$$

The remaining terms in (13) correspond to the expansion of

$$\partial(\varphi_1(r)a_1(z)) \cdots \partial(\varphi_d(r)a_d(z)),$$

using the Leibniz rule, for which the  $\partial$  operators act on at least one of the functions  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_d$ . In fact, only terms in which  $\partial$  acts on precisely one of the functions  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_d$  will be nonzero. For instance, consider the term

$$(14) \quad (\partial\varphi_1)a_1(z)(\partial\varphi_2)a_2(z)\partial(\varphi_3(z)a_3(z)) \cdots \partial(\varphi_d(z)a_d(z)).$$

Now,  $\partial\varphi_i(r) = \omega \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial r}$  where  $\omega$  is the one-form  $\sum_i (r^2/2z_i) dz_i$ . Thus, (14) is equal to

$$\left(\omega \frac{\partial\varphi_1}{\partial r}\right) a_1(z) \left(\omega \frac{\partial\varphi_2}{\partial r}\right) a_2(z) \partial(\varphi_3(z)a_3(z)) \cdots \partial(\varphi_d(z)a_d(z)),$$

which is clearly zero as  $\omega$  appears twice.

We observe that terms in the expansion of (13) for which  $\partial$  acts on precisely one of the functions  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_d$  can be written as

$$\sum_{i=1}^d \int_{\rho^{-1}(I)} \varphi_0(r) \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \varphi_i(r)\right) \varphi_1(r) \cdots \widehat{\varphi_i(r)} \cdots \varphi_d(r) dr \frac{r}{2z_i} dz_i a_0(z) a_i(z) \partial a_1(z) \cdots \widehat{\partial a_i(z)} \cdots \partial a_d(z).$$

Finally, notice that the function  $z_i/2r$  is independent of the radius  $r$ . Thus, separating variables we find the integral can be written as

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \left( \int_I \varphi_0 \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \varphi_i\right) \varphi_1 \cdots \widehat{\varphi_i} \cdots \varphi_d dr \right) \left( \oint \frac{dz_i}{z_i} a_0 a_i \partial a_2 \cdots \widehat{\partial a_i} \cdots \partial a_d \right).$$

This is precisely equal to the second term (12) above. Hence, the cocycles are compatible and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**2.3. A brief comparison with the work of Faonte-Hennion-Kapranov.** OG: We just do something very quick here, and prepare the way for later discussions.

**2.4. An  $E_d$  algebra by compactifying along tori.** There is another direction that one may look to extend the notion of affine algebras to higher dimensions. The affine algebra is a central extension of the loop algebra on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Instead of looking at higher dimensional sphere algebras, one can consider higher *torus* algebras; or iterated loop algebras:

$$L^d \mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{C}[z_1^\pm, \dots, z_d^\pm] \otimes \mathfrak{g}.$$

These iterated loop algebras are algebraic versions of the torus mapping space  $\text{Map}(S^1 \times \cdots \times S^1, \mathfrak{g})$ . In this section we show what information the Kac-Moody vertex algebra implies about extensions of such iterated loop algebras.

To do this we specialize the Kac-Moody factorization algebra to the complex manifold  $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^d$ , which is homotopy equivalent to the topologists torus  $(S^1)^{\times d}$ . We show, in a similar way as above, how to extract the structure of an  $E_d$  algebra from considering the nesting of “polyannuli” in  $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^d$ . These  $E_d$ -algebras are related to interesting extensions of the Lie algebra  $L^d \mathfrak{g}$ .

When  $d = 1$ , we have seen that the nesting of ordinary annuli give rise to the structure of an associative algebra. For  $d > 1$ , a polyannulus is a complex submanifold of the form  $\text{Ann}_1 \times \cdots \times \text{Ann}_d \subset (\mathbb{C}^\times)^d$  where each  $\text{Ann}_i \subset \mathbb{C}^\times$  is an ordinary annulus. Equivalently, a polyannulus is the complement of a closed polydisk inside of a larger open polydisk. We will see how the nesting of annuli in each component gives rise to the structure of a locally constant factorization algebra in  $d$  real dimensions, and hence defines an  $E_d$  algebra.

A result of Knudsen [?], which we recall below, states that every dg Lie algebra determines an  $E_d$ -algebra, for any  $d > 1$ , called the universal  $E_d$  enveloping algebra. To state the result precisely we need to be in the context of  $\infty$ -categories.

**Theorem 2.5** ([?]). *Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a stable,  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear, presentable, symmetric monoidal  $\infty$ -category. There is an adjunction*

$$U^{E_d} : \text{LieAlg}(\mathcal{C}) \rightleftarrows E_d\text{Alg}(\mathcal{C}) : F$$

*such that for any object  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  one has  $\text{Free}_{E_d}(X) \simeq U^{E_d}\text{Free}_{\text{Lie}}(\Sigma^{d-1}X)$ .*

We are most interested in the case  $\mathcal{C}$  is the category of chain complexes with tensor product  $\text{Ch}^\otimes$ . In this situation, the enveloping algebra  $U^{E_d}$  agrees with the ordinary universal enveloping algebra when  $d = 1$ .

When the twisting cocycle defining the Kac-Moody factorization algebra is zero we will see that the  $E_d$  algebra coming from the product of polyannuli is equivalent to  $U^{E_d}(L^d\mathfrak{g})$ . When we turn on a twisting cocycle we will find the  $E_d$ -enveloping algebra of a central extension of the iterated loop algebra.

The Kac-Moody factorization algebra on the  $d$ -fold  $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^d$  determines a real  $d$ -dimensional factorization algebra by considering the radius in each complex direction. This factorization algebra on  $(\mathbb{R}_{>0})^d$  is defined by the pushforward  $\tilde{\rho}_*(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^\times \times d})$ , where  $\tilde{\rho} : (\mathbb{C}^\times)^d \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}_{>0})^d$  is the projection  $(z_1, \dots, z_d) \mapsto (|z_1|, \dots, |z_d|)$ .

On the Lie algebra side, it is an immediate calculation to see that the following formula defines a cocycle on  $L^d\mathfrak{g}$  of degree  $(d+1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} L^d\theta : (L^d\mathfrak{g})^{\otimes d+1} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ (f_0 \otimes X_0) \otimes \cdots \otimes (f_d \otimes X_d) &\mapsto \theta(X_0, \dots, X_d) \oint_{|z_1|=1} \cdots \oint_{|z_d|=1} f_0 df_1 \cdots df_d. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $f_i \otimes X_i \in L^d\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{C}[z_1^\pm, \dots, z_d^\pm] \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ . The above is just an iterated version of the usual residue pairing. This cocycle determines a shifted Lie algebra extension of the iterated loop algebra

$$\mathbb{C}[d-1] \rightarrow \widehat{L^d\mathfrak{g}_\theta} \rightarrow L^d\mathfrak{g},$$

that appears in the theorem below.

The following can be proved in exact analogy as the above result for sphere algebras and we omit the proof here.

**Proposition 2.6.** *Fix  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g}$  and let  $\tilde{\rho}_*\mathbb{U}_\theta\mathcal{G}_{(\mathbb{C}^\times)^d}$  be the factorization algebra on  $(\mathbb{R}_{>0})^d$  obtained by reducing the Kac-Moody factorization algebra along the  $d$ -torus. There exists a dense  $d$ -dimensional subfactorization algebra  $\mathcal{F}^{\text{lc}}$  that is locally constant and is equivalent, as  $E_d$ -algebras, to*

$$U^{E_d}(\widehat{L^d\mathfrak{g}_\theta}).$$

### 3. GLOBAL ASPECTS OF THE HIGHER KAC-MOODY FACTORIZATION ALGEBRAS

In this section we explore global properties of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra on complex manifolds. The first of which is the (shifted) Poisson structure on the “classical limit” of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra. In the world of CFT, many vertex algebras admit classical limits which have the structure of *Poisson vertex algebras*. Roughly, these are vertex algebras with a commutative OPE together with a family of  $z$ -dependent brackets which are biderivations for the OPE. The concept of a  $P_0$ -factorization algebra specializes to this in the case of complex one-dimensional holomorphic factorization algebras but applies more generally to factorization algebras in any dimension.

Next, we will compute the factorization homology, or global sections, of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra along a class of complex manifolds called *Hopf manifolds*. We choose to focus on these because the answer admits a concise description in terms of classical algebra, and for the application for studying the gauge equivariance for the partition function of the higher dimensional  $\sigma$ -model from Chapter ?? . After this, we discuss variants of the twisted Kac-Moody factorization algebra that exist on complex  $d$ -folds. These variants are related to the approach of studying higher dimensional holomorphic gauge symmetries due to Nekrasov, et. al..

