

# *Article* **3-Hom–Lie Yang–Baxter Equation and 3-Hom–Lie Bialgebras**

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we first introduce the notion of a 3-Hom–Lie bialgebra and give an equivalent description of the 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras, the matched pairs and the Manin triples of 3-Hom–Lie algebras. In addition, we define O-operators of 3-Hom-Lie algebras and construct solutions of the 3-Hom–Lie Yang–Baxter equation in terms of O-operators and 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebras. Finally, we show that a 3-Hom–Lie algebra has a phase space if and only if it is sub-adjacent to a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra.

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## **1. Introduction**

Hom–algebras were first introduced in the Lie algebra setting [\[1\]](#page-16-0) with motivation from physics though the origin can be traced back in earlier literature such as [\[2\]](#page-16-1), where the Jacobi identity was twisted by an endomorphism, namely  $\left[\alpha(x), \left[y, z\right]\right] + \left[\alpha(y), \left[z, x\right]\right] +$ [*α*(*z*), [*x*, *y*]] = 0. In [\[3\]](#page-16-2), Yau extended the notion of Lie bialgebras to Hom–Lie bialgebras and studied the classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation using the twisted map, namely

$$
CH(r) = [r^{12}, r^{13}] + [r^{12}, r^{23}] + [r^{13}, r^{23}] = 0.
$$

In [\[4\]](#page-16-3), Sheng and Bai defined a new kind of Hom–Lie bialgebra which was equivalent to Manin triples of Hom–Lie algebras and constructed solutions of the classical Hom–Yang– Baxter equation in terms of  $O$ -operators. Later, in [\[5\]](#page-16-4), Tao, Bai and Guo introduced the notion of a Hom–Lie bialgebra with emphasis on its compatibility with a Manin triple of Hom–Lie algebras associated to a nondegenerate symmetric bilinear form satisfying a new invariance condition.

3-Lie algebras were special types of *n*-Lie algebras and played an important role in string theory [\[6](#page-16-5)[,7\]](#page-16-6). In [\[8\]](#page-16-7), Sheng and Tang proved that a 3-Lie algebra has a phase space if and only if it is sub-adjacent to a 3-pre-Lie algebra. In [\[9\]](#page-16-8), Ataguema, Makhlouf and Silvestrov extended the notion of 3-Lie algebras to 3-Hom–Lie algebras and presented constructions from 3-Lie algebras. Because of close relation to discrete and conformal vector fields, 3-Lie algebras and 3-Hom–Lie algebras were widely studied in the following aspects. In [\[10\]](#page-16-9), Liu, Chen and Ma described the representations and module-extensions of 3-Hom–Lie algebras. In [\[11\]](#page-16-10), Abdaoui, Mabrouk, Makhlouf and Massoud introduced and studied 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras, which are a ternary version of Hom–Lie bialgebras introduced by Yau. In [\[12\]](#page-16-11), Ben Hassine, Chtioui and Mabrouk introduced the notion of 3-Hom–*L*-dendriform algebras which is the dendriform version of 3-Hom–Lie-algebras and studied their properties, the authors introduced the classical Yang–Baxter equation and Manin triples for 3-Lie algebras in [\[13,](#page-16-12)[14\]](#page-16-13). Recently, we introduced the notion of 3-Hom– Lie-Rinehart algebras and systematically described a cohomology complex by considering



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coefficient modules in [\[15\]](#page-16-14). Motivated by the work of [\[4,](#page-16-3)[8\]](#page-16-7), it is natural and meaningful to study 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras and the phase space on 3-Hom–Lie algebras. This becomes our first motivation for writing the present paper.

The classical Yang–Baxter equation was investigated by Sklyanin [\[16\]](#page-16-15) in the context of quantum inverse scattering method, which has a close connection with many branches of mathematical physics and pure mathematics. In [\[3\]](#page-16-2), Yau extended the notion of classical Yang–Baxter equation to classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation and presented some solutions using the twisting method. In [\[17\]](#page-16-16), Wang, Wu and Cheng studied the 3-Lie classical Hom– Yang–Baxter equation on coboundary local cocycle 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras. Recently, the classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation in Hom–Lie algebras has been studied widely in terms of Hom–O-operators [\[18\]](#page-16-17) and quasitriangular structures [\[3\]](#page-16-2). Motivated by the recent work on the classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation, in this paper, we will study 3-Lie classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation in terms of O-operators. This becomes another motivation for writing the present paper.

