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## The Casimir Element and the Whitehead Lemmas





Let L be a Lie algebra and  $\rho\colon L\to \mathfrak{gl}(V)$  a (finite-dimensional, complex) representation. Associated to this representation there is an associated symmetric bilinear form  $B_\rho\colon L\times L\to \mathbb{C}$ , defined by

$$B_{\rho}(x,y) = \operatorname{Tr} (\rho(x) \circ \rho(y)).$$

Recall that a bilinear form  $B_{\rho}$  is said to be **nondegenerate** if the only  $x \in L$  for which  $B_{\rho}(x,y) = 0$  for all  $y \in L$  is x = 0.

In this problem we will see how to use  $B_{\rho}$ , at least when L is semisimple and  $\rho$  is faithful, in order to prove two very useful results, known as the Whitehead lemmas.



**Problem 1.** Show that  $B_{\rho}$  is associative, so that for all  $x, y, z \in L$ ,

$$B_{\rho}([x,y],z) = B_{\rho}(x,[y,z]).$$

*Proof.* This is a straightforward calculation:

$$\begin{split} B_{\rho}([x,y],z) &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho([x,y]) \circ \rho(z) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( [\rho(x),\rho(y)] \circ \rho(z) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( [\rho(x),\rho(y)\rho(z) - \rho(y)\rho(x)\rho(z) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\rho(y)\rho(z) - \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(y)\rho(x)\rho(z) \right) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\rho(y)\rho(z) \right) - \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\rho(z)\rho(y) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\rho(y)\rho(z) - \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\rho(z)\rho(y) \right) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\rho(y)\rho(z) - \rho(x)\rho(z)\rho(y) \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\circ[\rho(y),\rho(z)] \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\circ[\rho(y),\rho(z)] \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x)\circ\rho([y,z]) \right) \\ &= B_{\rho}(x,[y,z]). \end{split} \text{ Victoria!}$$

**Problem 2.** Let L be semisimple and let  $\rho$  be faithful. Then show that  $B_{\rho}$  is nondegenerate as follows:

a) Show that

$$J = \{ x \in L \mid B_{\rho}(x, y) = 0 \ \forall y \in L \}$$

is an ideal.

b) Show that J is solvable and hence, since L is semisimple, that J=0.

*Proof of a*). We take  $x \in J$  and  $y \in L$ , so that we need to show  $[x,y] \in J$ . Let  $z \in L$  also; then

$$\begin{split} B_{\rho}([x,y],z) &= B_{\rho}(x,[y,z]) \\ &= 0 \\ &\Rightarrow [x,y] \in J, \end{split} \tag{Since } x \in J \text{ and } [y,z] \in L) \end{split}$$

thus showing that J is indeed an ideal.

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Proof of b). Let  $x,y,z\in J$ , and consider the image  $\rho(J)$ , which is a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{gl}(V)$ . Then, by Cartan's Criterion, we have that since  $\mathrm{Tr}\,(\rho([x,y])\circ\rho(z))=\mathrm{Tr}\,([\rho(x),\rho(y)])\circ\rho(z))=0$  for all  $[\rho(x),\rho(y)]\in\rho(J)$ ' and  $z\in\rho(J)$ , then  $\rho(J)$  must be solvable. But, since  $\rho$  is faithful, we have that  $\rho(J)\cong J$ , and thus J is also solvable. Then, as remarked on the problem, since L is semisimple, J must be trivial.

From now on let L be semisimple and  $\rho\colon L\to \mathfrak{gl}(V)$  any representation. Let I be the (unique) ideal complementary to  $\ker\rho$ . Then  $\rho|_I$  is a faithful representation of I. Let  $x_1,\ldots,x_n$  be any basis for I and let  $y_1,\ldots,y_n$  be the dual basis relative to  $B_\rho$ ; that is,

$$B_{\rho}(x_i, y_j) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Problem 3.** Let  $x \in L$  be a fixed element and let us define complex numbers  $\alpha_{ij}$  and  $\beta_{ij}$  by

$$[x,x_i] = \sum_j lpha_{ij} x_j$$
 and  $[x,y_i] = \sum_j eta_{ij} y_j.$ 

Show that  $\beta_{ij} = -\alpha_{ji}$ .

