FROBENIUS MANIFOLDS FROM PRINCIPAL CLASSICAL $W$-ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. We obtain polynomial Frobenius manifolds from classical $W$-algebras associated to principal nilpotent elements in simple Lie algebras.

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1. Introduction

This work is a continuation of [6] where we began to develop a construction of algebraic Frobenius manifolds from Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction to support a Dubrovin conjecture.

A Frobenius manifold is a manifold $M$ with the structure of Frobenius algebra on the tangent space $T_t$ at any point $t \in M$ with certain compatibility conditions [11]. We say $M$ is semisimple or massive if $T_t$ is semisimple for generic $t$. This structure locally corresponds to a potential satisfying a system of partial differential equations known in topological field theory as the Witten-Dijkgraaf-Verlinde-Verlinde (WDVV) equations. We say $M$ is algebraic if, in the flat coordinates, the potential is an algebraic function. Dubrovin conjecture is stated as follows: Semisimple irreducible

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algebraic Frobenius manifolds with positive degrees correspond to quasi-Coxeter (primitive) conjugacy classes in finite Coxeter groups. We discussed in [6] how the examples of algebraic Frobenius manifolds constructed from Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction support this conjecture.

Let $e$ be a principal nilpotent element in a simple Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}$ over $\mathbb{C}$. We fix, by using the Jacobson-Morozov theorem, a semisimple element $h$ and a nilpotent element $f$ such that $\mathcal{A} = \{e, h, f\}$ is an $sl_2$-triple. Let $\kappa + 1$ be the Coxeter number of $\mathfrak{g}$. We prove the following

**Theorem 1.1.** The Slodowy slice

(1.1) \[ Q' := e + \ker \text{ad} f \]

has a natural structure of polynomial Frobenius manifold of degree $\frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa + 1}$.

Let us recall some structures related to the principal nilpotent element $e$. The element $h \in \mathcal{A}$ defines a $\mathbb{Z}$-grading on $\mathfrak{g}$ called the Dynkin grading given as follows

(1.2) \[ \mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i, \quad \mathfrak{g}_i = \{ q \in \mathfrak{g} : \text{ad} h(q) = iq \}. \]

We fix below a certain nonzero element $a \in \mathfrak{g}_{-2\kappa}$. It will follow from the work of Kostant [20] that $y_1 = e + a$ is regular semisimple. The Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h}' = \ker \text{ad} y_1$ is called the opposite Cartan subalgebra.

Our main idea is to use the theory of local bihamiltonian structure on a loop space to construct the polynomial Frobenius manifold on $Q'$. Recall that a bihamiltonian structure on a manifold $M$ is two compatible Poisson brackets on $M$. It is well known that the dispersionless limit of a local bihamiltonian structure on the loop space $\mathcal{L}(M)$ of a finite dimensional manifold $M$ (if it exists) always gives a bihamiltonian structure of hydrodynamic type:

(1.3) \[ \{ t^i(x), t^j(y) \}_{1,2} = g^{ij}_{1,2}(t(x)) \delta'(x - y) + \Gamma^{ij}_{k,1,2}(t(x)) t^k_2 \delta(x - y), \]

defined on the loop space $\mathcal{L}(M)$. This in turn gives a flat pencil of metrics $g^{ij}_{1,2}$ on $M$ which under some assumptions corresponds to a Frobenius structure on $M$ [12].

We perform Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction [9] (see also [6] or [18]) using the representation theory of $\mathcal{A}$ and the properties of $\mathfrak{h}'$ to obtain a bihamiltonian structure on the affine loop space

(1.4) \[ Q = e + \mathcal{L}(\ker \text{ad} f). \]

To this end we start by defining a bihamiltonian structure $P_1$ and $P_2$ in $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{g})$. The Poisson structure $P_2$ is the standard Lie-Poisson structure and $P_1$ depends on the adjoint action of $a$. In the Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction the space $Q$ will be transversal to an action of the adjoint group of $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{n})$ on a suitable affine subspace of $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{g})$. Here $\mathfrak{n}$ is the subalgebra

(1.5) \[ \mathfrak{n} := \bigoplus_{i \leq -2} \mathfrak{g}_i \]
The space of local functionals with densities in the ring $R$ of invariant differential polynomials of this action is closed under $P_1$ and $P_2$. This defines the Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure on $Q$ since the coordinates of $Q$ can be interpreted as generators of the ring $R$. The second reduced Poisson structure on $Q$ is called the classical $W$-algebra. We call it principal since it is related to the principal nilpotent element. We then prove that the Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure admits a dispersionless limit and gives the promised polynomial Frobenius manifold.

We mention that from the work of Dubrovin [10] and Hetrling [16] semisimple polynomial Frobenius manifolds with positive degrees are already classified. They correspond to Coxeter conjugacy classes in Coxeter groups. Dubrovin constructed all these polynomial Frobenius manifolds on the orbit spaces of Coxeter groups using the results of [23]. There is another method to obtain the classical $W$-algebra associated to principal nilpotent elements known in the literature as Muira type transformation [9]. It was used in [14] (see also [7]) to prove that the dispersionless limit of the Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure gives the polynomial Frobenius manifold defined on the orbit space of the corresponding Weyl group [10]. The proof depends also on the invariant theory of Coxeter groups. In the present work we give a new method to uniform the construction of polynomial Frobenius manifolds from Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction which depends only on the theory of opposite Cartan subalgebras.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. Frobenius manifolds and local bihamiltonian structures. Starting we want to recall some definitions and review the construction of Frobenius manifolds from local bihamiltonian structure of hydrodynamics type.

A Frobenius manifold is a manifold $M$ with the structure of Frobenius algebra on the tangent space $T_t$ at any point $t \in M$ with certain compatibility conditions [11]. This structure locally corresponds to a potential $F(t^1, ..., t^n)$ satisfying the WDVV equations

\begin{equation}
\partial_{t^i} \partial_{t^j} \partial_{t^k} F(t) \eta^{kp} \partial_{t^p} \partial_{t^q} \partial_{t^r} F(t) = \partial_{t^r} \partial_{t^j} \partial_{t^k} F(t) \eta^{kp} \partial_{t^p} \partial_{t^q} \partial_{t^i} F(t)
\end{equation}

where $(\eta^{-1})_{ij} = \partial_{t^j} \partial_{t^i} \partial_{t^k} F(t)$ is a constant matrix. Here we assume that the quasihomogeneity condition takes the form

\begin{equation}
\sum_{i=1}^n d_i t_i \partial_{t_i} F(t) = (3 - d) F(t)
\end{equation}

where $d_n = 1$. This condition defines the degrees $d_i$ and the charge $d$ of the Frobenius structure on $M$. If $F(t)$ is an algebraic function we call $M$ an algebraic Frobenius manifold.