**3.1. The “classical” limit of the higher Kac-Moody algebras.** We will exhibit the  $P_0$  structure present in arbitrary Kac-Moody factorization algebras. The content of this section is rather technical, but we will use the results in a forthcoming paper where we realize the Kac-Moody factorization algebra as the boundary operators of certain supersymmetric gauge theories.

Every associative algebra determines a Lie algebra via the commutator. There is a left adjoint to this forgetful functor given by the enveloping algebra of a Lie algebra. Given a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , this enveloping algebra  $U\mathfrak{g}$  can also be thought of as a quantization of a certain Poisson algebra. The Poincaré-Birkhoff-Witt theorem says that the associated graded  $\text{Gr } U\mathfrak{g}$  by the filtration given by symmetric degree is precisely  $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}^*]$ . It is a classical fact that the linear dual  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  of a Lie algebra has the structure of a Poisson manifold. The Poisson bracket on  $\mathbb{C}[\mathfrak{g}^*] = \text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g})$  is defined by extending the Lie bracket on the quadratic functions by the Leibniz rule.

In a completely analogous way, the enveloping factorization algebra of a local Lie algebra has a “classical limit” given by a  $P_0$  factorization algebra. Recall, the enveloping factorization algebra of a local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  evaluated on an open set  $U$  is given by the Chevalley-Eilenberg complex of the compactly supported sections on  $U$

$$\mathbb{U}(\mathcal{L})(U) = C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathcal{L}(U)) = (\text{Sym}^*(\mathcal{L}(U)[1]), d_{\mathcal{L}} + d_{\text{CE}}).$$

There is a filtration of this complex defined by  $F^k = \text{Sym}^{\geq k}(\mathcal{L}(U)[1])$ . Moreover, this defines a filtration of the factorization algebra  $\mathbb{U}(\mathcal{L})$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a local Lie algebra. Then, the associated graded factorization algebra  $\text{Gr } \mathbb{U}(\mathcal{L})$  has the structure of a  $P_0$  factorization algebra. Similarly, if  $\alpha \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{L})$  is a cocycle of cohomological degree one then  $\text{Gr } \mathbb{U}_{\alpha}(\mathcal{L})$  has the structure of a  $P_0$  factorization algebra.*

Up to issues of functional analysis, one should think of the  $P_0$  algebra  $\text{Gr } \mathbb{U}(\mathcal{L})$  as the algebra of functions on the sheaf of dg vector spaces  $\mathcal{L}^{\vee}[-1]$  with differential induced from that on  $\mathcal{L}$ . The

$P_0$  algebra  $\text{Gr } \mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{L})$  is equal to functions on the same sheaf of dg vector spaces but with bracket modified by  $\alpha$ .

**Corollary 3.2.** *For any principal  $G$ -bundle  $P \rightarrow X$  consider the associated graded factorization algebra*

$$\text{Gr } \mathbb{U}(\text{Ad}(P)) : U \mapsto \left( \text{Sym}^*(\Omega_c^{0,*}(U)[1]), \bar{\partial} \right).$$

*Then, any element  $\Theta \in H_{\text{loc}}^1(\text{Ad}(P))$  determines the structure of a  $P_0$  factorization algebra on  $\text{Gr } \mathbb{U}(\text{Ad}(P))$ .*

In the case that  $\Theta = J_X(\theta)$  is the local cocycle corresponding to a symmetric polynomial  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$  the Poisson structure can be described explicitly as follows. The Poisson tensor is of the form  $\Pi = \Pi_{[-,-]} + \Pi_\theta$  where

$$\Pi_{[-,-]} = \wedge \otimes [-, -] : \left( \Omega_X^{d,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g} \right) \otimes \left( \Omega_X^{0,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g} \right) \rightarrow \Omega_X^{d,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g}$$

and

$$\Pi_\theta : \left( \Omega_X^{0,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g} \right)^{\otimes d} \rightarrow \Omega_X^{d,*} \otimes \mathfrak{g}$$

sends  $\alpha_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha_d \mapsto \partial \alpha_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \partial \alpha_d$ . In complex dimension one, Butson and Yoo [?] show that this  $P_0$  algebra is compatible with the usual Poisson vertex algebra structure on the classical limit of the ordinary Kac-Moody vacuum module.

**3.2. Hopf manifolds and twisted indices.** We focus on a family of complex manifolds defined by Hopf in [?] defined in every complex dimension  $d$ .

**Definition 3.3.** Fix an integer  $d \geq 1$ . Let  $f : \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$  be a polynomial map such that  $f(0) = 0$  such that its Jacobian at zero  $\text{Jac}(f)(0)$  is invertible with eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_i\}$  all satisfying  $|\lambda_i| < 1$ . Define the *Hopf manifold associated to  $f$*  to be the  $d$ -dimensional complex manifold

$$X_f := \left( \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} \right) / (x \sim f(x)).$$

Note that  $X_f$  is compact for any  $f$ . In the case  $d = 1$  all Hopf surfaces are equivalent to elliptic curves.

**Lemma 3.4.** *For any  $f$  there is a diffeomorphism  $X_f \cong S^{2d-1} \times S^1$ .*

This implies that when  $d > 1$ , the cohomology  $H_{dR}^2(X_f) = 0$  for any  $f$ . In particular,  $X_f$  is not Kähler when  $d > 1$ . For  $1 \leq i \leq d$  let  $q_i \in D(0, 1)^\times$  be a nonzero complex number of modulus  $|q_i| < 1$ . The  $d$ -dimensional *Hopf manifold of type  $\mathbf{q} = (q_1, \dots, q_d)$*  is the following quotient of punctured affine space  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  by the discrete group  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ :

$$X_{\mathbf{q}} = \left( \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} \right) / \left( (z_1, \dots, z_d) \sim (q_1^{2\pi i \mathbb{Z}} z_1, \dots, q_d^{2\pi i \mathbb{Z}} z_d) \right).$$

Note that in the case  $d = 1$  we recover the usual description of an elliptic curve  $X_{\mathbf{q}} = E_q = \mathbb{C}^\times / q^{2\pi i \mathbb{Z}}$ . We will denote the quotient map  $p_{\mathbf{q}} : \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow X_{\mathbf{q}}$ .

For any  $d$  and tuple  $(q_1, \dots, q_d)$  as above, we see that as a smooth manifold there is a diffeomorphism  $X_{\mathbf{q}} \cong S^{2d-1} \times S^1$ . Indeed, the radial projection map  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  defines a smooth  $S^{2d-1}$ -fibration over  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . Passing to the quotient, we obtain an  $S^{2d-1}$ -fibration

$$X_{\mathbf{q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0} / (r \sim \lambda^{\mathbb{Z}} \cdot r) \cong S^1.$$

Here,  $\lambda = (|q_1|^2 + \cdots + |q_d|^2)^{1/2} > 0$ . Since there are no non-trivial  $S^{2d-1}$  fibrations over  $S^1$  we obtain  $X_{\mathbf{q}} = S^{2d-1} \times S^1$  as smooth manifolds.

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $X$  be a Hopf manifold and suppose  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$  is any  $\mathfrak{g}$ -invariant polynomial of degree  $(d+1)$ . Then, there is a quasi-isomorphism of  $\mathbb{C}[K]$ -modules*

$$\int_X \mathbb{U}_\theta(\mathcal{G}_X) \simeq \text{Hoch}_*(U\mathfrak{g})[K].$$

*Proof.* Let's first consider the untwisted case where the statement reduces to  $\int_X \mathbb{U}(\mathcal{G}_X) \simeq \text{Hoch}_*(U\mathfrak{g})$ . The factorization homology on the left hand side is computed by

$$\int_X \mathbb{U}(\mathcal{G}_X) = C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\Omega^{0,*}(X) \otimes \mathfrak{g}).$$

Now, since every Hopf manifold is Dolbeault formal there is a quasi-isomorphism of commutative dg algebras

$$(H^{0,*}(X), 0) \simeq (\Omega^{0,*}(X), \bar{\partial}).$$

In fact, we have written down a preferred presentation for the cohomology ring of  $X$  given by  $H^{0,*}(X) = \mathbb{C}[\delta]$  where  $|\delta| = 1$ . A particular Dolbeault representative for  $\delta$  given by

$$\bar{\partial}(\log |z|^2) = \sum_i \frac{z_i d\bar{z}_i}{|z|^2}$$

where  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_d)$  is the coordinate on  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$ .