Proof. We have

$$B_{\rho}([x, x_i], y_j) = B_{\rho}\left(\sum_{j} \alpha_{ij} x_j, y_j\right)$$
$$= \sum_{j} \alpha_{ij} \underbrace{B_{\rho}(x_j, y_j)}_{=1 \forall j}.$$

But  $B_{\rho}$  is symmetric; therefore we must have  $B_{\rho}([x,x_i],y_j)=B_{\rho}(y_j,[x,x_i])$ . Now,

$$B_{\rho}(y_{j},[x,x_{i}]) = B_{\rho}([y_{j},x],x_{i}])$$
 (By associativity established in Q1) 
$$= B_{\rho}(-[x,y_{j}],x_{i}])$$
 
$$= B_{\rho}\left(-\sum_{i}\beta_{ji}y_{i},x_{i}\right)$$
 
$$= -\sum_{i}\beta_{ji}\underbrace{B_{\rho}\left(y_{i},x_{i}\right)}_{-1\forall i}.$$

This establishes that, for all  $i,j\in\{1,\ldots,n\}$ , we have  $\alpha_{ij}=-\beta_{ji}$  (or, equivalently,  $-\alpha_{ji}=\beta_{ij}$ ), as desired. Victoria!

**Problem 4.** Define the **Casimir element**  $C_{\rho}:=\sum_{i}\rho(x_{i})\circ\rho(y_{i})$  and prove that it satisfies the following properties:

- a)  $C_{\rho}$  is independent of the basis.
- b)  $C_{\rho} \circ \rho(x) = \rho(x) \circ C_{\rho}$  for all  $x \in L$ .
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  ho$ , and hence if ho is irreducible (and V
  eq 0), that

$$C_{\rho} = \frac{\dim L - \dim \ker \rho}{\dim V} \operatorname{Id}_{V}.$$

*Proof of a*). Let  $\widetilde{x}_1, \ldots, \widetilde{x}_n$  be any other basis for I with dual basis  $\widetilde{y}_1, \ldots, \widetilde{y}_n$ . Then there are rotation matrices  $\Lambda = (\lambda_{ij})$  and  $\Gamma = (\gamma_{ij})$  such that

$$\widetilde{x}_i = \sum_j \lambda_{ij} x_j$$
 and  $\widetilde{y}_i = \sum_j \gamma_{ij} y_j$ . (4)

But then, since  $x_j$  is dual to  $y_j$ , ( $\spadesuit$ ) shows that the condition that  $\widetilde{y}_i$  is the basis dual  $\widetilde{x}_i$  is precisely that  $\Lambda^{-1} = \Gamma^T$ :

$$1 = B_{\rho}(\widetilde{x}_{i}, \widetilde{y}_{i})$$

$$= B_{\rho}\left(\sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} x_{j}, \sum_{j} \gamma_{ij} y_{j}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} \gamma_{ij} \underbrace{B_{\rho}(x_{j}, y_{j})}_{=1}$$

$$= \sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} \gamma_{ij}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda_{ij})^{-1} = (\gamma_{ij})^{T}.$$

It follows then that the Casimir operator is independent of the chosen basis, i.e.,  $\sum_i \rho(\widetilde{x}_i) \circ \rho(\widetilde{y}_i) = \sum_i \rho(x_i) \circ \rho(y_i)$ , as desired. Victoria!

*Proof of b*). This is equivalent tp showing that the bracket  $[\rho(x), C_{\rho}(x)]$  vanishes. We have

$$\begin{split} [\rho(x),C_{\rho}] &= [\rho(x),\sum_{i}\rho(x_{i})\circ\rho(y_{i})] \\ &= \sum_{i}\left([\rho(x),\rho(x_{i})]\rho(y_{i}) + \rho(x_{i})[\rho(x),\rho(y_{i})]\right) \\ &= \sum_{i}\left(\rho([x,x_{i}])\rho(y_{i}) + \rho(x_{i})\rho([x,y_{i}])\right) \\ &= \sum_{i}\left(\rho\left(\sum_{j}\alpha_{ij}x_{j}\right)\rho(y_{i}) + \rho(x_{i})\rho\left(\sum_{j}\beta_{ij}y_{j}\right)\right) \\ &= \sum_{ij}\left(\alpha_{ij}\rho\left(x_{j}\right)\rho(y_{i}) + \beta_{ij}\rho(x_{i})\rho\left(y_{j}\right)\right) \\ &= \sum_{ij}\left(\alpha_{ij}\rho\left(x_{j}\right)\rho(y_{i}) - \alpha_{ji}\rho(x_{i})\rho\left(y_{j}\right)\right) \\ &= \sum_{ij}\left(\alpha_{ij}\rho\left(x_{j}\right)\rho(y_{i}) - \alpha_{ij}\rho(x_{j})\rho\left(y_{i}\right)\right) \\ &= 0. \end{split} \tag{By Q3}$$