In this paper, we continue the study of 3-Hom–Lie algebras and give a new description of 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras. It needs to be emphasized that there are results on 3-Hom–Lie algebras in this paper which are not "parallel" to the case of Hom–Lie algebras given in [\[4\]](#page-16-3). Because of the complexity of 3-Hom–Lie algebras, we need some technique to complete this paper. Now given a 3-Hom–Lie bialgebra (*L*, *L* ∗ ), *L* ⊕ *L* ∗ is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra such that  $(L \oplus L^*, L, L^*)$  is a Manin triple of 3-Hom–Lie algebras. We also study the 3-Lie classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation in detail, and construct a solution in the semidirect 3-Hom–Lie algebra by introducing a notion of an O-operator for a 3-Hom–Lie algebra. Finally, we describe symplectic structures and phase spaces of 3-Hom–Lie algebras from 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra structures.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section [2,](#page-1-0) we recall some concepts and results, and introduce the notions of the matched pairs of 3-Hom–Lie algebras, the 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras and the Manin triples of 3-Hom–Lie algebras. In Section [3,](#page-7-0) we introduce the notion of the O-operator and construct solutions of the 3-Lie classical Hom–Yang–Baxter equation in terms of  $O$ -operators and 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebras. In Section [4,](#page-13-0) we introduce the notion of the phase space of a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and show that a 3-Hom–Lie algebra has a phase space if and only if it is sub-adjacent to a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra.

#### <span id="page-1-0"></span>**2. 3-Hom–Lie Bialgebras**

In this section, we will recall some basic notions and facts about 3-Hom–Lie algebras and present some examples. Then we give an equivalent description of the 3-Hom–Lie bialgebras, the matched pairs and the Manin triples of 3-Hom–Lie algebras.

**Definition 1** ([\[19\]](#page-16-18))**.** *A 3-Hom–Lie algebra is a triple* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *consisting of a vector space L, a 3-ary skew-symmetric operation* [·, ·, ·] : ∧ <sup>3</sup>*L* → *L and an algebra morphism α* : *L* → *L satisfying the following 3-Hom–Jacobi identity*

$$
[\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [u, v, w]] = [[x, y, u], \alpha(v), \alpha(w)] + [\alpha(u), [x, y, v], \alpha(w)] + [\alpha(u), \alpha(v), [x, y, w]],
$$

*for any*  $x, y, u, v, w \in L$ *.* 

A 3-Hom–Lie algebra is called regular if *α* is an algebra automorphism.

**Example 1.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·]) *be a 3-Lie algebra and α* : *L* → *L an algebra morphism, then the algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·]*α*, *α*) *is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra, where* [·, ·, ·]*<sup>α</sup> is defined by*

$$
[x_1, x_2, x_3]_{\alpha} = [\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), \alpha(x_3)].
$$

**Example 2.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and*  $β : L \rightarrow L$  *an algebra morphism such that*  $αβ = βα$ *, then*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_{αβ} = [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot] ∘ (β ⊗ β ⊗ α)$ *,*  $α ∘ β)$  *is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra.* 

**Example 3.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra over a filed F and t an indeterminate, define*  $\overline{L}$  :  $\{\sum(x \otimes t + y \otimes t^n) \subset L \otimes (F[t]/t^{n+1}) | x, y \in L) \}, \overline{\alpha}(\overline{L}) = \{\sum(\alpha(x) \otimes t + \alpha(y) \otimes t^n) :$  $f(x,y) \in L$ . *Then*  $(\overline{L}, \overline{\alpha})$  *is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra with the operation*  $[x_1 \otimes t^{i_1}, x_2 \otimes t^{i_2}, x_3 \otimes t^{i_3}]=0$  $[x_1, x_2, x_3] \otimes t^{\sum i_j}$  *for all*  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in L$  *and*  $i_1, i_2, i_3 \in \{1, 2, 3\}.$ 

**Definition 2** ([\[10\]](#page-16-9))**.** *A representation of a 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *on the vector space V with respect to*  $A \in gl(V)$  *is a bilinear map*  $\rho : L \wedge L \rightarrow gl(V)$ *, such that for any*  $x, y, z, u, v \in L$ *, the following equalities are satisfied:*

$$
\rho(\alpha(u), \alpha(v)) \circ A = A \circ \rho(u, v),
$$
  
\n
$$
\rho([x, y, z], \alpha(u)) \circ A = \rho(\alpha(y), \alpha(z))\rho(x, u) + \rho(\alpha(z), \alpha(x))\rho(y, u) + \rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(y))\rho(z, u),
$$
  