Let $\mathcal{L}(M)$ denote the loop space of $M$, i.e the space of smooth maps from the circle to $M$. A local Poisson bracket $\{.,.\}_1$ on $\mathcal{L}(M)$ can be written in
defines a flat metric on $T_{ij}$ given by $\Gamma^{namic type we mean those with the metric $g$ of hydrodynamic type. By nondegenerate Poisson bracket of hydrodynamic type are nondegenerate. Then by definition the matrix $\{\}$. If the Poisson bracket admits a dispersionless limit then $g$ of degree $j$ to $\partial_x u^i(x)$ and $\delta(x-y)$ is the Dirac delta function defined by

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y) \delta(x-y) dy = f(x).$$

The first terms can be written as follows

$$\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_{1}^{[-1]} = F_1^{ij}(u(x)) \delta(x-y)$$

$$\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_{1}^{[0]} = g_1^{ij}(u(x)) \delta'(x-y) + \Gamma_1^{ij}(u(x)) u_k^x \delta(x-y)$$

Here the entries $g_1^{ij}(u)$, $F_1^{ij}(u)$ and $\Gamma_1^{ij}(u)$ are smooth functions on the finite dimension space $M$. We note that, under the change of coordinates on $M$ the matrices $g_1^{ij}(u)$, $F_1^{ij}(u)$ change as a $(2,0)$-tensors.

The matrix $F_1^{ij}(u)$ defines a Poisson structure on $M$. If $F_1^{ij}(u(x)) = 0$ and $\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_{1}^{[0]} \neq 0$ we say the Poisson bracket admits a dispersionless limit. If the Poisson bracket admits a dispersionless limit then $\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_{1}^{[0]}$ defines a Poisson bracket on $\mathcal{L}(M)$ known as Poisson bracket of hydrodynamic type. By nondegenerate Poisson bracket of hydrodynamic type we mean those with the metric $g_1^{ij}$ is nondegenerate. In this case the matrix $g_1^{ij}(u)$ defines a contravariant flat metric on the cotangent space $T^*M$ and $\Gamma_1^{ij}(u)$ is its contravariant Levi-Civita connection.

Assume there are two Poisson structures $\{.,\}_2$ and $\{.,\}_1$ on $\mathcal{L}(M)$ which form a bihamiltonian structure, i.e $\{.,\}_\lambda := \{.,\}_2 + \lambda \{.,\}_1$ is a Poisson structure on $\mathcal{L}(M)$ for every $\lambda$. Consider the notations for the leading terms of $\{.,\}_1$ given above and write the leading terms of $\{.,\}_2$ in the form

$$\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_2^{[-1]} = F_2^{ij}(u(x)) \delta(x-y)$$

$$\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_2^{[0]} = g_2^{ij}(u(x)) \delta'(x-y) + \Gamma_2^{ij}(u(x)) u_k^x \delta(x-y)$$

Suppose that $\{.,\}_1$ and $\{.,\}_2$ admit a dispersionless limit as well as $\{.,\}_\lambda$ for generic $\lambda$. In addition, assume the corresponding Poisson brackets of hydrodynamics type are nondegenerate. Then by definition $g_1^{ij}(u)$ and $g_2^{ij}(u)$ form what is called flat pencil of metrics, i.e $g_\lambda^{ij}(u) := g_2^{ij}(u) + \lambda g_1^{ij}(u)$ defines a flat metric on $T^*M$ for generic $\lambda$ and its Levi-Civita connection is given by $\Gamma_\lambda^{ij}(u) = \Gamma_2^{ij}(u) + \lambda \Gamma_1^{ij}(u)$. 

the form [15]

$$\{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^k \{u^i(x), u^j(y)\}_1^{[k]}.$$
Definition 2.1. A contravariant flat pencil of metrics on a manifold $M$ defined by the matrices $g^{ij}_1$ and $g^{ij}_2$ is called quasihomogenous of degree $d$ if there exists a function $\tau$ on $M$ such that the vector fields

$$\begin{align*}
E &:= \nabla_2 \tau, \quad E^i = g^{is}_2 \partial_s \tau \\
e &:= \nabla_1 \tau, \quad e^i = g^{is}_1 \partial_s \tau
\end{align*}$$

satisfy the following properties

1. $[e, E] = e$.
2. $\mathcal{L}_E (, )_2 = (d-1)(, )_2$.
3. $\mathcal{L}_e (, )_2 = (, )_1$.
4. $\mathcal{L}_e (, )_1 = 0$.

Here for example $\mathcal{L}_E$ denote the Lie derivative along the vector field $E$ and $(, )_1$ denote the metric defined by the matrix $g^{ij}_1$. In addition, the quasihomogenous flat pencil of metrics is called regular if the (1,1)-tensor

$$R^j_i = \frac{d-1}{2} \delta^j_i + \nabla_1 E^j$$

is nondegenerate on $M$.

The connection between the theory of Frobenius manifolds and flat pencil of metrics is encoded in the following theorem

**Theorem 2.2.** [12] A contravariant quasihomogenous regular flat pencil of metrics of degree $d$ on a manifold $M$ defines a Frobenius structure on $M$ of the same degree.

It is well known that from a Frobenius manifold we always have a flat pencil of metrics but it does not necessary satisfy the regularity condition (2.10). In the notations of (2.1) from a Frobenius structure on $M$, the flat pencil of metrics is found from the relations

$$\eta^{ij} = g^{ij}_1, \quad g^{ij}_2 = (d - 1 + d_i + d_j)\eta^{\alpha \beta} \partial_{\alpha} \partial_{\beta}$$

This flat pencil of metric is quasihomogenous of degree $d$ with $\tau = t^1$. Furthermore we have

$$E = \sum_i d_i t^i \partial t^i, \quad e = \partial_{t^n}$$

2.2. **Principal nilpotent element and opposite Cartan subalgebra.** We review some facts about principal nilpotent elements in simple Lie algebra we need to perform the Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction. In particular, we recall the concept of the opposite Cartan subalgebra introduced by Kostant which is the main ingredient in this work.

Let $\mathfrak{g}$ be a simple Lie algebra over $\mathbb{C}$ of rank $r$. We fix a principal nilpotent element $e \in \mathfrak{g}$. By definition a nilpotent element is called principal if $\mathfrak{g}^e := \ker \text{ad} e$ has dimension equals to $r$. Using the Jacobson-Morozov theorem we
fix a semisimple element $h$ and a nilpotent element $f$ in $\mathfrak{g}$ such that $\{e, h, f\}$ generates $sl_2$ subalgebra $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathfrak{g}$, i.e.

$$[h, e] = 2e, \ [h, f] = -2f, \ [e, f] = h.$$  \hfill (2.13)

The element $h$ define a $\mathbb{Z}$-grading on $\mathfrak{g}$ called the Dynkin grading given as follows

$$\mathfrak{g} = \oplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_i, \ \mathfrak{g}_i = \{q \in \mathfrak{g} : \text{ad} \ h(q) = iq\}.$$  \hfill (2.14)

It is well known that $\mathfrak{g}_i = 0$ if $i$ is odd and

$$\mathfrak{b} = \oplus_{i \leq 0} \mathfrak{g}_i$$  \hfill (2.15)

is a Borel subalgebra with

$$\mathfrak{n} = \oplus_{i \leq -2} \mathfrak{g}_i = [\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}]$$

is a nilpotent subalgebra.