Note that (†) comes from the fact that [x,yz]=[x,y]z+y[x,z] for  $x,y,z\in\mathfrak{gl}(V)$ . Thus we have shown that  $\rho(x)$  and  $C_{\rho}$  commute for all  $x\in L$ , as desired. Victoria!

Proof of c). We have

$$\operatorname{Tr} C_{\rho} = \operatorname{Tr} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho(x_{i}) \circ \rho(y_{i}) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{Tr} \left( \rho(x_{i}) \circ \rho(y_{i}) \right) \qquad \text{(By linearity of Tr)}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_{\rho}(x_{i}, y_{i})$$

$$= n = \dim I = \operatorname{codim} \ker \rho.$$

Now, since we are dealing with an algebraically closed field ( $\mathbb C$ ), by *Schur's Lemma* we must have that any endomorphism of an irreducible representation is a scalar multiple of the identity map. Thus, if  $(V,\rho)$  is irreducible, the Casimir operator must satisfy  $C_{\rho}=\lambda\operatorname{Id}_{V}$  for some scalar  $\lambda$ . Now,

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\lambda \operatorname{Id}_V) = \lambda \operatorname{Tr} \operatorname{Id}_V$$
 (By linearity of  $\operatorname{Tr}$ )
$$= \lambda \operatorname{dim} V.$$

and by the result above we have that  $\operatorname{Tr} C_{\rho} = \dim I$ .

Hence,

$$C_{
ho} = \lambda \operatorname{Id}_{V}$$

$$\operatorname{Tr} C_{
ho} = \operatorname{Tr} (\lambda \operatorname{Id}_{V})$$

$$\dim I = \lambda \dim V$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\dim I}{\dim V}.$$
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**Problem 5.** Let  $f: L \to V$  be a linear map satisfying the "co-cycle condition"

$$f([x,y]) = x \cdot f(y) - y \cdot f(x), \tag{1}$$

where, here and in what follows, we use the shorthand  $x\cdot v$  to mean  $\rho(x)(v)$ , for  $x\in L$  and  $v\in V$ . Show that there exists  $v\in V$  such that  $f(x)=x\cdot v$  for all  $x\in L$ , as follows:

- a) First assume that V has a proper submodule  $U \subsetneq V$  with quotient W = V/U. Show that if the result holds for U and W, then it also holds for V.
- b) By induction on  $\dim V$ , we are done if we prove the result when V is irreducible. Since there is nothing to prove when the representation is trivial (the co-cycle condition says f(x)=0, so we can take v=0), assume that  $\rho$  is irreducible and nontrivial. By Q4(c),  $C_{\rho}$  is invertible. Show then that v, defined by  $C_{\rho} \cdot v = \sum_i x_i \cdot f(y_i)$ , does the job.

*Proof of a*). We start by composing the canonical projection  $\pi \colon V \to V/U := W$  that sends  $v \mapsto v + U$  with f:

$$L \xrightarrow{f} V \xrightarrow{\pi} W$$
,

and we now show that this composition  $\pi \circ f$  does satisfy the co-cycle condition (1):

$$(\pi \circ f)([x, y]) = \pi(x \cdot f(y) - y \cdot f(x))$$

$$= (x \cdot f(y) - y \cdot f(x)) + U$$

$$= (x \cdot f(y) + U) - (y \cdot f(x) + U)$$

$$= x \cdot (f(y) + U) - y \cdot (f(x) + U)$$

$$= x \cdot (\pi \circ f)(y) - y \cdot (\pi \circ f)(x).$$

Then, since  $\pi\circ f\colon L\to W$  satisfies (1), by assumption there exists a  $w+U\in W$  such that  $(\pi\circ f)(x)=x\cdot (w+U)$  for all  $x\in L$ . Now choose an element  $\overline{w}\in \pi^{-1}(w+U)\subset V$  and define a new linear map