\n
$$
\rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(y))\rho(z, u) = \rho(\alpha(z), \alpha(u))\rho(x, y) + \rho([x, y, z], \alpha(u)) \circ A + \rho(\alpha(z), [x, y, u]) \circ A.
$$

*Then* (*V*, *A*, *ρ*) *is called a representation of L.*

**Lemma 1** ([\[10\]](#page-16-9)). *Let*  $(V, A, \rho)$  *be a representation of a 3-Hom–Lie algebra*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$ *. Then there is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra structure on the direct sum of vector spaces L*  $\oplus$  *V*, *defined by* 

$$
[x_1 + v_1, x_2 + v_2, x_3 + v_3] = [x_1, x_2, x_3] + \rho(x_1, x_2)v_3 + \rho(x_2, x_3)v_1 + \rho(x_3, x_1)v_2,
$$
  
\n
$$
(\alpha \oplus A)(x_1 + v_1) = \alpha(x_1) + Av_1,
$$

*for any*  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in L$  *and*  $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in V$ .

**Example 4.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a 3-Hom-Lie algebra and  $ad(x, y)z = [x, y, z]$ , for all  $x, y, z \in L$ . *Then,* (*L*, *α*, *ad*) *is called a regular representation of L.*

**Definition 3.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  and  $(L', [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]', \alpha')$  be two 3-Hom–Lie algebras. A morphism from  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *to*  $(L', [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]', \alpha')$  *is a* 3-Lie algebra morphism  $f: L \to L'$  satisfying  $f \circ \alpha = \alpha' \circ f$ .

**Proposition 1.** *If*  $f : (L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha) \longrightarrow (L', [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]', \alpha')$  *is a* 3-Hom–Lie algebras morphism, then  $(L', \rho, \alpha')$  becomes a representation of L via f, that is, for all  $(x, y, z) \in L^2 \times L'$ ,  $\rho(x, y)z =$  $[f(x), f(y), z]'$ .

**Proof.** First, for any  $x, y \in L$ ,  $z \in L'$  we have

$$
\rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(y))\alpha'(z) = [f(\alpha(x)), f(\alpha(y)), \alpha'(z)]'
$$
  
\n
$$
= [\alpha'(f(x)), \alpha'(f(y)), \alpha'(z)]'
$$
  
\n
$$
= \alpha'[f(x), f(y), z]'
$$
  
\n
$$
= \alpha' \rho(x, y)z.
$$

Next, for all  $x, y, z, u \in L, z \in L'$  we have

$$
\rho([x,y,z], \alpha(u)) \circ \alpha' - \rho(\alpha(y), \alpha(z))\rho(x, u) - \rho(\alpha(z), \alpha(x))\rho(y, x) - \rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(y))\rho(z, u) \n= [f([x,y,z], f(\alpha(x)), \alpha'(v)]' - [f(\alpha(y)), f(\alpha(z)), \rho(x, u)v]'\n- [f(\alpha(z)), f(\alpha(x)), \rho(y, u)v]' - [f(\alpha(x)), f(\alpha(y)), \rho(z, u)v]'\n= [[f(x), f(y), f(z)]'\alpha' f(u)), \alpha'(v)]' - [\alpha' f(y)), \alpha' (f(z)), [f(x), f(u), v]']' \n- [\alpha' f(z)), \alpha' (f(x)), [f(y), f(u), v]']' - [\alpha' f(x)), \alpha' (f(y)), [f(z), f(u), v]']' \n= 0(by3 - HomJacobiidentity),\n\rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(y))\rho(z, u) - \rho(\alpha(z), \alpha(u))\rho(x, y) - \rho([x, y, z], \alpha(u))\alpha'(v) - \rho(\alpha(z), [x, y, u])\alpha'(v) \n= [f(\alpha(x), f(\alpha(y), \rho(z, u)v)]' - [f(\alpha(z), f(\alpha(u), \rho(x, y)v)]' \n- [f([x, y, z], f(\alpha(u)), \alpha'(v)]' - [f(\alpha(z)), f([x, y, u]), \alpha'(v)]' \n= [\alpha' (f(x)), \alpha' (f(y)), [f(z), f(u), v]]' - [\alpha' (f(u)), [f(x), f(y), v]]']' \n- [[f(x), f(y), f(z)]', \alpha' (f(u)), \alpha'(v)]' - [\alpha' (f(z)), [f(x), f(y), f(u)]', \alpha'(v)]' \n= 0(by3 - HomJacobiidentity).
$$