We normalize the invariant bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on $\mathfrak{g}$ such that $\langle e|f \rangle = 1$ and we denote the exponents of the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}$ as follows

$$1 = \eta_1 < \eta_2 \leq \eta_3 \ldots \leq \eta_{r-1} < \eta_r.$$  \hfill (2.17)

We will refer to the number $\eta_r$ by $\kappa$. Recall that $\kappa + 1$ is the Coxeter number of $\mathfrak{g}$ and the exponents satisfy the relation

$$\eta_i + \eta_{r-i+1} = \kappa + 1.$$  \hfill (2.18)

We also recall that for all simple Lie algebras the exponents are different except for the Lie algebra of type $D_{2n}$ the exponent $n-1$ appears twice.

Consider the restriction of the adjoint representation of $\mathfrak{g}$ to $\mathcal{A}$. Under this restriction $\mathfrak{g}$ decomposes to irreducible $\mathcal{A}$-submodules

$$\mathfrak{g} = \oplus V^i.$$  \hfill (2.19)

with $\dim V^i = 2\eta_i + 1 \ \ [17]$. We normalize this decomposition by using the following proposition

**Proposition 2.3.** There exists a decomposition of $\mathfrak{g}$ into a sum of irreducible $\mathcal{A}$-submodules $\mathfrak{g} = \oplus_{i=1}^r V^i$ in such a way that there is a basis $X^i_I, I = -\eta_i, -\eta_i + 1, \ldots, \eta_i$ in each $V^i, \ i = 1, \ldots, r$ satisfying the following relations

$$X^i_I = \frac{1}{(\eta_i + I)!} \text{ad} e^{\eta_i + I} X^i_{-\eta_i}, \ I = -\eta_i, -\eta_i + 1, \ldots, \eta_i.$$  \hfill (2.20)

and

$$\langle X^i_I, X^j_J \rangle = \delta_{i,j} \delta_{I,J} (-1)^{\eta_i - I + 1} \binom{2\eta_i}{\eta_i - I}.$$  \hfill (2.21)

Furthermore

$$\text{ad} h X^i_I = 2IX^j_I,$$

$$\text{ad} e X^i_I = (\eta_i + I + 1)X^i_{I+1},$$

$$\text{ad} f X^i_I = (\eta_i - I + 1)X^i_{I-1}.$$  \hfill (2.22)
Proof. The proof that one could compose the Lie algebra as irreducible $A$-submodules satisfying (2.20) and (2.22) is standard and can be found in [17] or [20]. Let $\mathfrak{g} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r V^i$ be such decomposition. It is easy to prove $\langle V^i | V^j \rangle = 0$ in the case $\eta_i \neq \eta_j$ by applying the step operators $\text{ad} e$ and using the invariance of the bilinear form. Hence the proof is reduced to the case of irreducible $A$-submodules of the same dimension. But there is at most two irreducible submodules of the same dimension. Assume $V^{i_1}$ and $V^{i_2}$ have the same dimension and denote the corresponding basis $X^{i_1}_I$ and $X^{i_2}_I$, respectively. Then one can prove by using the step operator $\text{ad} e$ that the subspaces $V^{i_1}$ and $V^{i_2}$ are orthogonal if and only if $\langle X^{i_1}_I | X^{i_2}_I \rangle = 0$. But it obvious that the restriction of the invariant bilinear form to $X^{i_1}_I$ and $X^{i_2}_I$ is nondegenerate. Hence by applying the Gram-Schmidt procedure we can assume that $\langle X^{i_1}_I | X^{i_2}_I \rangle = 0$. Therefore, we can assume that the given decomposition satisfying $\langle V^i | V^j \rangle = 0$ if $i \neq j$. It remains to obtain the normalization (2.21). From the invariance of the bilinear form we have

\begin{equation}
\langle h.X^i_I | X^j_J \rangle = (2I) \langle X^i_I | X^j_J \rangle
\end{equation}

while

\begin{equation}
- \langle X^i_I | h.X^j_J \rangle = -(2J) \langle X^i_I | X^j_J \rangle
\end{equation}

Therefore $\langle X^i_I | X^j_J \rangle = 0$ if $I + J \neq 0$. We calculate using the step operator $\text{ad} e$ where $I \geq 0$ the value

\begin{equation}
\langle X^i_I | X^-_I \rangle = \frac{1}{(\eta_i - I)} \langle X^i_I | e.X^-_I \rangle = \frac{1}{\eta_i - I} \langle X^i_I | X^-_I \rangle = \langle X^i_{I+1} | X^-_I \rangle = \frac{(-1)^{\eta_i - I}}{(\eta_i - I)(\eta_i - I - 1) \ldots (1)} \langle X^i_{\eta_i} | X^-_{\eta_i} \rangle = \frac{(-1)^{\eta_i - I}}{(\eta_i - I)} \langle X^i_{\eta_i} | X^-_{\eta_i} \rangle.
\end{equation}

The result follows by multiplying $X^i_I$ by the value of $-\langle X^i_{\eta_i} | X^-_{\eta_i} \rangle$. We note that the formula (2.21) will give the same result when replacing $I$ with $-I$. This ends the proof.

Note that the normalized basis for $V^1$ are $X^1_1 = -e$, $X^1_0 = h$, $X^1_{-1} = f$ since it is isomorphic to $A$ as a vector subspace.

It is easy to see that

\begin{equation}
\text{ad} e : \mathfrak{g}_i \to \mathfrak{g}_{i+2}
\end{equation}
is injective for \( i \leq -1 \) and surjective for \( i \geq 0 \). Hence the subalgebra \( g^f := \ker \text{ad} f \) has a basis \( X^{i}_{-\eta_i}, \ i = 1, \ldots, r \) and

\[
(2.27) \quad b = g^f \oplus \text{ad} (n).
\]

The affine space

\[
Q' = e + g^f
\]

is called the Slodowy slice. It is transversal to the orbit of \( e \) under the adjoint group action.

We summarize Kostant results about the relation between the principal nilpotent element \( e \) and Coxeter conjugacy class in Weyl group of \( g \).

**Theorem 2.4.** [20] The element \( y_1 = e + X^{\kappa}_{-2} \) is regular semisimple. Denote \( h' \) the Cartan subalgebra containing \( y_1 \), i.e \( h' := \ker \text{ad} y_1 \) and consider the adjoint group element \( w \) defined by \( w := \exp \frac{\pi i \kappa}{\eta_1} \text{ad} h \). Then \( w \) acts on \( h' \) as a representative of the Coxeter conjugacy class in the Weyl group acting on \( h' \). Furthermore, the element \( y_1 \) can be completed to a basis \( y_i, \ i = 1, \ldots, r \) for \( h' \) having the form

\[
y_i = v_i + u_i, \ u_i \in g_{2\eta_i}, \ v_i \in g_{2\eta_i-2(\kappa+1)}
\]

and such that \( y_i \) is an eigenvector of \( w \) with eigenvalue \( \exp \frac{\pi i \kappa}{\eta_1} \).