Applied to the global sections of the Kac-Moody we see that there is a quasi-isomorphism

$$\int_X \mathbb{U}(\mathcal{G}_X) \simeq C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathbb{C}[\delta] \otimes \mathfrak{g}).$$

Now, note that  $C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathbb{C}[\delta] \otimes \mathfrak{g}) = C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}[-1]) = C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathfrak{g}, \text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}))$ , where  $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the symmetric product of the adjoint action of  $\mathfrak{g}$  on itself. By Poincaré-Birkhoff-Witt there is an isomorphism of vector spaces  $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}) = U\mathfrak{g}$ , so we can write this as  $C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathfrak{g}, \text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}))$ .

Now, any  $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -bimodule  $M$  is automatically a module for the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  by the formula  $x \cdot m = xm - mx$  where  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$  and  $m \in M$ . Moreover, for any such bimodule there is a quasi-isomorphism of cochain complexes

$$C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \simeq \text{Hoch}_*(U\mathfrak{g}, M).$$

This is proved, for instance, in Section 2.3 of [?]. Applied to the bimodule  $M = U\mathfrak{g}$  itself we obtain a quasi-isomorphism  $C_*^{\text{Lie}}(\mathfrak{g}, U\mathfrak{g}) \simeq \text{Hoch}(U\mathfrak{g})$ .

The twisted case is similar. Let  $\theta$  be as in the statement. Then, the factorization homology is equal to

$$\int_X \mathbb{U}_\theta(\mathcal{G}_X) = \left( \text{Sym}(\Omega^{0,*}(X) \otimes \mathfrak{g})[K], \bar{\partial} + d_{CE} + d_\theta \right).$$

Applying Dolbeault formality again we see that this is quasi-isomorphic to the cochain complex

$$(15) \quad (\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}[\delta])[K], d_{CE} + d_\theta).$$

We note that  $d_\theta$  is identically zero on  $\text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}[\delta])$ . Indeed, for degree reasons, at least one of the inputs must be from  $\mathfrak{g} \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{g}[\delta] = \mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{g}[-1]$ , which consists of constant functions on  $X$  with values in the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . In the formula for the local cocycle from Proposition 1.12 associated to  $\theta$  it is clear that if any one of the inputs is constant the cocycle vanishes. Indeed, one can integrate by parts to put it in the form  $\int \partial\alpha \cdots \partial\alpha$ , which is the integral of a total derivative, hence zero since  $X$  has no boundary. Thus (15) just becomes the Chevalley-Eilenberg complex with values in the



trivial module  $\mathbb{C}[K]$ . By the same argument as in the untwisted case, we conclude that in this case the factorization homology is quasi-isomorphic to  $\text{Hoch}_*(U\mathfrak{g})[K]$  as desired.  $\square$

There is an interesting consequence of this calculation to the Hochschild homology for the  $A_\infty$  algebra  $U(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta})$ . It is easiest to state this when  $X$  is a Hopf manifold of the form  $(\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\})/q^\mathbb{Z}$  for a single  $q = q_1 = \dots = q_d \in D(0,1)^\times$  where the quotient is by the relation  $(z_1, \dots, z_d) \simeq (q^\mathbb{Z} z_1, \dots, q^\mathbb{Z} z_d)$ . Let  $p_q : \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow X$  be the quotient map. Consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\} & \xrightarrow{p_q} & X \\ \downarrow \rho & & \downarrow \bar{\rho} \\ \mathbb{R}_{>0} & \xrightarrow{\bar{p}_q} & S^1 \end{array}$$

Here,  $\rho$  is the radial projection map and  $\bar{\rho}$  is the induced map defined by the quotient. The action of  $\mathbb{Z}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$  gives  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}}$  the structure of a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -equivariant factorization algebra. In turn, this determines an action of  $\mathbb{Z}$  on pushforward factorization algebra  $\rho_* \mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}}$ . We have seen that there is a dense locally constant subfactorization algebra on  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$  of the pushforward that is equivalent as an  $E_1$  algebra to  $U(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta})$ . A consequence of excision for factorization homology, see Lemma 3.18 [?], implies that there is a quasi-isomorphism

$$\text{Hoch}_*(U(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}), q) \simeq \int_{S^1} \bar{\rho}_* \mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{G}_X),$$

where the right-hand side is the Hochschild homology of the algebra  $U\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}$  with coefficients in the bimodule  $U\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}$  with the ordinary left-module structure and right-module structure given by twisting the ordinary action by the automorphism corresponding to the element  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  on the algebra.

Moreover, by the push-forward for factorization homology, Proposition 3.23 [?], there is an equivalence

$$\int_{S^1} \bar{\rho}_* \mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{G}_X) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \int_X \mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{G}_X).$$

We have just shown that the factorization homology of  $\mathcal{G}_X$  is equal to the Hochschild homology of  $U\mathfrak{g}$  so that

$$\text{Hoch}_*(U(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\theta}), q) \simeq \text{Hoch}_*(U\mathfrak{g})[K].$$

This statement is purely algebraic as the dependence on the manifold for which the Kac-Moody lives has dropped out. It may be easiest to understand in the case  $d = 1$  and  $\theta = 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{g}_{d,\theta}$  is the loop algebra  $L\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}]$ . The action of  $\mathbb{Z}$  on  $L\mathfrak{g}$  rotates the loop parameter: for  $z^n \otimes \mathfrak{g} \in L\mathfrak{g} = \mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}] \otimes \mathfrak{g}$  the action of  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  is  $1 \cdot (z^n \otimes \mathfrak{g}) = q^n z^n \otimes \mathfrak{g}$ . In turn, the bimodule structure of  $U(\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}])$  on itself, which we denote  $U(\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}])_q$  is the ordinary one on the left and on the right is given by twisting by the automorphism corresponding to  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The complex  $\text{Hoch}_*(U(\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}]), q)$  is the Hochschild homology of  $U(\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}])$  with values in this bimodule. Thus, the statement implies that there is a quasi-isomorphism

$$\text{Hoch}_*\left(U(\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}]), U(\mathfrak{g}[z, z^{-1}])_q\right) \simeq \text{Hoch}(U\mathfrak{g}).$$

**3.3. Variants of the higher Kac-Moody factorization algebras.** So far we have mostly restricted ourselves to studying the Kac-Moody factorization algebra corresponding to local cocycles of type  $J_X(\theta)$  where  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$ . There is another class of local cocycles that appear when studying symmetries of holomorphic theories. Unlike the cocycle  $J_X(\theta)$ , which in some sense did not depend on the manifold  $X$ , this class of cocycles is more dependent on the manifold for which the current algebra lives.

Let  $X$  be a complex manifold of dimension  $d$  and suppose  $\omega$  is a  $(k, k)$  form on  $X$ . Fix, in addition, a form  $\theta_{d+1-k} \in \text{Sym}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Then, we may consider the cochain on  $\mathcal{G}(X)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{\theta, \omega} : \quad \mathcal{G}(X)^{\otimes d+1-k} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ \alpha_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes \alpha_{d-k} &\mapsto \int_X \omega \wedge \theta_{d+1-k}(\alpha_0, \partial\alpha_1, \dots, \partial\alpha_{d-k}) \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $\phi_{\theta, \omega}$  is a local cochain on  $\mathcal{G}(X)$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1-k}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$  and suppose  $\omega \in \Omega^{k,k}(X)$  satisfies  $\bar{\partial}\omega = 0$  and  $\partial\omega = 0$ . Then,  $\phi_{\theta, \omega} \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G}_X)$  is a local cocycle. Moreover, for fixed  $\theta$  the cohomology class  $[\phi_{\theta, \omega}] \in H_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathcal{G}_X)$  only depends on the cohomology class*

$$[\omega] \in H^k(X, \Omega_{cl}^k).$$

Note that when  $\omega = 1$  it trivially satisfies the conditions of the lemma. In this case  $\phi_{\theta, 1} = J_X(\theta)$  in the notation of the last section.

This class of cocycles is related to the ordinary Kac-Moody factorization and vertex algebra on Riemann surfaces in a natural way. Consider the following two examples.

*Example 3.7.* We consider the complex manifold  $X = \Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}$  where  $\Sigma$  is a Riemann surface and  $\mathbb{P}^{d-1}$  is  $(d-1)$ -dimensional complex projective space. Suppose that  $\omega \in \Omega^{d-1, d-1}(\mathbb{P}^{d-1})$  is the natural volume form, this clearly satisfies the conditions of Lemma 3.6 and so determines a degree one cocycle  $\phi_{\kappa, \omega} \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}})$  where  $\kappa$  is some  $\mathfrak{g}$ -invariant bilinear form  $\kappa : \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . We can then consider the twisted enveloping factorization algebra of  $\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}}$  by the cocycle  $\phi_{\kappa, \omega}$ .