$$g: L \longrightarrow V$$
  
 $x \longmapsto f(x) - x \cdot \overline{w},$ 

so that the image of the composite map  $\pi \circ g$  (and, consequently, the image of g also) is entirely contained in U:

$$(\pi \circ g)(x) = \pi(f(x) - x \cdot \overline{w})$$

$$= \pi(f(x)) - \pi(x \cdot \overline{w})$$

$$= x \cdot (w + U) - x \cdot \pi(\overline{w})$$

$$= x \cdot (w + U) - x \cdot (w + U)$$

$$= U.$$

Now define a new function  $\Xi \colon L \to U$  sending  $x \mapsto g(x)$  (we showed above that  $\mathrm{Im}(g) \subseteq U$ ), and we show that this map also satisfies the co-cycle condition:

Let  $x, y \in L$ ; then,

$$\begin{split} \Xi([x,y]) &= g([x,y]) \\ &= f([x,y]) - [x,y] \cdot \overline{w} \\ &= x \cdot f(y) - y \cdot f(x) - x \cdot (y \cdot \overline{w}) + y \cdot (x \cdot \overline{w}) \\ &= x \cdot (f(y) - y \cdot \overline{w}) - y \cdot (f(x) - x \cdot \overline{w}) \\ &= x \cdot g(y) - y \cdot g(x) \\ &= x \cdot \Xi(y) - y \cdot \Xi(x). \end{split}$$

As  $\ \Xi$  satisfies the cocycle condition, by assumption there exists a  $u \in U$  such that  $\ \Xi(x) = x \cdot u$  for all  $x \in L$ . However, this means that  $\ \Xi(x) = x \cdot u = f(x) - x \cdot \overline{w}$ , so

$$f(x) = x \qquad \underbrace{(u + \overline{w})}_{= v \text{ for some } v \in V}$$

Therefore there does exists an element  $v \in V$  such that  $f(x) = x \cdot v$  for all  $x \in L$ . Victoria!

*Proof of b*). The goal is to show that there exists a  $v \in V$  that satisfies  $f(x) = x \cdot v$  or, equivalently,  $(x \cdot v - f(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in L$ . Consider  $C_{\rho} \circ (x \cdot v - f(x)) = C_{\rho} \circ (x$ 

$$\begin{split} C_{\rho} \circ (x \cdot v) &= C_{\rho} \circ (\rho(x)(v)) \\ &= (C_{\rho} \circ \rho(x))(v) \\ &= (\rho(x) \circ C_{\rho})(v) \\ &= x \cdot (C_{\rho}(v)). \end{split} \tag{By 4b)}$$

In addition, for all  $x, y, z \in L$  we have

$$\rho(x) \circ \rho(y) \circ f(z) = \rho(x) \circ (y \cdot f(z))$$
$$= x \cdot (y \cdot f(z)).$$

Thus, combining these results, we get

$$C_{\rho} \circ (x \cdot v - f(x)) = x \cdot (C_{\rho}(v)) - C_{\rho} \circ f(x)$$

$$= x \cdot \left(\sum_{i} x_{i} \cdot f(y_{i})\right) - \sum_{i} (\rho(x_{i}) \circ \rho(y_{i})) \circ f(x)$$

$$= \sum_{i} x \cdot (x_{i} \cdot f(y_{i})) - \sum_{i} x_{i} \cdot (y_{i} \cdot f(x))$$

$$= \sum_{i} (x \cdot (x_{i} \cdot f(y_{i})) - x_{i} \cdot (y_{i} \cdot f(x)) + x_{i} \cdot (x \cdot (f(y_{i}))) - x_{i} \cdot (x \cdot (f(y_{i})))$$

$$= \sum_{i} (x \cdot (x_{i} \cdot f(y_{i})) - x_{i} \cdot (x \cdot (f(y_{i}))) - x_{i} \cdot (y_{i} \cdot f(x)) + x_{i} \cdot (x \cdot (f(y_{i})))$$