This finishes the proof.  $\square$ 

**Proposition 2.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  and  $(L', [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]', \alpha')$  be two 3-Hom–Lie algebras. Suppose that *there are two skew-symmetric linear maps*  $\rho: L \otimes L \to gl(L')$  *and*  $\mu: L' \otimes L' \to gl(L)$  *which are representations of L and L*<sup>0</sup> *respectively, satisfying the following equations:*

$$
\mu(\alpha'(a_4), \alpha'(a_5))[x_1, x_2, x_3] - [\mu(a_4, a_5)x_1, \alpha(x_2), \alpha(x_3)] -[\alpha(x_1), \mu(a_4, a_5)x_2, \alpha(x_3)] - [\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), \mu(a_4, a_5)x_3] = 0,
$$
 (1)

$$
\mu(\rho(x_1, x_4)a_5, \alpha'(a_3))\alpha(x_2) - \mu(\rho(x_2, x_4)a_5, \alpha'(a_3))\alpha(x_1) -\mu(\rho(x_1, x_2)a_3, \alpha'(a_3))\alpha(x_4) + [\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), \mu(a_3, a_5)x_4] = 0,
$$
 (2)

$$
[\mu(a_2, a_3)x_1, \alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5)] - \mu(\alpha'(a_2), \alpha'(a_3)) [x_1, x_4, x_5] -\mu(\rho(x_4, x_5)a_2, \alpha'(a_3))\alpha(x_1) - \mu(\alpha'(a_2), \rho(x_4, x_5)a_3)\alpha(x_1) = 0,
$$
 (3)

$$
\rho(\alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5))[a_1, a_2, a_3]' - [\rho(x_4, x_5)a_1, \alpha'(a_2), \alpha'(a_3)]'
$$
  
 
$$
-[\alpha'(a_1), \rho(x_4, x_5)a_2, \alpha'(a_3)]' - [\alpha'(a_1), \alpha'(a_2), \rho(x_4, x_5)a_3]' = 0,
$$
 (4)

$$
-[\alpha'(a_1), \rho(x_4, x_5)a_2, \alpha'(a_3)]' - [\alpha'(a_1), \alpha'(a_2), \rho(x_4, x_5)a_3]' = 0, \quad (4)
$$
  

$$
\rho(\mu(a_1, a_4)x_5, \alpha(x_3))\alpha'(a_2) - \rho(\mu(a_2, a_4)x_5, \alpha(x_3))\alpha'(a_1)
$$

$$
-\rho(\mu(a_1, a_2)x_3, \alpha(x_5))\alpha'(a_4) + [\alpha'(a_1), \alpha'(a_2), \rho(x_3, x_5)a_4]' = 0,
$$
 (5)  

$$
[\rho(x_2, x_3)a_1, \alpha'(a_4), \alpha'(a_5)] - \rho(\alpha(x_2), \alpha(x_3))[a_1, a_4, a_5]'
$$

$$
-\rho(\mu(a_4,a_5)x_2,\alpha(x_3))\alpha'(a_1)-\rho(\alpha(x_2),\mu(a_4,a_5)x_3)\alpha'(a_1)=0,
$$
 (6)

for any  $x_i \in L$  and  $a_i \in L'$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 5$ . Then, there is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra structure on  $L \oplus L'$ *defined by*

$$
(\alpha \oplus \alpha')(x_1 + a_1) = \alpha(x_1) + \alpha'(a_1),
$$
  
\n
$$
[x_1 + a_1, x_2 + a_2, x_3 + a_3]_{L \oplus L'} = [x_1, x_2, x_3] + \rho(x_1, x_2)a_3 + \rho(x_3, x_1)a_2 + \rho(x_2, x_3)a_1
$$
  
\n
$$
+ [a_1, a_2, a_3]' + \mu(a_1, a_2)x_3 + \mu(a_3, a_1)x_2 + \mu(a_2, a_3)x_1.
$$

 $M$ oreover,  $(L, L', [\cdot,\cdot,\cdot], [\cdot,\cdot,\cdot]', \rho, \mu, \alpha, \alpha')$  satisfying the above conditions is called a matched *pair of 3-Hom–Lie algebras.*

**Proof.** Straightforward. □

**Definition 4.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra. A bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on L is called *invariant if it satisfies*

$$
\langle [x,y,z], \alpha(u) \rangle + \langle [x,y,u], \alpha(z) \rangle = 0, \forall x,y,z,u \in L.
$$

*A 3-Hom–Lie algebra L is called pseudo-metric if there is a non-degenerate symmetric invariant bilinear form on L.*