Recall that if  $p : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a factorization algebra on  $X$ , then the pushforward  $p_*\mathcal{F}$  on  $Y$  is defined on opens by  $p_*\mathcal{F} : U \subset Y \mapsto \mathcal{F}(p^{-1}U)$ .

*Proposition 3.8.* *Let  $\pi : \Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1} \rightarrow \Sigma$  be the projection. Then, there is a quasi-isomorphism between the following two factorization algebras on  $\Sigma$ :*

- (1)  $\pi_* \mathbb{U}_{\phi_{\kappa, \omega}}(\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}})$ , the pushforward along  $\pi$  of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra on  $\Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}$  of type  $\phi_{\kappa, \omega}$ ;
- (2)  $\mathbb{U}_{\text{vol}(\omega)\kappa}(\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma})$ , the Kac-Moody factorization algebra on  $\Sigma$  associated to the invariant pairing  $\text{vol}(\omega) \cdot \kappa$ .

The twisted enveloping factorization on the right-hand side is the familiar Kac-Moody factorization algebra on Riemann surfaces associated to a multiple of the pairing  $\kappa$ . The twisting  $\text{vol}(\omega)\kappa$  corresponds to a cocycle of the type in the previous section

$$J(\text{vol}(\omega)\kappa) = \text{vol}(\omega) \int_{\Sigma} \kappa(\alpha, \partial\beta)$$

where  $\text{vol}(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{P}^{d-1}} \omega$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $U \subset \Sigma$  is open. Then, the factorization algebra  $\pi_* \mathbb{U}_{\phi_{\kappa, \theta}}(\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}})$  assigns to  $U$  the cochain complex

$$(16) \quad \left( \text{Sym} \left( \Omega^{0,*}(U \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}) \right) [1][K], \bar{\partial} + K\phi_{\kappa, \omega}|_{U \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}} \right),$$

where  $\phi_{\kappa, \omega}|_{U \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}}$  is the restriction of the cocycle to the open set  $U \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}$ . Since projective space is Dolbeault formal its Dolbeault complex is quasi-isomorphic to its cohomology. Thus, we have

$$\Omega^{0,*}(U \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}) = \Omega^{0,*}(U) \otimes \Omega^{0,*}(\mathbb{P}^{d-1}) \simeq \Omega^{0,*}(U) \otimes H^*(\mathbb{P}^{d-1}, \mathcal{O}) \cong \Omega^{0,*}(U).$$

Under this quasi-isomorphism, the restricted cocycle has the form

$$\phi_{\kappa, \omega}|_{U \times \mathbb{P}^{d-1}}(\alpha \otimes 1, \beta \otimes 1) = \int_U \kappa(\alpha, \partial\beta) \int_{\mathbb{P}^{d-1}} \omega$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega^{0,*}(U)$  and 1 denotes the unit constant function on  $\mathbb{P}^{d-1}$ . This is precisely the value of the local functional  $\text{vol}(\omega)J_{\Sigma}(\kappa)$  on the open set  $U \subset \Sigma$ . Thus, the cochain complex (16) is quasi-isomorphic to

$$(17) \quad \left( \text{Sym} \left( \Omega^{0,*}(U) \right) [1][K], \bar{\partial} + K\text{vol}(\omega)J_{\Sigma}(\kappa) \right).$$

We recognize this as the value of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra on  $\Sigma$  of type  $\text{vol}(\omega)J_{\Sigma}(\kappa)$ . It is immediate to see that identifications above are natural with respect to maps of opens, so that the factorization structure maps are the desired ones. This completes the proof.  $\square$

*Example 3.9.* Fix two Riemann surfaces  $\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2$  and let  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  be the Kähler forms. Then, we can consider the two projections

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2 & \\ \pi_1 \swarrow & & \searrow \pi_2 \\ \Sigma_1 & & \Sigma_2 \end{array}$$

Consider the following closed  $(1,1)$  form  $\omega = \pi_1^* \omega_1 + \pi_2^* \omega_2 \in \Omega^{1,1}(\Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2)$ . According to the proposition above, for any symmetric invariant pairing  $\kappa \in \text{Sym}^2(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}}$  this form determines a bilinear local functional

$$\phi_{\kappa, \omega}(\alpha) = \int_{\Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2} \omega \wedge \kappa(\alpha, \partial\alpha)$$

on the local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2}$ . A similar calculation as in the previous example implies that the pushforward factorization algebra  $\pi_{i*} \mathbb{U}_{\phi_{\kappa, \omega}} \mathcal{G}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , is isomorphic to the two-dimensional Kac-Moody factorization algebra on the Riemann surface  $\Sigma_i$  with level equal to the Euler characteristic  $\chi(\Sigma_j)$ , where  $j \neq i$ . This result was alluded to in the work of Johansen in [?] where he showed that there exists a copy of the Kac-Moody chiral algebra inside the operators of a twist of the  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  supersymmetric multiplet (both the gauge and matter multiplets, in fact) on the Kähler manifold  $\Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2$ . In the next section we will see how the *two-dimensional* Kac-Moody factorization algebra embeds inside the operators of a holomorphic theory on a complex surface. This holomorphic theory is the twist (as we stated in the previous chapter) of the  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  multiplet. Thus, we obtain an enhancement of Johansen's result to a two-dimensional current algebra.

#### 4. HIGHER KAC-MOODY FACTORIZATION ALGEBRAS AS SYMMETRIES OF FIELD THEORIES

The main goal of the BV formalism developed in [?] is to rigorously construct quantum field theories using a combination of homological methods and a rigorous model for renormalization. A particular nicety of this approach is the ability to study *families* of field theories, which we will turn into an equivariant version of BV quantization, see Section ?? . In this section we will consider a family of QFT's parametrized by the moduli space of principal  $G$ -bundles. Our main result is to interpret a certain anomaly coming from BV quantization as a families index over  $\text{Bun}_G(X)$ . This anomaly is computed via an explicit Feynman diagrammatic calculation and is related to a local cocycle of the current algebra discussed in Section 1.3.1.

We interpret this result as a formal universal version of the Grothendieck-Riemann-Roch theorem over the moduli space of bundles. The main idea is that the local cocycles we have just discussed in Section 1.3.1 can be interpreted as characteristic classes on the (formal neighborhood) of the moduli space of  $G$ -bundles.

We will arrive at the result in a way that is local-to-global on spacetime which we formulate in terms of factorization algebras. The main them of Costello and Gwilliam's approach to QFT is that the observables of a QFT determine a factorization algebra. We study the associated family of factorization algebras associated to the family of QFT's over the moduli space of  $G$ -bundles. We will recollect a formulation of Noether's theorem for symmetries of a theory in terms of factorization algebras developed in Chapter 11 of [?]. The central object in this discussion is a "local index" which describes how the Kac-Moody factorization algebra acts on the observables of the QFT. Locally on spacetime we see how Noether's theorem provides a *free field realization* of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra generalizing that of the Kac-Moody vertex algebra in chiral conformal field theory [?].