Let \( a \) denote the element \( X^{\kappa}_{-2} \). The element \( y_1 = e + a \) is called a cyclic element and the Cartan subalgebra \( h' = \ker \text{ad} y_1 \) is called the opposite Cartan subalgebra. We fix a basis \( y_i \) for \( h' \) satisfying the theorem above. It is easy to see that \( u_i, i = 1, \ldots, r \) form a homogenous basis for \( g^c \). We assume the basis \( y_i \) are normalized such that

\[
(2.28) \quad u_i = -X^i_{\eta_i}.
\]

Form construction this normalization does not effect \( y_1 \).

Let us define the matrix of the invariant bilinear form on \( h' \)

\[
(2.29) \quad A_{ij} := \langle y_i | y_j \rangle = -\langle X^i_{\eta_i} | v_j \rangle - \langle v_i | X^j_{\eta_j} \rangle, \ i, j = 1, \ldots, r.
\]

The following proposition summarize some useful properties we need in the following sections.

**Proposition 2.5.** The matrix \( A_{ij} \) is a nondegenerate and antidiagonal with respect to the exponents \( \eta_i \), i.e \( A_{ij} = 0 \) if \( \eta_i + \eta_j \neq \kappa + 1 \). Moreover, the commutators of \( a \) and \( X^i_{\eta_i} \) satisfy the relations

\[
(2.30) \quad \frac{\langle [a, X^i_{\eta_i}] | X^j_{\eta_j-1} \rangle}{2\eta_j} + \frac{\langle [a, X^j_{\eta_j}] | X^i_{\eta_i-1} \rangle}{2\eta_i} = A_{ij}
\]

for all \( i, j = 1, \ldots, r \).
Proof. The matrix $A_{ij}$ is nondegenerate since the restriction of the invariant bilinear form to a Cartan subalgebra is nondegenerate. The fact that it is anidiagonal with respect to the exponents follows from the identity

$$\langle y_i|y_j \rangle = \exp\frac{(\eta_i + \eta_j)\pi i}{\kappa + 1} \langle y_i|y_j \rangle$$

where $w := \exp \pi i \kappa + 1 \text{ad}$.

For the second part of the proposition we note that the commutator of $y_1 = e + a$ and $y_i = v_i - X_{n_i}$ gives the relation

$$[e,v_i] = [a,X_{n_i} \eta_i], \ i = 1, ..., r.$$ 

Which in turn give the following equality for every $i, j = 1, ..., r$

$$\langle [a,X_{n_i} \eta_i]|X_{n_j} \eta_j - 1 \rangle = -\langle v_i|X_{n_j} \eta_j \rangle - \langle v_j|X_{n_i} \eta_i \rangle = A_{ij}.$$ 

\[\square\]

3. Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction

We will review the standard Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction associated with the principal nilpotent element [9] (see also [6]).

We introduce the following bilinear form on the loop algebra $L(g)$:

$$(u|v) = \int_{S^1} \langle u(x)|v(x) \rangle dx, \ u, v \in L(M),$$

and we identify $L(g)$ with $L(g)^*$ by means of this bilinear form. For a functional $F$ on $L(g)$ we define the gradient $\delta F(q)$ to be the unique element in $L(g)$ such that

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} F(q + \theta \dot{s}) \big|_{\theta = 0} = \int_{S^1} \langle \delta F|\dot{s} \rangle dx$$

for all $\dot{s} \in L(g)$.

Recall that we fixed an element $a \in g$ such that $y_1 = e + a$ is a cyclic element. Let us introduce a bihamiltonian structure on $L(g)$ by means of Poisson tensors

$$P_2(v)(q(x)) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} [\epsilon \partial_x + q(x), v(x)].$$

$$P_1(v)(q(x)) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} [a, v(x)].$$

It is well known fact that these define a bihamiltonian structure on $L(g)$ [21].

We consider the gauge transformation of the adjoint group $G$ of $L(g)$ given by

$$q(x) \rightarrow \exp \text{ad} s(x)(\partial_x + q(x)) - \partial_x$$
where \( s(x), \ q(x) \in \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{g}) \). Following Drinfeld and Sokolov [9], we consider the restriction of this action to the adjoint group \( \mathcal{N} \) of \( \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{n}) \).

**Proposition 3.1.** ([6], [22]) The action of \( \mathcal{N} \) on \( \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{g}) \) with Poisson tensor
\[
P_\lambda := P_2 + \lambda P_1
\]
is Hamiltonian for all \( \lambda \). It admits a momentum map \( J \) to be the projection
\[
J : \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{g}) \to \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{n}^+)
\]
where \( \mathfrak{n}^+ \) is the image of \( \mathfrak{n} \) under the killing map. Moreover, \( J \) is \( \text{Ad}^\ast \)-equivariant.

We take \( e \) as regular value of \( J \). Then
\[
S := J^{-1}(e) = \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{b}) + e,
\]
since \( \mathfrak{b} \) is the orthogonal complement to \( \mathfrak{n} \). It follows from the Dynking grading that the isotropy group of \( e \) is \( \mathcal{N} \).

Recall that the space \( Q \) is defined as
\[
Q := e + \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{g}^f).
\]

The following proposition identified \( S/\mathcal{N} \) with the space \( Q \). Which allows us to define the set \( \mathcal{R} \) of functionals on \( Q \) as functionals on \( S \) which have densities in the ring \( \mathcal{R} \).

**Proposition 3.2.** ([9]) The space \( Q \) is a cross section for the action of \( \mathcal{N} \) on \( S \), i.e for any element \( q(x) + e \in S \) there is a unique element \( s(x) \in \mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{n}) \) such that
\[
z(x) + e = (\exp \text{ad} s(x))(\partial_x + q(x)) - \partial_x \in Q.
\]
The entries of \( z(x) \) are generators of the ring \( \mathcal{R} \) of differential polynomials on \( S \) invariant under the action of \( \mathcal{N} \).

The Poisson pencil \( P_\lambda \) ([3.3]) is reduced on \( Q \) using the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.3.** ([9]) Let \( \mathcal{R} \) be the functionals on \( Q \) with densities belongs to \( \mathcal{R} \). Then \( \mathcal{R} \) is a closed subalgebra with respect to the Poisson pencil \( P_\lambda \).

Hence \( Q \) has a bihamiltonian structure \( P^Q_1 \) and \( P^Q_2 \) from \( P_1 \) and \( P_2 \), respectively. The reduced Poisson structure \( P^Q_2 \) is called a **classical W-algebra**. For a formal definition of classical W-algebras see [19]. We obtain the reduced bihamiltonian structure by using lemma 3.3 as follows. We write the coordinates of \( Q \) as differential polynomials in the coordinates of \( S \) by means of equation (3.8) and then apply the Leibnitz rule. For \( u, v \in \mathcal{R} \) the Leibnitz rule have the following form
\[
\{u(x), v(y)\}_\lambda = \frac{\partial u(x)}{\partial(q^i(x))} \frac{\partial^m q^i}{\partial^m q^i} \{q^i(x), q^j(y)\}_\lambda
\]
The generators of the invariant ring \( \mathcal{R} \) will have nice properties when we use the normalized basis we developed in last section. Let us begin by
writing the equation of gauge fixing (3.8) after introducing a parameter $\tau$ as follows
\[
q(x) + e = \tau \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{I=0}^{\eta_i} q_i^{I} X_{-I} + e \in S
\]
\[
z(x) + e = \tau \sum_{i=1}^{r} z^i(x) X_{-\eta_i} + e \in Q
\]
\[
s(x) = \tau \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{I=1}^{\eta_i} s_i^I(x) X_{-I} \in \mathfrak{L}(n).
\]