**Definition 5.** *A Manin triple of 3-Hom–Lie algebras consists of a pseudo-metric 3-Hom–Lie algebra*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle, \alpha)$  *and 3-Hom–Lie algebras*  $L_1$  *and*  $L_2$  *such that* 

*(1) L*1, *L*<sup>2</sup> *are isotropic 3-Hom–Lie subalgebras of L;*

*(2)*  $L = L_1 \oplus L_2$  *as the direct sum of vector spaces;* 

*(3) For all*  $x_1, y_1 \in L_1$  *and*  $x_2, y_2 \in L_2$ *, we have*  $pr_1[x_1, y_1, x_2] = 0$  *and*  $pr_2[x_2, y_2, x_1] = 0$ *, where pr*<sub>1</sub> *and pr*<sub>2</sub> *denote the projections from*  $L_1 \oplus L_2$  *to*  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ , *respectively.* 

Given a representation  $(V, A, \rho)$ , define  $\rho^* : L \wedge L \rightarrow gl(V^*)$  by

$$
\langle \rho^*(x,y)(f),v\rangle=-\langle f,\rho(x,y)(v)\rangle,\forall x,y\in L,f\in V^*,v\in V.
$$

As observed in [\[4\]](#page-16-3),  $(V^*, A^*, \rho^*)$  is not a representation of *L* on  $V^*$  with respect to  $A^*$ in general. It is easy to obtain the following result by Proposition 2.

**Proposition 3.** *Let* (*V*, *A*, *ρ*) *be a representation of a 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*)*. Then* (*V* ∗ , *A* ∗ , *ρ* ∗ )*is a representation of the 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*)*if the following conditions hold:*

(i) 
$$
A \circ \rho(\alpha(u), \alpha(v)) = \rho(u, v) \circ A
$$
,  
\n(ii)  $A \circ \rho([x, y, z], \alpha(u)) = \rho(y, z)\rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(u)) + \rho(z, x)\rho(\alpha(y), \alpha(u)) + \rho(x, y)\rho(\alpha(z), \alpha(u))$ ,  
\n(iii)  $\rho(x, y)\rho(\alpha(z), \alpha(u)) = \rho(z, u)\rho(\alpha(x), \alpha(y)) + A \circ \rho([x, y, z], \alpha(u)) + A \circ \rho(\alpha(z), [x, y, u])$ ,

*for all*  $x, y, z, u, v \in L$ *.* 

A representation  $(V, A, \rho)$  is called admissible if  $(V^*, A^*, \rho^*)$  is also a representation, i.e., conditions (i),(ii) and (iii) in Proposition 3 are satisfied. When we focus on the adjoint representation, we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 1.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra. The adjoint representation  $(L, \alpha, ad)$  is *admissible if the following three equations hold:*

$$
[(id - \alpha^{2})(u), (id - \alpha^{2})(v), \alpha(w)] = 0,
$$
\n
$$
[[\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \alpha(z)], \alpha^{2}(u), \alpha(w)] = [y, z, [\alpha(x), \alpha(u), w]] + [z, x, [\alpha(y), \alpha(u), w]]
$$
\n
$$
+[x, y, [\alpha(z), \alpha(u, w]],
$$
\n(8)\n
$$
[x, y, [\alpha(z), \alpha(u), w]] = [z, u, [\alpha(x), \alpha(y)]] + [[\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \alpha(z)], \alpha^{2}(u), \alpha(w)]
$$
\n
$$
+[ \alpha^{2}(z), [\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \alpha(u)], \alpha(w) ],
$$
\n(9)

*for all x*, *y*, *z*, *u*, *v*, *w*  $\in$  *L*.

**Definition 6.** *A 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *is called admissible if its adjoint representation is admissible, i.e., Equations (7)–(9) are satisfied.*

In the following, we concentrate on the case that  $L'$  is  $L^*$ , the dual space of  $L$ , and  $\alpha' = \alpha^*$ ,  $\rho = ad^*$ ,  $\mu = a\partial^*$ , where  $a\partial^*$  is the dual map of  $a\partial$ .

Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]$ ,  $\alpha$ ) be an admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebra. Then, we have a natural nondegenerate symmetric bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on *L* ⊕ *L*<sup>\*</sup> given by

$$
\langle x+\xi, y+\eta \rangle = \langle x, \eta \rangle + \langle y, \xi \rangle, \forall x, y \in L, \xi, \eta \in L^*.
$$
 (10)

There is also a twist map *α* ⊕ *α* <sup>∗</sup> and a bracket operation [·, ·, ·]*L*⊕*<sup>L</sup>* <sup>∗</sup> on *L* ⊕ *L* <sup>∗</sup> given by

$$
(\alpha \oplus \alpha^*)(x + \xi) = \alpha(x) + \alpha^*(\xi),
$$
  
\n
$$
[x + \xi, y + \eta, z + \gamma]_{L \oplus L^*} = [x, y, z] + ad^*_{x,y}\gamma + ad^*_{y,z}\xi + ad^*_{z,x}\eta
$$
  
\n
$$
+ a\partial^*_{\xi, \eta}z + a\partial^*_{\eta, \gamma}x + a\partial^*_{\gamma, \xi}y + [\xi, \eta, \gamma]^*.
$$
\n(11)

Note that the bracket operation  $[\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_{L \oplus L^*}$  is naturally invariant with respect to the symmetric bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and satisfies the condition (10). Assume that (*L* ⊕ *L*<sup>\*</sup>, [⋅, ⋅, ⋅]<sub>*L*⊕*L*<sup>\*</sup>, α ⊕ α<sup>\*</sup>) is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra, then obviously *L* and *L*<sup>\*</sup> are isotropic subal-</sub> gebras. Consequently, ((*L* ⊕ *L*<sup>∗</sup>, ⟨⋅, ⋅), *α* ⊕ *α*<sup>\*</sup>), *L*, *L*<sup>\*</sup>) is a Manin triple, which is called the standard Manin triple of 3-Hom–Lie algebras.

Next we will show a close relation between the matched pair and the Manin triple of admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras.

**Lemma 2.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *and*  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  *be two admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras. If Equations* (1)−(3) *hold.* Then, (*L*, *L*<sup>\*</sup>, *ad*<sup>\*</sup>, *a*∂<sup>\*</sup>, α, *α*<sup>\*</sup>) *is a matched pair.* 

**Proof.** For any  $x_1, x_2, x_4 \in L$  and  $a_3, a_5, a_6 \in L^*$ , we have

$$
\langle -a\partial_{ad_{x_1,x_2}^*a_3,a_5}^{\ast}\alpha(x_4) + a\partial_{ad_{x_1,x_4}^*a_5,a_3}^{\ast}\alpha(x_2) - a\partial_{ad_{x_2,x_4}^*a_5,a_3}^{\ast}\alpha(x_1) \n+[\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), a\partial_{a_3,a_5}^{\ast}x_4], a_6\rangle \n= \langle [ad_{x_1,x_2}^{\ast}a_3, a_5, a_6]^{\ast}, \alpha(x_4) > -\langle [ad_{x_1,x_4}^{\ast}a_5, a_3, a_6]^{\ast}, \alpha(x_2)\rangle \n+ \langle [ad_{x_2,x_4}^{\ast}a_5, a_3, a_6]^{\ast} - ad_{\alpha(x_2),a\partial_{a_3,a_5}^{\ast}x_4}^{\ast}a_6, \alpha(x_1)\rangle \n= \langle x_1, ad_{x_2,a\partial_{a_5,a_6}^{\ast}x_4}\alpha^{\ast}(a_3) + ad_{x_4,a\partial_{a_3,a_6}^{\ast}x_2}\alpha^{\ast}(a_5) \n+ad_{x_2,x_4}^{\ast}a_5, \alpha^{\ast}(a_3), \alpha^{\ast}(a_6)]^{\ast} - ad_{x_2,a\partial_{a_3,a_5}^{\ast}x_4}\alpha^{\ast}(a_6)\rangle,
$$

which implies the equivalence between Equations (2) and (5). The proofs of Equation (1)  $\iff$  Equation (4), Equation (3)  $\iff$  Equation (6) are similar. □

**Proposition 4.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  and  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  be two admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras. *Then*  $(L \oplus L^*, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle, \alpha \oplus \alpha^*, L, L^*)$  *under the nondegenerate symmetric bilinear form (10) and the bracket operation (11) is a standard Manin triple if and only if* (*L*, *L* ∗ , *ad*<sup>∗</sup> , *a∂* ∗ , *α*, *α* ∗ ) *is a matched pair.*