We now give a brief summary of the results, with a background for the situation we consider. Suppose that  $P$  is a fixed holomorphic  $G$ -bundle on a complex manifold  $X$ . We have already seen how to express the formal deformation space of  $P$  inside of the moduli of  $G$ -bundles using the dg Lie algebra  $\mathcal{A}d(P)(X) = \Omega^{0,*}(X, \mathcal{A}d(P))$ . In particular, any Maurer-Cartan element of  $\mathcal{A}d(P)(X)$  defines a deformation of  $P$ . We have seen that there is a refinement of this dg Lie algebra to a local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$  whose enveloping factorization defines the higher Kac-Moody factorization algebra above. To any  $G$ -representation  $V$  we will define a holomorphic theory with fields  $\mathcal{E}_V$  that is equivariant for this local Lie algebra. Equivalently, we can think of  $\mathcal{E}_V$  as defining a family of theories over the formal completion of  $P$  in the moduli of  $G$ -bundles

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{E}_V|_{P'} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{E}_V \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \{P'\} & \longrightarrow & \text{Bun}_G(X)_P^\wedge. \end{array}$$

Over each fiber  $P'$  the theory  $\mathcal{E}_V|_{P'}$  is a *free* theory, so admits a canonical BV quantization. Our formulation of equivariant BV quantization is codification of the problem of gluing together these quantizations in a compatible way. We will show how this presents itself in the failure of the BV quantization to be a *flat* family. Our main result is the following.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $P$  be any principal  $G$ -bundle over a compact affine complex manifold  $X$  of dimension  $d$ . Suppose  $V$  is a  $G$ -representation. Then, the factorization homology  $\int_X \text{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}}$  defines a line bundle over the formal neighborhood of  $P$  inside of the moduli of  $G$ -bundles. Moreover, its first Chern class is*

$$c_1 \left( \int_X \text{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}} \right) = C \text{ch}_{d+1}^{\mathfrak{g}}(V)$$

*under the identification of  $\text{ch}_{d+1}^{\mathfrak{g}}(V)$  as a cohomology class on the formal neighborhood of  $P$  inside of the moduli of  $G$ -bundles in Equation (21) explained below. Here,  $C$  is some nonzero complex number.*

There is an elucidating geometric description of how the classes  $\text{ch}_{d+1}^{\mathfrak{g}}(V)$  appear: they describe curvatures of line bundles over the moduli of  $G$ -bundles. Let  $\text{Bun}_G(X)$  denote the moduli space of  $G$ -bundles on the complex  $d$ -fold  $X$ .<sup>4</sup> Over the space  $\text{Bun}_G(X) \times X$  there is the *universal*  $G$ -bundle. If  $P \rightarrow X$  is a  $G$ -bundle, the fiber over the point  $\{[P]\} \times X$  is precisely the  $G$ -bundle  $P \rightarrow X$ . This universal  $G$ -bundle is classified by a map  $f : \text{Bun}_G(X) \times X \rightarrow BG$ . Consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{Bun}_G(X) \times X & \\ \pi \swarrow & & \searrow f \\ \text{Bun}_G(X) & & BG \end{array}$$

where  $\pi : \text{Bun}_G(X) \times X \rightarrow \text{Bun}_G(X)$  denotes the projection. If  $\theta \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}} \cong H^{d+1}(G, \Omega^{d+1}) \subset H^{2d+2}(BG)$  then we obtain via push-pull in the diagram above

$$\int_{\pi} \circ f^* \theta \in H^2(\text{Bun}_G(X)).$$

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  denote the universal principal  $G$ -bundle. This is the  $G$ -bundle over  $\text{Bun}_G(X) \times X$  whose fiber over  $\{[P \rightarrow X]\} \times X$  is the principal  $G$ -bundle  $P \rightarrow X$  itself. Given any representation  $V$  we can define the vector bundle

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{P} \times^G V$$

over  $\text{Bun}_G(X) \times X$ . The fiber of this bundle over  $\{[P \rightarrow X]\} \times X$  is the associated vector bundle  $P \times^G V$ . We take the determinant of the derived pushforward of  $\mathcal{V}$  along  $\pi$  to obtain a line bundle  $\det(\mathbb{R}\pi_* \mathcal{V})$  on  $\text{Bun}_G(X)$ . We will see how the global observables  $\int_X \text{Obs}_{P,V}^{\mathfrak{g}}$  provide a formal version of this line bundle near a fixed principal bundle  $P$ . Moreover, if we naively apply the Grothendieck-Riemann-Roch theorem in this universal context one finds

$$c_1(\det(\mathbb{R}\pi_* \mathcal{V})) = \int_{\pi} \text{Td}_X \cdot \text{ch}(\mathcal{V}) \in H^2(\text{Bun}_G(X)).$$

In the case that  $X$  is affine, so that  $\text{Td}_X = 1$ , our theorem provides a proof of this formula using methods of perturbative QFT. To prove the theorem on a general complex manifold we need to take into account the action of holomorphic vector fields, which is the content of the next section.

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<sup>4</sup>For  $d > 1$  [?] have constructed a global smooth derived realization of this space, but its full structure will not be used in this discussion.

#### 4.1. Higher dimensional holomorphic classical field theories with holomorphic symmetries.

In this section, we consider a BV theory that is equivariant for the local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$  in the language of Section ?? Let  $V$  be any  $G$ -representation, and define the associated vector bundle  $\mathcal{V}_P = P \times^G V$  on  $X$ . The holomorphic theory we consider is based on the graded holomorphic vector bundle  $\mathcal{V}_P \oplus K_X \otimes \mathcal{V}_P^*[d-1]$ , where  $\mathcal{V}_P^*$  is the linear dual bundle. The fields of the associated free BV theory are

$$\mathcal{E}_{P,V} = \Omega^{0,*}(X, \mathcal{V}_P) \oplus \Omega^{d,*}(X, \mathcal{V}_P^*)[d-1].$$

This is simply the  $\beta\gamma$  system on  $X$  twisted by the vector bundle  $\mathcal{V}_P$ . The action functional is  $\int \langle \beta, \bar{\partial}\gamma \rangle_V$  where the pairing is between  $V$  and its dual. In particular, the theory  $\mathcal{E}_V$  is free. Let  $\text{Obs}_{P,V}^q$  denote the corresponding factorization algebra of quantum observables.

The action of  $\mathfrak{g}$  on  $V$  extends to an action of the local Lie algebra  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$  on this classical BV theory. To define this equivariance we need to prescribe a Noether current.

**Lemma 4.2.** *The local Noether current  $I^\mathfrak{g} \in \mathbb{C}_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{A}d(P)) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\text{loc}}(\mathcal{E}_{P,V})$  defined by*

$$I^\mathfrak{g}(\alpha, \gamma, \beta) = \int_X \langle \beta, \alpha \cdot \gamma \rangle_V$$

*satisfies the equivariant classical master equation*

$$(\mathbf{d}_\mathfrak{g} + \bar{\partial})I^\mathfrak{g} + \frac{1}{2}\{I^\mathfrak{g}, I^\mathfrak{g}\} = 0,$$

*where  $\mathbf{d}_\mathfrak{g}$  encodes the Lie algebra structure on  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$ . Hence,  $I^\mathfrak{g}$  gives  $\mathcal{E}_V$  the structure of a classical  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$ -equivariant theory.*

*Proof.* If  $\alpha$  is an element in  $\mathcal{A}d(P)$  and  $\gamma \in \Omega^{0,*}(X, \mathcal{V}_P)$  we define  $\alpha \cdot \gamma$  through the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module structure of  $\mathfrak{g}$  on  $V$  combined with the wedge product of Dolbeault forms. Note that  $I^\mathfrak{g}$  arises from holomorphic differential operators so that  $\bar{\partial}I^\mathfrak{g} = 0$ . From the definition of the bracket we see that for  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  one has  $\{\int \langle \beta, \alpha_1 \cdot \gamma \rangle, \int \langle \beta, \alpha_2 \cdot \gamma \rangle\} = \int \langle \beta, [\alpha_1, \alpha_2] \cdot \gamma \rangle$  which cancels the term coming from  $\mathbf{d}_\mathfrak{g}$ .  $\square$

**4.2. Anomalies obstructing quantization of the holomorphic symmetries.** The main technique we employ is equivariant BV quantization, which we have reviewed in Section ?. Our main result holds for a compact affine manifold, which we will view as coming from a quotient of an open set in affine space  $\mathbb{C}^d$ . Thus, we will mostly work with the theory defined on  $\mathbb{C}^d$  and afterwards deduce our main result on the quotient via descent. Thus, we will work with the  $\beta\gamma$  system

$$\mathcal{E}_V = \Omega^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d, V) \oplus \Omega^{d,*}(\mathbb{C}^d, V^*)[d-1]$$

where  $V$  is some  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module. The local Lie algebra which acts on this theory is  $\mathfrak{G} = \Omega^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d, \mathfrak{g})$ .

Our first step is to construct an equivariant effective prequantization. for the  $\mathfrak{G}$ -equivariant theory. As has been the case over and over again in this thesis, our situation for constructing the prequantization is vastly simplified since our theory comes from holomorphic data. Indeed, the equivariant  $\beta\gamma$  system is a holomorphic theory on  $\mathbb{C}^d$  so that we can apply Lemma ?. As an immediate corollary, the following definition is well-defined.