Then equation (3.8) expands to
\[
\sum_{i=1}^{r} z^i(x) X_{-\eta_i} + \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{I=1}^{\eta_i} (\eta_i - I + 1) s_i^I X_{-I+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{I=1}^{\eta_i} q_i^I(x) X_{-I} - \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{I=1}^{\eta_i} \partial_x s_i^I(x) X_{-I} + O(\tau).
\]

It obvious that any invariant $z^i(x)$ has the form
\[
z^i(x) = q_i^{\eta_i} - \partial_x s_i^{\eta_i} + O(\tau)
\]
\[
= q_i^{\eta_i}(x) - \partial_x q_i^{\eta_i-1} + O(\tau).
\]

That is, we obtained the linear term of each invariant $z^i(x)$. Furthermore, since $\langle e|f \rangle = 1$ then $z^1(x)$ has the expression
\[
z^1(x) = q_1^1(x) - \partial_x s_1^1 + \tau \langle e|[s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, q_0^0 X_0^0]\rangle
\]
\[
+ \frac{1}{2} \tau \langle e|[s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, [s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, e]]\rangle.
\]

Which is simplified by using the identity
\[
[s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, [s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, e]] = -[s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, q_0^0(x)X_0^0]
\]
and
\[
\langle e|[s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, q_0^0 X_0^0]\rangle = -\langle [s_1^1(x)X_{-1}^1, e]|q_0^0(x)X_0^0\rangle = (q_0^0(x))^2 \langle X_0^i|X_0^i\rangle
\]
with $s_1^1(x) = q_0^1(x)$ to the expression
\[
z^1(x) = q_1^1(x) - \partial_x q_0^0(x) + \frac{1}{2} \tau \sum_i (q_0^0(x))^2 \langle X_0^i|X_0^i\rangle
\]

The invariant $z^1(x)$ is called a **Virasoro density** and the expression above agree with (1). Our analysis will rely on the quasihomogeneity of the invariants $z^i(x)$ in the coordinates of $q(x) \in \mathfrak{L}(n)$ and their derivatives. This property is summarized in the following corollary.
Corollary 3.4. If we assign degree $2J + 2l + 2$ to $\partial_x^i (q_i^m (x))$ then $z^i (x)$ will be quasihomogeneous of degree $2\eta_i + 2$. Furthermore, each invariant $z^i (x)$ depends linearly only on $q_i^{\eta_i} (x)$ and $\partial_x q_i^{\eta_i - 1} (x)$. In particular, $z^i (x)$ with $i < n$ does not depend on $\partial_x q_i^{\eta_i - 1} (x)$ for any value $l$.

Let us fix the following notations for the leading terms of the Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure on $Q$

\begin{equation}
\{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}_{1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^k \{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}^k_1
\end{equation}

\begin{equation}
\{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}_{2} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^k \{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}^k_2.
\end{equation}

where

\begin{equation}
\{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}^1_{-1} = F_{ij} (z(x)) \delta (x - y)
\end{equation}

\begin{equation}
\{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}^0_1 = g_{ij} (z(x)) \delta' (x - y) + \Gamma_{ik}^{ij} (z(x)) z_k \delta (x - y)
\end{equation}

\begin{equation}
\{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}^{-1}_2 = F_{ij} (z(x)) \delta (x - y)
\end{equation}

\begin{equation}
\{ z^i (x), z^j (y) \}^0_2 = g_{ij} (z(x)) \delta' (x - y) + \Gamma_{ik}^{ij} (z(x)) z_k \delta (x - y)
\end{equation}

3.1. The nondegeneracy condition. In this section we find the antidiagonal entries of the matrix $g_{ij}$ with respect to the exponents of $g$, i.e the entry $g_{ij}$ with $\eta_i + \eta_j = \kappa + 1$. Our goal is to prove this matrix is nondegenerate.

Let $\Xi_i^j$ denote the value $\langle X_i^j | X_i^j \rangle$ and we set

\[ [a, X_i^j] = \sum_j \Delta_{ij}^k X_{i-\kappa}^k. \]

By definition, for a functional $F$ on $g$

\begin{equation}
\delta F (x) = \sum_i \sum_{l=0}^{\eta_i} \frac{1}{\Xi_i^j} \frac{\delta F}{\delta q_l^i (x)} X_i^j
\end{equation}

and the Poisson brackets of two functionals $\mathcal{I}$ and $\mathcal{F}$ on $g$ reads

\begin{equation}
\{ \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{F} \}_1 = \langle \delta \mathcal{I} (x) | [a, \delta \mathcal{F} (x)] \rangle = \sum_i \sum_{l=0}^{\eta_i} \sum_j \Delta_{ij}^k \frac{\delta \mathcal{I}}{\Xi_i^j} \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}}{\delta q_{l-1}^i (x)} \delta q_l^i (x)
\end{equation}

Therefore, the Poisson brackets in coordinates have the form

\begin{equation}
\{ q_{l-1}^i (x), q_l^j (y) \} = \frac{\Delta_{ij}^k}{\Xi_i^j} \delta (x - y).
\end{equation}
Recall that the Poisson bracket \( \{v(x), u(y)\}^Q_1 \) of elements \( u, v \in R \) is obtained by the Leibnitz rule which expands as
\[
\{v(x), u(y)\}^Q_1 = \sum_{i,j,l,h,i',j',l',h'} \Delta_{ij} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial (q_{ij}^{\kappa-1})(l)} \frac{\partial u(y)}{\partial (q_{ij}^{\kappa-1})(h)} \delta^h_l \delta^l_i (x - y).
\]

The matrix \( g_{ij} \) is lower antidiagonal with respect to the exponents of \( g \) and the antidiagonal entries are constants.

\[ \text{Lemma 3.5. If } \eta_i + \eta_j < \kappa + 1 \text{ then } A(z^i, z^j) = 0. \text{ In particular, the matrix } g_{ij} \text{ is lower antidiagonal with respect to the exponents of } g \text{ and the antidiagonal entries are constants.} \]

\[ \text{Proof. We note that if } v(x) \text{ and } u(x) \text{ are in } R \text{ and quasihomogenous of degree } \theta \text{ and } \xi, \text{ respectively, then } A(v, u) \text{ will be quasihomogenous of degree } \eta_i + \eta_j - (2\kappa + 2) - 4. \]

The proof is complete by observing that the generators \( z^i(x) \) of the ring \( R \) is quasihomogeneous of degree \( 2\eta_i + 2 \).