**Proof.** Straightforward from Lemma 2. □

**Theorem 1.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *and*  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  *be two admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras,*  $\Delta$ : *L* → *L* ⊗ *L* ⊗ *L a linear map. Suppose that* ∆ ∗ : *L* <sup>∗</sup> ⊗ *L* <sup>∗</sup> ⊗ *L* <sup>∗</sup> → *L* <sup>∗</sup> *defines a 3-Hom–Lie algebra structure* [·, ·, ·] ∗ *on L* ∗ *. Then,* (*L*, *L* ∗ , *ad*<sup>∗</sup> , *a∂* ∗ , *α*, *α* ∗ ) *is a matched pair if and only if the following equations are satisfied:*

$$
\Delta([x,y,z]) = (\alpha \otimes \alpha \otimes ad_{y,z})\Delta(x) + (\alpha \otimes \alpha \otimes ad_{z,x})\Delta(y) + (\alpha \otimes \alpha \otimes ad_{x,y})\Delta(z)
$$
(12)

$$
\Delta([x,y,z]) = (\alpha \otimes \alpha \otimes ad_{y,z})\Delta(x) + (\alpha \otimes ad_{y,z} \otimes \alpha)\Delta(x) + (ad_{y,z} \otimes \alpha \otimes \alpha)\Delta(x)
$$
(13)

 $(ad_{x,y}\otimes \alpha\otimes \alpha+\alpha\otimes \alpha\otimes ad_{x,y})\Delta(z)=(\alpha\otimes ad_{z,x}\otimes \alpha)\Delta(y)+(\alpha\otimes ad_{y,z}\otimes \alpha)\Delta(x)$  (14)

*for any*  $x, y, z \in L$ *.* 

**Proof.** Let  $\{e_1, e_2, ..., e_n\}$  be a basis of *L* and  $\{e_1^*, e_2^*, ..., e_n^*\}$  the dual basis. Suppose

$$
[e_i, e_j, e_k] = \sum_{l=1}^n c_{ijk}^l e_l, [e_i^*, e_j^*, e_k^*]^* = \sum_{l=1}^n d_{ijk}^l e_l^*.
$$

Let

$$
\alpha(e_i) = \sum_{s} f_s e_s, \alpha(e_j) = \sum_{n} g_n e_n, \alpha(e_k) = \sum_{n} h_m e_m,
$$
  

$$
\alpha^*(e_{\xi}^*) = \sum_{s} f_s^* e_s^*, \alpha^*(e_{\eta}^*) = \sum_{n} g_n^* e_n^*, \alpha^*(e_k^*) = \sum_{m} h_m^* e_m^*.
$$

Then we have

$$
ad_{e_i,e_j}^*e_k^* = -\sum_{l=1}^n c_{ijk}^l e_l^*, a\partial_{e_i^*, e_j^*}^*e_k = -\sum_{l=1}^n d_{ijk}^l e_l, \Delta(e_k) = \sum_{i,j,l=1}^n d_{ijl}^k e_i \otimes e_j \otimes e_k.
$$

By Equation (1), we have

$$
a\partial_{\alpha^*(e_{\xi}^*) , \alpha^*(e_{\eta}^*)}^*[e_i, e_j, e_k] - [a\partial_{e_{\xi}^* , e_{\eta}^*}^* e_i, \alpha(e_j), \alpha(e_k)]
$$
  
 
$$
-[\alpha(e_i), a\partial_{e_{\xi}^* , e_{\eta}^*}^* e_j, \alpha(e_k)] - [\alpha(e_i), \alpha(e_j), a\partial_{e_{\xi}^* , e_{\eta}^*}^* e_k] = 0.
$$

It follows that

$$
\sum_{l=1}^{n}(-f_{s}^{*}g_{n}^{*}d_{snm}^{l}c_{ijk}^{l}+g_{n}h_{m}d_{\xi\eta l}^{i}c_{lnm}^{m}+f_{s}h_{m}d_{\xi\eta l}^{j}c_{slm}^{m}+f_{s}g_{n}d_{\xi\eta l}^{k}c_{snl}^{m})=0,
$$

as the coefficient of  $e_m$ . On the other hand, the left hand side of the above equation is also the coefficient of *e<sup>ξ</sup>* ⊗ *e<sup>η</sup>* ⊗ *e<sup>m</sup>* in Equation (12). Thus, we deduce that Equation (1) is equivalent to Equation (12). The proofs of the other case are similar.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 7.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *and*  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  *be two admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras,*  $\Delta$ : *L* → *L* ⊗ *L* ⊗ *L be a linear map. Suppose that* ∆ ∗ : *L* <sup>∗</sup> ⊗ *L* <sup>∗</sup> ⊗ *L* <sup>∗</sup> → *L* <sup>∗</sup> *defines a 3-Hom–Lie*  $a$ lgebra structure  $[\cdot,\cdot,\cdot]^*$  on  $L^*$ . If  $\Delta$  satisfies Equations (12)–(14), then we call  $(L,L^*,\alpha,\Delta)$  a *double construction 3-Hom–Lie bialgebra.*