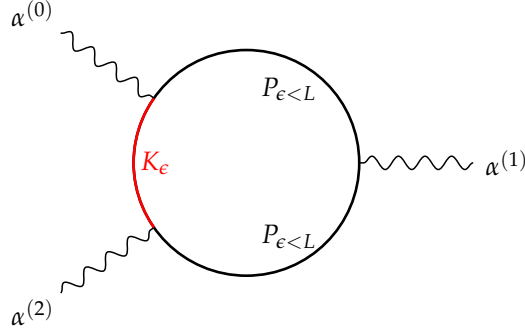


FIGURE 1. The diagram representing the weight  $W_{\Gamma,e}(P_{\epsilon < L}, K_\epsilon, I^\mathfrak{g})$  in the case  $d = 2$ . On the black internal edges we place the propagator  $P_{\epsilon < L}$  of the  $\beta\gamma$  system. On the red edge labeled by  $e$  we place the heat kernel  $K_\epsilon$ . The external edges are labeled by elements  $\alpha^{(i)} \in \Omega_c^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ .

**Definition 4.3.** For  $L > 0$ , let

$$I^\mathfrak{g}[L] := \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} W(P_{\epsilon < L}, I^\mathfrak{g}) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_{\Gamma} \frac{\hbar^{g(\Gamma)}}{|\text{Aut}(\Gamma)|} W_\Gamma(P_{\epsilon < L}, I^\mathfrak{g}).$$

Here the sum is over all isomorphism classes of stabled connected graphs, but only graphs of genus  $\leq 1$  contribute nontrivially. By construction, the collection satisfies the RG flow equation and its tree-level  $L \rightarrow 0$  limit is manifestly  $I^\mathfrak{g}$ . Hence  $\{I^\mathfrak{g}[L]\}_{L \in (0, \infty)}$  is a  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant prequantization.

Our next step is to compute the obstruction to quantization of the  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant theory. By definition, the scale  $L$  obstruction cocycle  $\Theta_V[L]$  is the failure for the interaction  $I^\mathfrak{g}[L]$  to satisfy the scale  $L$  equivariant quantum master equation. Explicitly, one has

$$\hbar \Theta_V[L] = (d_\mathfrak{g} + Q)I^\mathfrak{g}[L] + \hbar \Delta_L I^\mathfrak{g}[L] + \{I^\mathfrak{g}[L], I^\mathfrak{g}[L]\}_L.$$

A completely analogous argument as in Corollary 16.0.5 of [?] we see that the scale  $L$  obstruction is given by a sum over wheels.

**Lemma 4.4.** *Only wheels contribute to the anomaly cocycle  $\Theta_V[L]$ . Moreover, one has*

$$\Theta_V[L] = \sum_{\substack{\Gamma \in \text{Wheels} \\ e \in \text{Edge}(\Gamma)}} W_{\Gamma,e}(P_{\epsilon < L}, K_\epsilon, I^\mathfrak{g}),$$

where the sum is over wheels and distinguished edges. The notation  $W_{\Gamma,e}(P_{\epsilon < L}, K_\epsilon, I^\mathfrak{g}[\epsilon])$  means we place the propagator at all edges besides the distinguished one, where we place  $K_\epsilon$ .

The only fields that propagate are the  $\beta\gamma$  fields with values in  $V$ . Since all vertices are trivalent we see that the anomaly cocycle is only a functional of the background fields  $\mathcal{G}$ , see Figure 1.<sup>5</sup>

In particular, there is no obstruction to having an *action* by  $\mathcal{G}$ , only an obstruction to having an *inner action*. Concretely, the external edges of any closed wheel occurring in the expansion of the anomaly must be labeled by  $\mathcal{G}$ . As an immediate consequence we have the following.

<sup>5</sup>We use squiggly arrows for elements in  $\mathcal{G}$  to be consistent with usual physics conventions for gauge fields.

**Lemma 4.5.** *The effective family  $\{I^\mathfrak{g}[L]\}$  defines a one-loop exact  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant quantum field theory. In other words, it satisfies the  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant quantum master equation modulo functionals purely of the background fields  $\mathcal{G}$ .*

It follows that the anomaly  $\{\Theta[L]\}$  measures the obstruction to  $\{I^\mathfrak{g}[L]\}$  to defining an *inner* action.

**4.2.1. The anomaly calculation.** We now perform the main technical calculation of the anomaly cocycle.

**Proposition 4.6.** *The  $L \rightarrow 0$  limit of the anomaly cocycle  $\Theta = \lim_{L \rightarrow 0} \Theta_V[L] \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G})$  is of the form*

$$\Theta_V = C \cdot J_{\mathbb{C}^d}(\text{ch}_{d+1}^\mathfrak{g}(V)),$$

where  $\text{ch}_{d+1}^\mathfrak{g}(V) \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g}$  and where  $J_{\mathbb{C}^d} : \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathcal{G})$  is the map of Lemma 1.12 and where  $C$  some constant only depending on the dimension  $d$ .

To compute the anomaly we refer to the following result about the expression for the anomaly cocycle in terms of the Feynman diagram expansion. As a direct corollary of our general characterization of chiral anomalies, Lemma ??, we have the following result.

**Lemma 4.7.** *The limit  $\Theta_V := \lim_{L \rightarrow 0} \Theta_V[L]$  exists and is an element of degree one in  $C_{\text{Lie}}^*(W_n, C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathfrak{g}_n^{\mathbb{C}}))$ . Moreover, it is given by*

$$\Theta_V = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_{\substack{\Gamma \in (d+1)\text{-vertex wheels} \\ e \in \text{Edge}(\Gamma)}} W_{\Gamma, \epsilon}(P_{\epsilon < 1}, K_\epsilon, I^\mathfrak{g}[\epsilon]),$$

where the sum is over wheels  $\Gamma$  with  $(d+1)$  vertices and a distinguished inner edge  $e$ .

The lemma implies that we only need to consider the wheel with  $d+1$  vertices. Each trivalent vertex is labeled by both an analytic factor and Lie algebraic factor. The Lie algebraic part of each vertex can be thought of as the defining map of the representation  $\rho : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \text{End}(V)$ . The diagrammatic of the wheel amounts to taking the trace of the symmetric  $(d+1)$ st power of this Lie algebra factor. Thus, the Lie algebraic factor of the weight of the wheel is the  $(d+1)$ st component of the character of the representation

$$\text{ch}_{d+1}^\mathfrak{g}(V) = \frac{1}{(d+1)!} \text{Tr}(\rho(X)^{d+1}) \in \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*).$$

To finish the calculation we must compute the analytic weight of the wheel with  $d+1$  vertices. Recall, our goal is to identify the anomaly  $\Theta$  with the image of  $\text{ch}_{d+1}^\mathfrak{g}(V)$  under the map

$$J : \text{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow C_{\text{loc}}^*(\Omega^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d) \otimes \mathfrak{g})$$

that sends an element  $\theta$  to the local functional  $\int \theta(\alpha \partial \alpha \cdots \partial \alpha)$ . We have just seen that the Lie algebra factor in local functional representing the anomaly agrees with the  $(d+1)$ st Chern character. Thus, to finish we must show the following.

**Lemma 4.8.** *As a functional on the abelian dg Lie algebra  $\Omega^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d)$ , the analytic factor of the weight  $\lim_{L \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} W_{\Gamma, \epsilon}(P_{\epsilon < L}, K_\epsilon, I^\mathfrak{g})$  is equal to a multiple of the local functional*

$$\int \alpha \partial \alpha \cdots \partial \alpha \in C_{\text{loc}}^*(\Omega^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d)).$$



*Proof.* Let's fix some notation. We enumerate the vertices by integers  $a = 0, \dots, d$ . Label the coordinate at the  $i$ th vertex by  $z^{(a)} = (z_1^{(a)}, \dots, z_d^{(a)})$ . The incoming edges of the wheel will be denoted by homogeneous Dolbeault forms

$$\alpha^{(a)} = \sum_J A_J^{(a)} d\bar{z}_J^{(a)} \in \Omega_c^{0,*}(\mathbb{C}^d).$$

where the sum is over the multiindex  $J = (j_1, \dots, j_k)$  where  $j_a = 1, \dots, d$  and  $(0, k)$  is the homogeneous Dolbeault form type. For instance, if  $\alpha$  is a  $(0, 2)$  form we would write

$$\alpha = \sum_{j_1 < j_2} A_{(j_1, j_2)} d\bar{z}_{j_1} d\bar{z}_{j_2}.$$

Denote the functional obtained as the  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  weight of the wheel with  $(d+1)$  vertices from Lemma 4.7 by  $W_L$ . The  $L \rightarrow 0$  limit of  $W_L$  is the local functional representing the one-loop anomaly  $\Theta$ .