\[ \text{Proposition 3.6. The matrix } g_{ij} \text{ is nondegenerate and its determinant is equal to the determinant of the matrix } A_{ij} \text{ defined in (2.5).} \]

\[ \text{Proof. From the last lemma we need only to consider the expression } A(z^n, z^m) \text{ with } \eta_i + \eta_j = \kappa + 1 \text{. Here} \]
\[
A(z^n, z^m) = \sum_{i,j,l,h} (-1)^{h} (l + h) \Delta_{ij} \frac{\partial z^n(x)}{\partial (q_{ij}^{\kappa-1})(l)} \frac{\partial z^m(x)}{\partial (q_{ij}^{\kappa-1})(h)} \delta^h_l \delta^l_i \]
\[\text{where } z^m \text{ and } z^n \text{ are quasihomogenous of degree } 2\eta_m + 2 \text{ and } 2\kappa - 2\eta_m + 4, \text{ respectively. The expression } \frac{\partial z^m(x)}{\partial (q_{ij}^{\eta_m})} \text{ gives the constraints} \]
\[ (3.23) \quad 2I + 2 \leq 2\eta_m + 2 \]
\[ 2\kappa - 2I + 2 \leq 2\kappa - 2\eta_m + 4 \]
\[ \text{which implies} \]
\[ \eta_m - 1 \leq I \leq \eta_m \]
\[ \text{Therefore the only possible values for the index } I \text{ in the expression of } A(z^n, z^m) \text{ that make sense are } \eta_m \text{ and } \eta_m + 1. \text{ Consider the partial summation of } A(z^n, z^m) \text{ when } I = \eta_m. \text{ The degree of } z^m \text{ yields } h = 0 \text{ and that } z^m \text{ depends linearly on } q_{ij}^{\eta_m}. \text{ But then equation (3.14) implies } i \text{ is fixed and equals to } m. \text{ A similar argument on } z^n(x) \text{ we find that the indices } l \text{ and } j \]
are fixed and equal to 1 and \( n \), respectively. But then the partial summation when \( I = \eta_m \) gives the value
\[
\frac{\Delta_{mn}^{\eta_m}}{\Xi_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m}} \frac{\partial z^n(x)}{\partial(q_{n-\eta_m}^{\eta_m})^{(1)}} \frac{\partial z^m(x)}{\partial(q_{m-\eta_m}^{\eta_m})^{(0)}} = - \frac{\Delta_{mn}^{\eta_m}}{\Xi_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m}}.
\]

We now turn to the partial summation of \( A(z^n, z^m) \) when \( I = \eta_m - 1 \). The possible values for \( h \) are 1 and 0. When \( h = 0 \) we get zero since \( l \) and \( h \) can only be zero. When \( h = 1 \) we get, similar to the above calculation, the value
\[
(-1)\frac{\Delta_{\eta_m-1}^{\eta_m}}{\Xi_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m}} \frac{\partial z^n(x)}{\partial(q_{n-\eta_m}^{\eta_m})^{(0)}} \frac{\partial z^m(x)}{\partial(q_{m-\eta_m}^{\eta_m})^{(1)}} = \frac{\Delta_{\eta_m-1}^{\eta_m}}{\Xi_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m}}.
\]

Hence we end with the expression
\[
A(z^n, z^m) = \frac{\Delta_{\eta_m-1}^{\eta_m}}{\Xi_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m}} - \frac{\Delta_{mn}}{\Xi_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m}} = \frac{\langle [a, X^m_{\eta_m}] | X^n_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m-1} \rangle}{2\eta_m} + \frac{\langle [a, X^m_{\eta_m}] | X^n_{\eta_m}^{\eta_m-1} \rangle}{2\eta_n} = A_{mn}
\]
where we derive the last equality in proposition 2.5. Hence the determinate of \( g^{ij} \) equals to the determinate of \( A_{mn} \) which is nondegenerate.

3.2. Differential relation. We want to observe a differential relation between the first and the second Poisson brackets. This relation is a consequence of the fact that \( z^r(x) \) is the only generator of the ring \( R \) which depends explicitly on \( q^{\kappa_r(x)} \) and this dependence is linear.

**Proposition 3.7.** The entries of matrices of the reduced bihamiltonian structure on \( Q \) satisfy the relations
\[
(3.24) \quad \partial_{z^r} F^{ij}_1 = F^{ij}_1 \quad \partial_{z^r} g^{ij}_2 = g^{ij}_1
\]

**Proof.** The fact that we calculate the reduced Poisson structure by using Leibnitz rule and \( z^r(x) \) depends on \( q^{\kappa_r(x)} \) linearly, means that the invariant \( z^r(x) \) will appear on the reduced Poisson bracket \( \{z^i(x), z^j(y)\}_Q \) only as a result of the following “brackets”
\[
(3.25) \quad [q_j^{\kappa-1}(x), q_i^\kappa(y)] := q_i^\kappa(x) \frac{\Delta^{ij}_1}{\Xi^{ij}_1} \delta(x - y)
\]
which are the terms of the second Poisson bracket on \( \mathfrak{g} \) depending explicitly on \( q_i^\kappa(x) \). We expand the “brackets” \([z^i(x), z^j(y)]\) by imposing the
Leibnitz rule. We find the coefficient of $\delta(x - y)$ and $\delta'(x - y)$ are, respectively,

$$
\begin{align*}
B &= \sum_{i, I, J} \sum_{h, l} (-1)^h \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{2} q^{\kappa}_i(x) \frac{\partial z^i(x)}{\partial (q^{\kappa-1}_j(y))} \left( \frac{\partial z^j(x)}{\partial (q^{\kappa}_i(x))} \right)^{h+l} \\
D &= \sum_{i, I, J} \sum_{h, l} (-1)^h (l + h) \frac{\Delta_{ij}}{2} q^{\kappa}_i(x) \frac{\partial z^i(x)}{\partial (q^{\kappa-1}_j(y))} \left( \frac{\partial z^j(x)}{\partial (q^{\kappa}_i(x))} \right)^{h+l-1}
\end{align*}
$$

Obviousy, we have $\partial_z F^{ij}_2$ from $\partial_{q^\kappa} B$ and $\partial_z g^{ij}_2$ from $\partial_{q^\kappa} D$. But we see that $\partial_{q^\kappa} D$ is just the coefficient $A(z^i, z^j)$ of $\delta'(x - y)$ of $\{z^i(x), z^j(y)\}^Q_1$. This prove that

$$
\partial_z g^{ij}_2 = g^{ij}_1.
$$

A similar argument show that

$$
\partial_z F^{ij}_2 = F^{ij}_1.
$$

\[
\square
\]

4. Some results from Dirac reduction

We recall that the Poisson bracket $\{ \ldots \}^Q_2$ can be obtained by performing the Dirac reduction of $\{ \ldots \}_2$ on $Q$. We derive from this some facts concerning the dispersionless limit of the bihamiltonian structure on $Q$. Let $n$ denote the dimension of $g$.

Let $\xi_I$, $I = 1, \ldots, n$ be a total order of the basis $X^i_I$ such that

1. The first $r$ are

$$
X^1_{-\eta_1} < X^2_{-\eta_2} < \ldots < X^r_{-\eta_r}.
$$

2. The matrix

$$
\langle \xi_I | \xi_J \rangle, \ I, J = 1, \ldots, n
$$

is anti-diagonal.

Let $\xi^*_I$ denote the dual basis of $\xi_I$ under $\langle | \rangle$. Note that if $\xi_I \in g_\mu$ then $\xi^*_I \in g_{-\mu}$.