$$= \sum_{i} ([x, x_{i}] \cdot f(y_{i}) - x_{i} \cdot (y_{i} \cdot f(x) - x \cdot f(y_{i}))$$

$$= \sum_{i} ([x, x_{i}] \cdot f(y_{i}) - x_{i} \cdot f([y_{i}, x]))$$

$$= \sum_{i} ([x, x_{i}] \cdot f(y_{i}) + x_{i} \cdot f([x, y_{i}]))),$$

$$= \sum_{i} \left(\sum_{j} \alpha_{ij} x_{j} \cdot f(y_{i}) + x_{i} \cdot f\left(\sum_{j} \beta_{ij} y_{j}\right)\right),$$

$$= \sum_{i} \left(\alpha_{ij} (x_{j} \cdot f(y_{i})) + \beta_{ij} (x_{i} \cdot f(y_{j}))),$$

$$= \sum_{i} (\alpha_{ij} (x_{j} \cdot f(y_{i})) - \alpha_{ji} (x_{i} \cdot f(y_{j}))) = 0.$$

Therefore  $C_{\rho}\circ (x\cdot v-f(x))=0$ . We know from Q4(c) that  $C_{\rho}$  is invertible, so composing both sides by  $(C_{\rho})^{-1}$  on the left gives  $(x\cdot v-f(x))=0$ , so that  $f(x)=x\cdot v$ . Then, by induction on  $\dim(V)$ , the proof is complete.

## **Problem 6.** The following are two easy corollaries of the above result:

- a) Show that every derivation  $D\colon L\to L$  of a semisimple Lie algebra L is inner.
- **b)** Show that if  $\widehat{L}$  is a central extension of a semisimple Lie algebra L, then  $\widehat{L} \cong L \oplus \mathbb{C}$  as Lie algebras. (Hint: The bilinear form  $\omega \colon L \times L \to \mathbb{C}$  in the central extension defines a linear map  $f \colon L \to L^*$  by  $f(x)(y) = \omega(x,y)$  which obeys the co-cycle condition in Q5 for the co-adjoint representation  $L^*$ .)

*Proof of a)*. This is the same as saying that the map  $ad: L \to Der(L)$  is an isomorphism. Let  $ad(L)^{\perp}$  denote the orthogonal complement of ad(L) for the Killing form  $\kappa$  on Der(L), so

that it suffices to show that  $ad(L)^{\perp} = 0$ . We have

$$[\operatorname{ad}(L)^{\perp}, \operatorname{ad}(L)] \subset \operatorname{ad}(L)^{\perp} \cap \operatorname{ad}(L) = 0,$$

since ad(L) and  $ad(L)^{\perp}$  are both ideals in Der(L) and  $\kappa|_{ad(L)}$  is nondegenerate. Therefore, for  $x \in L$  and  $D \in ad(L)^{\perp}$ , we have

$$ad(Dx) = [D, ad(x)]$$
 (I show this on PQ3, Q5b))  
= 0.

But since ad:  $L \hookrightarrow Der(L)$  is an injection, we get

$$ad(Dx) = 0 \ \forall x \in L \implies Dx = 0 \ \forall x \in L \implies D = 0.$$

Therefore  $ad(L)^{\perp} = 0$ , and we have the desired result.

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*Proof of b*). From PQ3, Q4a), we know that  $\omega$  defines a central extension if and only if  $\omega \in Z^2(L;\mathbb{C})$ , which is the same as saying that it satisfies the Jacobi identity. Let f be as in the hint and  $x,y,z\in L$ ; then we have

$$\begin{split} \omega([x,y],z) &= (f([x,y]))(z) \\ &= (x \cdot f(y))(z) - (y \cdot f(x))(z) \\ &= -(f(y))(x \cdot z) + (f(x))(y \cdot z) \\ &= -\omega(y,x \cdot z) + \omega(x,y \cdot z). \end{split}$$

But, since  $\omega$  must satisfy the co-cyclic condition

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

this result shows that  $f\in Z^1(L;L^*)$  if and only if  $\omega\in Z^2(L;\mathbb{C})$ .

Recall that the bracket on a general central extension  $\hat{L}$  of L is given by  $[x,y]=[x,y]_L+\omega(x,y)Z$ . Thus, treating  $L\oplus\mathbb{C}$  as a central extension, it has bracket  $[x,y]=[x,y]_L+0Z$ , as  $\mathbb{C}$  is the trivial module.