The weight has the form

$$W_L(\alpha^{(0)}, \dots, \alpha^{(d)}) = \pm \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{C}^{d(d+1)}} \left( \alpha^{(0)}(z^{(0)}) \cdots \alpha^{(d)}(z^{(d)}) \right) K_\epsilon(z^{(0)}, z^{(d)}) \prod_{a=1}^d P_{\epsilon, L}(z^{(a-1)}, z^{(a)}).$$

We introduce coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} w^{(0)} &= z^{(0)} \\ w^{(a)} &= z^{(a)} - z^{(a-1)} \quad 1 \leq a \leq d. \end{aligned}$$

The heat kernel and propagator part of the integral is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} K_\epsilon(w^{(0)}, w^{(d)}) \prod_{a=1}^d P_{\epsilon, L}(w^{(a-1)}, w^{(a)}) &= \frac{1}{(4\pi\epsilon)^d} \int_{t_1, \dots, t_d = \epsilon}^L \frac{dt_1 \cdots dt_d}{(4\pi t_1)^d \cdots (4\pi t_d)^d} \frac{1}{t_1 \cdots t_d} \\ &\times d^d w^{(0)} \prod_{i=1}^d (d\bar{w}_i^{(1)} + \cdots + d\bar{w}_i^{(d)}) \prod_{a=1}^d d^d w^{(a)} \left( \sum_{i=1}^d \bar{w}_i^{(a)} \prod_{j \neq i} d\bar{w}_j^{(a)} \right) \\ &\times e^{-\sum_{a,b=1}^d M_{ab} w^{(a)} \cdot \bar{w}^{(b)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $M_{ab}$  is the  $d \times d$  square matrix satisfying

$$\sum_{a,b=1}^d M_{ab} w^{(a)} \cdot \bar{w}^{(b)} = \left| \sum_{a=1}^d w^{(a)} \right|^2 / \epsilon + \sum_{a=1}^d |w^{(a)}|^2 / t_a.$$

Note that

$$\prod_{i=1}^d (d\bar{w}_i^{(1)} + \cdots + d\bar{w}_i^{(d)}) \prod_{a=1}^d \left( \sum_{i=1}^d \bar{w}_i^{(a)} \prod_{j \neq i} d\bar{w}_j^{(a)} \right) = \left( \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_d} \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_d} \prod_{a=1}^d \bar{w}_{i_a}^{(a)} \right) \prod_{a=1}^d d^d \bar{w}^{(a)}.$$

In particular, only the  $d\bar{w}_i^{(0)}$  components of  $\alpha^{(0)} \cdots \alpha^{(d)}$  can contribute to the weight.

For some compactly supported function  $\Phi$  we can write the weight as

$$\begin{aligned} W(\alpha^{(0)}, \dots, \alpha^{(d)}) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{C}^{d(d+1)}} \left( \prod_{a=0}^d d^d w^{(a)} d^d \bar{w}^{(a)} \right) \Phi \\ &\times \frac{1}{(4\pi\epsilon)^d} \int_{t_1, \dots, t_d = \epsilon}^L \frac{dt_1 \cdots dt_d}{(4\pi t_1)^d \cdots (4\pi t_d)^d} \frac{1}{t_1 \cdots t_d} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_d} \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_d} \bar{w}_{i_1}^{(1)} \cdots \bar{w}_{i_d}^{(d)} e^{-\sum_{a,b=1}^d M_{ab} w^{(a)} \cdot \bar{w}^{(b)}} \end{aligned}$$

Applying Wick's lemma in the variables  $w^{(1)}, \dots, w^{(d)}$ , together with some elementary analytic bounds, we find that the weight above becomes to the following integral over  $\mathbb{C}^d$

$$f(L) \int_{w^{(0)} \in \mathbb{C}^d} d^d w^{(0)} d^d \bar{w}^{(0)} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_d} \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_d} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{i_1}^{(1)}} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial w_{i_d}^{(d)}} \Phi \right) \Big|_{w^{(1)} = \dots = w^{(d)} = 0}$$

where

$$f(L) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{t_1, \dots, t_d = \epsilon}^L \frac{\epsilon}{(\epsilon + t_1 + \dots + t_d)^{d+1}} d^d t.$$

In fact,  $f(L)$  is independent of  $L$  and is equal to some nonzero constant  $C \neq 0$ . Finally, plugging in the forms  $\alpha^{(0)}, \dots, \alpha^{(d)}$ , we observe that the integral over  $w^{(0)} \in \mathbb{C}^d$  simplifies to

$$C \int_{\mathbb{C}^d} \alpha^{(0)} \partial \alpha^{(1)} \dots \partial \alpha^{(d)}$$

as desired.  $\square$

This completes the proof of Proposition 4.6.

**4.3. Identifying the local anomaly with a global characteristic class.** In this section we finish the proof of our main result Theorem 4.1 by showing how our local calculation above implies the formula for the anomaly on a general compact affine manifold  $X$ . By an complex affine manifold, we mean a quotient

$$q : U \subset \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow X$$

of an open subset  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^d$  by a free and proper action of a discrete subgroup of the affine group  $U(d) \ltimes \mathbb{C}^d$ . We consider affine manifolds that are also compact. To deduce our main theorem we will show that the theory and the anomaly above also exhibit equivariance for the affine group on  $\mathbb{C}^d$ , thus it will descend to any affine manifold.

We have stated the main result for an arbitrary principal  $G$ -bundle  $P$  on the affine manifold  $X$ . Suppose the discrete subgroup  $\Gamma \leq U(d) \ltimes \mathbb{C}^d$  defines the affine manifold  $q : U \rightarrow X = U/\Gamma$  as above. Then, principal  $G$ -bundles on  $X$  are equivalent to  $\Gamma$ -equivariant principal  $G$ -bundles on  $U$ .

Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be an arbitrary elliptic complex on  $X$ , and suppose the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{h}$  acts on  $\mathcal{E}$ . Since  $X$  is compact, the cohomology  $H^*(\mathcal{E}(X))$  is finite dimensional. It therefore makes sense to define the character of the action of  $\mathfrak{h}$  on  $H^*(\mathcal{E}(X))$ .

$$(18) \quad \chi_{\mathcal{E}} : \mathfrak{h} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad M \in \mathfrak{h} \mapsto \text{STr}_{H^*(\mathcal{E}(X))}(M).$$

Here,  $\text{STr}$  denotes the supertrace. The character factors through the determinant of the representation. For the graded character above, we must use the superdeterminant which we denote by  $\det(H^*(\mathcal{E}(X)))$ . Free BV quantization gives a natural field theoretic interpretation of this determinant.

**Proposition 4.9** ([?] Lemma 12.7.0.1). *Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be any elliptic complex on a compact manifold  $X$  and let  $T^*[-1]\mathcal{E}$  be the corresponding free BV theory given by the shifted cotangent bundle. Let  $\text{Obs}_{\mathcal{E}}^q$  be the factorization algebra of quantum observables of this theory. Then, there is an isomorphism*

$$H^*(\text{Obs}_{\mathcal{E}}^q(X)) \cong \det H^*(\mathcal{E}(X))[n]$$

where  $n$  is the Euler characteristic of  $\mathcal{E}(X)$  modulo 2.

*Remark 4.10.* In [?] they prove that an abstracted version of linear BV quantization behaves like a determinant over formal moduli problems. An immediate consequence is that given a classical theory with an action of a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ , the BV quantization as we consider produces a line bundle over the moduli space  $B\mathfrak{g}$ . Our calculation of the obstruction produces a calculation in terms of Feynman diagrams of the first Chern class of this line bundle.

Notice that the classical free theory  $\mathcal{E}_V$  is equivariant for the affine group  $U(d) \ltimes \mathbb{C}^d$ . Thus, it defines a classical theory on any affine manifold  $X$ . This theory is free and of the form

$$\mathcal{E}_V(X) = T^*[-1](\Omega^{0,*}(X, V))$$

where  $T^*[-1]$  denotes the shifted cotangent bundle. Thus, the global quantum observables satisfy

$$(19) \quad H^*(\text{Obs}_V^q(X)) = \det \left( H^*(X, \mathcal{O}^{hol}) \otimes V \right)$$

In Section 4.1 we have showed how the classical theory  $\mathcal{E}_V$  has an action by the local Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}_X$ . This arose from an action of  $\mathfrak{g}(X) = \Omega^{0,*}(X, \mathfrak{g})$  on the elliptic complex  $\Omega^{0,*}(X, V)$ . At the level of cohomology we have an action of  $H^*(\mathfrak{g}(X))$  on  $H^*(\Omega^{0,*}(X, V))$  and hence a character  $\chi_V$  as in Equation (18) which is an element in  $H_{red}^*(\mathfrak{g}(X))$ .