We extend the coordinates on $Q$ to all $\mathfrak{L}(\mathfrak{g})$ by setting

$$
z^I(b(x)) := \langle b(x) - e | \xi^*_I \rangle, \ I = 1, \ldots, n.
$$

Let us fix the following notations for the structure constants and the bilinear form on $\mathfrak{g}$

$$
[\xi^*_I, \xi^*_J] := \sum c^{IJ}_K \xi^*_K, \ g^{IJ} = \langle \xi^*_I | \xi^*_J \rangle.
$$

Now consider the following matrix differential operator

$$
\bar{F}^{IJ} = \epsilon g^{IJ} \partial_x + \tilde{F}^{IJ}.
$$

Here

$$
\tilde{F}^{IJ} = \sum_K (c^{IJ}_K z^K(x)).
$$
Then the Poisson brackets of $P_2$ will have the form
\begin{equation}
\{z^I(x), z^J(y)\}_2 = \frac{\delta^{IJ}}{\epsilon} \delta(x - y).
\end{equation}

**Proposition 4.1.** \[1\] The second Poisson bracket $\{., .\}_2^Q$ can be obtained by performing Dirac reduction of $\{., .\}_2$ on $Q$.

A consequence of this proposition is the following

**Proposition 4.2.** \[1\]
\begin{align*}
\{z^I(x), z^J(y)\}_2 &= \epsilon \delta''(x - y) + 2z^I(x)\delta'(x - y) + z^I_1 \delta(x - y) \\
\{z^i(x), z^j(y)\}_2 &= (\eta_i + 1)z^i(x)\delta'(x - y) + \eta_i z^i_1 \delta(x - y).
\end{align*}

**Remark 4.3.** The bihamiltonian reduction is a method introduced in \[2\] to reduced a bihamiltonian structure to a certain submanifold. We can use it to obtain a bihamiltonian structure from \[3, 4\] associated to the principal nilpotent element $e$. The resulting bihamiltonian structure is defined on $Q$. We generalize the bihamiltonian reduction in \[5\] by imposing some conditions. The result is a bihamiltonian structure associated to any nilpotent element in a simple Lie algebra. This generalization also simplifies the bihamiltonian reduction given in \[3\]. The Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction is also generalized to any nilpotent element in simple Lie algebra \[19\]. A similar result to proposition 4.1 for generalized Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction was obtained in \[1\]. We used it in \[8\] to prove that the generalized Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction and the generalized bihamiltonian reduction for any nilpotent element are the same. This in turn complete the comparison between the two reductions began by the work of Pedroni and Casati \[3\]. In \[6\] we also obtained proposition 4.2 by performing the generalized bihamiltonian reduction.

For the rest of this section we consider three types of indices which have different ranges; capital letters $I, J, K, \ldots = 1, \ldots, n$, small letters $i, j, k, \ldots = 1, \ldots, r$, and Greek letters $\alpha, \beta, \delta, \ldots = r + 1, \ldots, n$. Recall that the space $Q$ is defined by $z^\alpha = 0$.

We note that the matrix $\tilde{F}^{IJ}$ define the finite Lie-Poisson structure on $g$. It is well known that the symplectic subspaces of this structure are the orbit spaces of $g$ under the adjoint group action and we have $r$ global Casimirs \[21\]. Since the Slodowy slice $Q' = e + g'$ is transversal to the orbit of $e$, the minor matrix $\tilde{F}^{\alpha\beta}$ is nondegenerate. Let $\tilde{F}_{\alpha\beta}$ denote its inverse.

**Proposition 4.4.** \[6\] The Dirac formulas for the leading terms of $\{., .\}_2^Q$ is given by
\begin{align*}
F^{ij}_2 &= (\tilde{F}^{ij} - \tilde{F}^{i\beta} \tilde{F}_{\beta\alpha} \tilde{F}^{\alpha j}) \\
g^{ij}_2 &= \tilde{g}^{ij} - \tilde{g}^{i\beta} \tilde{F}_{\beta\alpha} \tilde{F}^{\alpha j} + \tilde{F}^{i\beta} \tilde{F}_{\beta\alpha} \tilde{g}^{\alpha\gamma} \tilde{F}^{\gamma j} - \tilde{F}^{i\beta} \tilde{F}_{\beta\alpha} \tilde{g}^{\alpha j}.
\end{align*}

Now we are able to prove the following
Proposition 4.5. The Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure on $Q$ admits a dispersionless limit. The corresponding bihamiltonian structure of hydrodynamic type gives a flat pencil of metrics on the Slodowy slice $Q'$.

Proof. We note that (4.8) is the formula of the Dirac reduction of the Lie-Poisson brackets of $\mathfrak{g}$ to the finite space $Q'$. The fact that Slodowy slice is transversal to the orbit space of the nilpotent element and this orbit has dimension $n - r$ yield $F^{ij}_{2}$ is trivial. From proposition 4.2 it follows that $F^{ij}_{2}$ is not trivial. This prove that the brackets $\{.,.\}_{2}^{Q}$ admits a dispersionless limit.

From propositions 3.6 and 3.7 it follows that $\{.,.\}_{1}^{Q}$ admits a dispersionless limit and the matrix $g^{ij}_{2}$ is nondegenerate. Therefore, the two matrices $g^{ij}_{1}$ and $g^{ij}_{2}$ define a flat pencil of metrics on $Q'$. □

Now we want to study the quasihomogeneity of the entries of the matrix $g^{ij}_{2}$. We assign the degree $\mu_{1} + 2$ to $z^{I}(x)$ if $\xi_{I}^{*} \in \mathfrak{g}_{\mu_{1}}$. These degrees agree with those given in corollary 3.4. We observe that degree $z^{n-I+1}$ equal to $-\mu_{1} - 2$ from our order of the basis, and an entry $\tilde{F}^{ij}_{\beta \alpha}$ is quasihomogenous of degree $\mu_{1} + \mu_{j} + 2$ since $[\mathfrak{g}_{\mu_{1}}, \mathfrak{g}_{\mu_{j}}] \subset \mathfrak{g}_{\mu_{1} + \mu_{j}}$.