Now, as  $\omega$  defines a central extension, f must then satisfy the co-cyclic condition and hence there is a  $g\in L^*$  such that  $f(x)(-)=x\cdot g(-)$ , for all  $x\in L$ . In PQ3, Q3b) we proved that, if  $\omega_1-\omega_2=\partial_1\zeta$  for some  $\zeta\in C^1(L;\mathbb{C})$ , then the two central extensions defined by  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  must be isomorphic. Note that we have

$$\omega(x,y) = (f(x))(y) = x \cdot g(y) = -g([x,y]) = (\partial_1 g)(x,y) \qquad \forall x,y \in L.$$

Then it is true that there exists a  $\zeta$  (namely, g in this case) such that  $\omega - 0 = (\partial_1 \zeta)$ . So the extension by  $\omega$  and 0 are isomorphic, proving that  $\hat{L} \cong L \oplus \mathbb{C}$ , as desired. Victoria!

**Problem 7.** Let  $\omega\colon L\times L\to V$  be a bilinear map satisfying the "co-cycle conditions":  $\omega(x,x)=0$  for all  $x\in L$  and

$$x \cdot \omega(y, z) + \omega(x, [y, z]) + \operatorname{cyclic}(x, y, z) = 0, \tag{2}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in L$ . Show that there exists a linear map  $\theta \colon L \to V$  such that

$$\omega(x, y) = x \cdot \theta(y) - y \cdot \theta(x) - \theta([x, y]),$$

as follows:

- a) First assume that V has a proper submodule  $U \subsetneq V$  with quotient W = V/U. Show that if the result holds for U and W, then it also holds for V.
- b) By induction on  $\dim V$ , we are done if we prove the result when V is irreducible. Since Q6(b) takes care of the case when the representation is trivial, we can assume that  $\rho$  is irreducible and nontrivial. By Q4(c),  $C_{\rho}$  is invertible. If we write the (second) co-cycle condition as  $(\partial \omega)(x,y,z)=0$ , expand the equation  $\sum_i x_i \cdot (\partial \omega)(x,y,y_i)=0$  and show that  $\theta$  defined by  $C_{\rho} \cdot \theta(x)=\sum_i \cdot \omega(y_i,x)$  for all  $x \in L$  does the job.

Draft of sketch of proof of **a**) As on Q5a), we start by composing the canonical projection  $\pi: V \to V/U := W$  that sends  $v \mapsto v + U$  with  $\omega$ :

$$L \times L \xrightarrow{\omega} V \xrightarrow{\pi} W$$
,

and we now show that this composition  $\pi \circ \omega$  does satisfy the co-cycle condition (2):

$$\begin{split} (\pi \circ \omega)(x,[y,z]) &= \pi(-x \cdot \omega(y,z) - \operatorname{cyclic}(x,y,z)) \\ &= -x \cdot \omega(y,z) - \operatorname{cyclic}(x,y,z) + U \\ &= (-x \cdot \omega(y,z) + U) - (\operatorname{cyclic}(x,y,z) + U) \\ &= -x \cdot (\omega(y,z) + U) - (\operatorname{cyclic}(x,y,z) + U) \\ &= -x \cdot (\pi \circ \omega)(y,z) - (\pi \circ \operatorname{cyclic}(x,y,z)). \end{split}$$

Then, since  $\pi\circ\omega\colon L\times L\to W$  satisfies (2), by assumption there exists a linear map  $\theta_W$  and  $w+U\in W$  such that

$$w + U = \pi \circ \omega(x, y) = x \cdot \theta_W(y) - y \cdot \theta_W(x) - \theta_W([x, y]) \ \forall x, y \in L.$$

Now choose an element  $\overline{w} \in \pi^{-1}(w+U) \subset V$  and define a new bilinear map

$$\varpi \colon L \times L \longrightarrow V$$

$$(x,y) \longmapsto \omega(x,y) - x \cdot \theta_W(y) - y \cdot \theta_W(x) - \theta_W([x,y]).$$

I must apologize, but I just ran out of time before I finished working through this problem ©. I'm literally typing this with just a few minutes left until we hit the deadline, so the clock wins this battle ... but not the war!