The local Lie algebra cohomology of any local Lie algebra embeds inside its ordinary (reduced) Lie algebra cohomology of global sections  $C_{loc}^*(\mathcal{L}(X)) \subset C_{Lie,red}^*(\mathcal{L}(X))$ . The character (18) is an element in  $H_{red}^*(\mathcal{L}(X))$ . As an immediate corollary of [?] Theorem 12.6.0.1 we have the following relationship between the anomaly cocycle and the character.

**Proposition 4.11.** *Suppose  $\mathcal{L}$  is a local Lie algebra that acts on the elliptic complex  $\mathcal{E}$  on a compact manifold  $X$ . Let  $\Theta_{\mathcal{E}} \in C_{loc}^*(\mathcal{L})$  be the local cocycle measuring the failure to satisfy the  $\mathcal{L}$ -equivariant classical master equation (that is, the obstruction to having an inner action). Then, its global cohomology class satisfies  $[\Theta_{\mathcal{E}}(X)] = \chi_{\mathcal{E}} \in C_{Lie,red}^*(\mathcal{L}(X))$  where  $\chi_{\mathcal{E}}$  is the trace of the action of  $H^*(\mathcal{L}(X))$  on  $H^*(\mathcal{E}(X))$ .*

For the case of  $\mathcal{L} = \mathfrak{g}_X$  we have an embedding of cochain complexes

$$C_{loc}^*(\mathfrak{g}(X)) \hookrightarrow C_{Lie,red}^*(\mathfrak{g}(X)) = C_{Lie,red}^*(\Omega^{0,*}(X) \otimes \mathfrak{g}).$$

By Kodaira-Spencer theory have already seen that the global sections of the local Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}(X)$  is a model for the formal neighborhood of the trivial  $G$ -bundle inside of  $G$ -bundles. In particular, the  $\mathfrak{g}(X)$ -module of quantum observables defines a line bundle  $\int_X \text{Obs}_{\mathcal{E}_V}^q$  over this formal neighborhood. Its character as a  $\mathfrak{g}(X)$ -module is identified with the first Chern class of the corresponding line bundle  $\chi_{\mathcal{E}}(\text{Obs}_V^q(X)) = c_1(\int_X \text{Obs}_V^q)$ .

Now, notice that the one-loop quantization we constructed in the previous section, as well as the anomaly cocycle  $\Theta_V \in C_{loc}^*(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}^d})$  are equivariant for the group  $U(d) \ltimes \mathbb{C}^d$ . Thus, they descend to the global sections of  $C_{loc}^*(\mathfrak{g}_X)$  for any affine manifold  $X$ . Explicitly, if  $\Gamma \subset U(d) \ltimes \mathbb{C}^d$  is the discrete subgroup such that  $X = U/\Gamma$  where  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^d$ , then under the isomorphism

$$C_{loc}^*(\mathfrak{g}(X)) \cong C_{loc}^*(\mathfrak{g}(U))^\Gamma$$

we have  $\Theta_V(X) \leftrightarrow \Theta_V(U)$ .

Further, we have an identification

$$C_{Lie,red}^*(\Omega^{0,*}(X) \otimes \mathfrak{g}) = \mathcal{O}_{red}(\text{Bun}_G(X)_{triv}^\wedge) \cong \Omega_{cl}^1(\text{Bun}_G(X)_{triv}^\wedge)$$

where we have used the equivalence of reduced functions and closed one-forms which makes sense on any formal moduli space. At the level of  $H^1$  we have the composition

$$(20) \quad \mathrm{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}} \xrightarrow{J_P^X} H_{\mathrm{loc}}^1(\mathcal{G}(X)) \rightarrow H^1(\Omega_{cl}^1(\mathrm{Bun}_G(X)_{triv}^\wedge)).$$

As a corollary of Proposition 4.11 and our calculation of the local anomaly cocycle we see that the image of  $\mathrm{ch}_{d+1}^{\mathfrak{g}}(V)$  is equal to  $[\Theta_V(X)] = [c_1(\int_X \mathrm{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}})]$ .

The same holds when we work around any holomorphic principal bundle  $P$  on  $X$ , so that we have an embedding of cochain complexes

$$C_{\mathrm{loc}}^*(\mathrm{Ad}(P)(X)) \hookrightarrow \Omega_{cl}^1(\mathrm{Bun}_G(X)_P^\wedge).$$

which determines a composition

$$(21) \quad \mathrm{Sym}^{d+1}(\mathfrak{g}^*)^{\mathfrak{g}} \xrightarrow{J_P^X} H_{\mathrm{loc}}^1(\mathrm{Ad}(P)(X)) \rightarrow H^1(\Omega_{cl}^1(\mathrm{Bun}_G(X)_P^\wedge)).$$

Since every principal  $G$ -bundle  $P$  on  $X$  is trivial when we pull it back to  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^d$ , the above local anomaly calculation proves that  $[c_1(\int_X \mathrm{Obs}_{P,V}^{\mathfrak{g}})] = \mathrm{Cch}_{d+1}^{\mathfrak{g}}(V)$  in this case as well. This completes the proof of Theorem 4.1.

**4.4. A vacuum module for the higher Kac-Moody algebras.** The last part of this section we diverge to deduce a consequence of the quantum Noether theorem using our analysis above by exhibiting a module for the higher affine algebras from the previous section. For convenience, we fix the trivial  $\mathfrak{g}$ -bundle  $P = \mathrm{triv}$  so that  $\mathrm{Ad}(P) = \mathcal{G}_X$ .

On any manifold  $X$ , the quantum Noether theorem, Theorem 12.1.0.1 of [?], provides a map of factorization algebras

$$\Phi_X : \mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{G}_X) \rightarrow \mathrm{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}},$$

for some  $\alpha \in H_{\mathrm{loc}}^1(\mathcal{G}_X)$ . The factorization algebra  $\mathrm{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the quantum observables of the  $\beta\gamma$  system on  $X$  with values in the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -module  $V$ . This is a free field theory, thus the above map has the flavor of a *free field realization* of the Kac-Moody factorization algebra. In particular when  $X = \mathbb{C}^d$ , or any affine manifold, the calculation above shows that there is a map of factorization algebras

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{C}^d} : \mathbb{U}_{\mathrm{ch}_{d+1}(V)}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}}.$$

Next, consider the case  $X = \mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}$ . By functoriality of pushforwards, the quantum Noether theorem produces a map of one-dimensional factorization algebras

$$\rho_*\Phi : \rho_*\mathbb{U}_{\mathrm{ch}_{d+1}(V)}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathbb{C}^d \setminus \{0\}}) \rightarrow \rho_*\mathrm{Obs}_V^{\mathfrak{g}}.$$

We have exhibited a locally constant dense subfactorization algebra  $\mathcal{F}_{1d}^{lc}$  of  $\rho_*\mathbb{U}_\alpha(\mathcal{G}_X)$  which is equivalent, as an  $E_1$ -algebra, to  $U_{\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\mathrm{ch}_{d+1}(V)}}$ . Similarly, in Section 2 we have shown that there is a locally constant dense subfactorization algebra that is equivalent to the dg algebra  $\mathcal{A}_V$ .

The map  $\rho_*\Phi$  restricts to these dense subfactorization algebras and so defines a map of  $E_1$  algebras

$$\rho_*\Phi : U_{\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\mathrm{ch}_{d+1}(V)}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_V.$$

Also, in Section ?? we have shown how the disk operators  $\mathcal{V}_V$  form a module, through the factorization product, for the dg algebra  $\mathcal{A}_V$ . This is essentially the Fock module of the algebra  $\mathcal{A}_V$ ,

thus we should view the above map  $\rho_*\Phi$  as being a higher dimensional analog of the “free field realization” for the higher dimensional affine algebras.

Further, by induction along the map  $\rho_*\Phi$ , we obtain the following.

**Proposition 4.12.** *The map  $\rho_*\Phi$  endows the space  $\mathcal{V}_V$  with the structure of a module over the  $E_1$ -algebra  $U\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\text{ch}_{d+1}}(V)$ . Equivalently,  $\mathcal{V}_V$  is an  $A_\infty$ -module for  $U\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{d,\text{ch}_{d+1}}(V)$ .*

The module  $\mathcal{V}_V$  is the prototype for a higher dimensional version of the vacuum Verma module for ordinary affine algebras. It is enticing to construct the higher excitation Verma modules as dg modules for the higher affine algebras we’ve considered in this thesis. We do not do that here, but hope to return to it in future work.