The following proposition proved in [5]

Proposition 4.6. The matrix $\tilde{F}_{\beta \alpha}$ restricted to $Q$ is polynomial and the entry $\tilde{F}_{\beta \alpha}$ is quasihomogenous of degree $-\mu_{\beta} - \mu_{\alpha} - 2$

Proposition 4.7. The entry $g^{ij}_{2}$ is quasihomogenous of degree $2\eta_{i} + 2\eta_{j}$

Proof. We will derive the quasihomogeneity from the expression (4.9). We know that the matrix $\tilde{F}^{ij}_{\beta \alpha}$ is constant antidiagonal, i.e $g^{ij}_{2} = C^{I} \delta^{I}_{n-I+1}$ where $C^{I}$ are nonzero constants. In particular $g^{ij} = 0$. Now for a fixed $i$ we have

$$\tilde{g}^{ij}_{\beta \alpha} \tilde{F}_{\beta \alpha} = C^{i} \tilde{F}^{n-i+1}_{-i+1, \alpha} \tilde{F}^{\alpha j}.$$

But then the left hand sight is quasihomogenous of degree

$$\mu_{j} + \mu_{\alpha} + 2 - \mu_{\alpha} - (\mu_{i}) - 2 = \mu_{j} + \mu_{i} = 2\eta_{i} + 2\eta_{j}.$$

A similar argument show that $\tilde{F}^{ij}_{\beta \alpha} \tilde{g}^{\alpha j}$ is quasihomogeneous of degree $2\eta_{i} + 2\eta_{j}$. Let us consider

$$\tilde{F}^{ij}_{\beta \alpha} \tilde{g}^{\alpha \gamma} \tilde{F}^{\gamma j}_{\varphi \psi} = \sum_{\alpha} C^{\alpha} \tilde{F}^{ij}_{\beta \alpha} \tilde{F}^{\alpha \gamma}_{-\alpha + 1} \tilde{F}^{\gamma j}_{\psi \varphi}.$$

Then any term in this summation will have the degree

$$\mu_{i} + \mu_{j} + 2 - \mu_{\beta} - \mu_{\alpha} - 2 - \mu_{n-\alpha+1} - \mu_{\gamma} - 2 + \mu_{\gamma} + \mu_{j} + 2 = 2\eta_{i} + 2\eta_{j}.$$

This complete the proof. □
5. Polynomial Frobenius manifold

Let us consider the finite dimension manifold $Q'$ defined by the coordinates $z^1, \ldots, z^n$. We will obtain a natural polynomial Frobenius structure on $Q'$.

The proof of the following proposition depends only on the quasihomogeneity of the matrix $g_1^{ij}$.

**Proposition 5.1.** [10] There exist quasihomogenous polynomials coordinates of degree $d_i$ in the form

$$t^i = z^i + T^i(z^1, \ldots, z^{i-1})$$

such that the matrix $g_1^{ij}(t)$ is constant antidiagonal.

For the remainder of this section, we fix a coordinates $(t^1, \ldots, t^n)$ satisfying the proposition above. The following proposition emphasis that under this change of coordinates some entries of the matrix $g_2^{ij}$ remain invariant.

**Proposition 5.2.** The second metric $g_2^{ij}(t)$ and its Levi-Civita connection have the following entries

$$g_2^{1n}(t) = (\eta_i + 1)t^i, \quad \Gamma_2^{ij}(t) = \eta_j \delta^i_j$$

**Proof.** We know from proposition 4.2 that in the coordinates $z^i$ the matrix $g_2^{ij}(z)$ and its Levi-Civita connection have the following entries

$$g_2^{1n}(z) = (\eta_i + 1)z^i, \quad \Gamma_2^{ij}(z) = \eta_j \delta^i_j$$

Let $E'$ denote the Euler vector field give by

$$E' = \sum_i (\eta_i + 1)z^i \partial z^i.$$ 

Then from the quasihomogeneity of $t^i$ we have $E'(t^i) = (\eta_i + 1)t^i$. The formula for change of coordinates and the fact that $t^1 = z^1$ give the following

$$g_2^{ij}(t) = \partial_{z^a} t^i \partial_{z^b} t^j g_2^{ab}(z) = E'(t^j) = (\eta_j + 1)t^j.$$ 

For the contravariant Levi-Civita connection the change of coordinates has the following formula

$$\Gamma_2^{ij}(t)dt^k = \left( \partial_{z^a} t^i \partial_{z^b} t^j g_2^{ab}(z) + \partial_{z^a} t^k \partial_{z^b} t^j \Gamma_2^{ab}(z) \right) dz^c.$$ 

But then we get

$$\Gamma_2^{ij}(t)dt^k = \left( E'(\partial_{z^c} t^j) + \partial_{z^b} t^i \Gamma_2^{1b} \right) dz^c$$

$$= \left( (\eta_j - \eta_c) \partial_{z^c} t^j + \eta_c \partial_{z^c} t^j \right) dz^c = \eta_j \partial_{z^c} t^j dz^c = \eta_j dt^j$$

We arrive to our basic result
Theorem 5.3. The flat pencil of metrics on the Slodowy slice $Q'$ obtained from the dispersionless limit of Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure on $Q$ (see proposition 4.5) is regular quasihomogenous of degree $\kappa - 1 \kappa + 1$.

Proof. In the notations of definition 2.1 we take $\tau = \frac{1}{\kappa + 1} t^1$ then

$$E = g_2^{ij} \partial_{t^j} \tau \partial_{t^i} = \frac{1}{\kappa + 1} \sum_i (\eta_i + 1) t^i \partial_{t^i},$$

$$e = g_1^{ij} \partial_{t^j} \partial_{t^i} = \partial_t.$$  

We see immediately that $[e, E] = e$.

The identity

$$Le(\cdot, \cdot)_2 = (\cdot, \cdot)_1$$

follows from and the fact that $\partial_t = \partial_z$ and proposition 3.7. The fact that

$$Le(\cdot, \cdot)_1 = 0.$$  

is a consequence from the quasihomogeneity of the matrix $g_1^{ij}$ (see lemma 3.5). We also obtain from proposition 4.7

$$LE(\cdot, \cdot)_2 = (d - 1)(\cdot, \cdot)_2$$

since

$$LE(\cdot, \cdot)_2(dt^i, dt^j) = E(g_2^{ij}) - \frac{\eta_i + 1}{\kappa + 1} g_2^{ij} + \frac{\eta_j + 1}{\kappa + 1} g_2^{ij} = \frac{\eta_i - \eta_j}{\kappa + 1} g_2^{ij}.$$  

The (1,1)-tensor

$$R_1^j = \frac{d - 1}{2} \delta_i^j + \nabla_1 E^j = \frac{\eta_i}{\kappa + 1} \delta_i^j.$$  

Hence it is nondegenerate. This complete the proof. □

Now we are ready to prove theorem 1.1.

Proof. [Theorem 1.1] It follows from theorem 5.3 and 2.2 that $Q'$ has a Frobenius structure of degree $\frac{\kappa - 1}{\kappa + 1}$ from the dispersionless limit of Drinfeld-Sokolov bihamiltonian structure. This Frobenius structure is polynomial since in the coordinates $t^i$ the potential $F$ is constructed from equations (2.11) and we know from proposition 4.6 that the matrix $g_2^{ij}$ is polynomial. □

5.1. Conclusions and remarks. The results of the present work can be generalized to some class of distinguished nilpotent elements in simple Lie algebras. In particular, we notice that the existence of opposite Cartan subalgebras is the main reason behind the examples of algebraic Frobenius manifolds constructed in [6] which are associated to distinguished nilpotent elements in the Lie algebra of type $F_4$. In [6] we discussed how these examples support Dubrovin conjecture. Our goal is to develop a method to uniform the construction of all algebraic Frobenius manifolds that could
be obtained from distinguished nilpotent elements in simple Lie algebras by performing the generalized Drinfeld-Sokolov reduction. Similar treatment of the present work for algebraic Frobenius manifolds that could be obtained from subregular nilpotent elements in simple Lie algebras is now under preparation.

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