**Example 5.** *Consider the 4-dimensional 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *with respect to a basis* {*e*1,*e*2,*e*3,*e*4} *given by*

$$
[e_2,e_3,e_4]=e_1,\alpha(e_1)=-e_1,\alpha(e_2)=e_2,\alpha(e_3)=e_3,\alpha(e_4)=e_4.
$$

*Define the skew-symmetric linear map* ∆ : *L* → *L* ⊗ *L* ⊗ *L satisfying Equation (12) is given as follows*

$$
\Delta(e_1) = 0, \Delta(e_2) = e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3 + e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_4 + e_1 \wedge e_3 \wedge e_4,
$$
  
\n
$$
\Delta(e_3) = e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3 - e_1 \wedge e_3 \wedge e_4 + e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_4,
$$
  
\n
$$
\Delta(e_4) = -e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_4 + e_1 \wedge e_3 \wedge e_4 + e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_3,
$$

*then* (*L*, ∆) *is a double construction 3-Hom–Lie bialgebra.*

Combining Lemma 2, Proposition 6, Theorem 1 and Definition 7, we have

**Theorem 2.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *and*  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  *be two admissible* 3-Hom–Lie algebras,  $\Delta$ : *L* → *L* ⊗ *L* ⊗ *L be a linear map. Suppose that* ∆ ∗ : *L* <sup>∗</sup> ⊗ *L* <sup>∗</sup> ⊗ *L* <sup>∗</sup> → *L* <sup>∗</sup> *defines a 3-Hom–Lie algebra structure* [·, ·, ·] ∗ *on L*<sup>∗</sup> *. Then, the following statements are equivalent:*

*(1)* (*L*, *L* ∗ , *α*, ∆) *is a double construction 3-Hom–Lie bialgebra.*

*(2)*  $(L \oplus L^*, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle, \alpha \oplus \alpha^*)$  *is a standard Manin triple of admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras.* 

*(3)* (*L*, *L* ∗ , *ad*<sup>∗</sup> , *a∂* ∗ , *α*, *α* ∗ ) *is a matched pair of admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras.*

**Example 6.** *Consider the 4-dimensional 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *in Example 5 and*  ${e_1^*, e_2^*, e_3^*, e_4^*}$  *is the dual basis.* On the vector space  $L \oplus L^*$  define a bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  by Equation (10), the non-zero product of 3-Hom–Lie algebra structure on  $L \oplus L^*$  is given by

$$
[e_2, e_3, e_4] = e_1, \alpha(e_1) = -e_1, \alpha(e_2) = e_2, \alpha(e_3) = e_3, \alpha(e_4) = e_4,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_1^*, e_2^*, e_3^*]^* = e_2^* + e_3^* + e_4^*, [e_1^*, e_2^*, e_4^*]^* = e_2^* + e_3^* - e_4^*,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_1^*, e_3^*, e_4^*]^* = e_2^* - e_3^* - e_4^*, [e_1, e_2, e_1^*] = -e_3^*, [e_1, e_3, e_1^*] = e_2^*,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_2, e_3, e_1^*] = -e_1^*, [e_2, e_1^*, e_2^*] = -e_3 - e_4, [e_2, e_2^*, e_3^*] = -e_1,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_2, e_1^*, e_3^*] = e_2 - e_4, [e_2, e_2^*, e_4^*] = -e_1, [e_2, e_1^*, e_4^*] = e_2 + e_3,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_2, e_3^*, e_4^*] = -e_1, [e_3, e_1^*, e_2^*] = -e_3 - e_4, [e_3, e_2^*, e_3^*] = -e_1,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_3, e_2^*, e_4^*] = -e_1, [e_3, e_1^*, e_4^*] = e_2 - e_3, [e_3, e_3^*, e_4^*] = e_1,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_3, e_3^*, e_4^*] = e_1, [e_4, e_1^*, e_2^*] = -e_3 + e_4, [e_4, e_2^*, e_3^*] = -e_1,
$$
  
\n
$$
[e_4, e_1^*, e_3^*] = e_2 - e_4, [e_3, e_1^*, e_3^*] = e_2 + e_4.
$$

*They correspond to the double construction 3-Hom–Lie bialgebra* (*L*, ∆) *given in Example 5.*

#### <span id="page-7-0"></span>**3.** O**-Operators and 3-Hom–pre-Lie Algebras**

In this section, we mainly study the O-operator of a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and present a class of solutions of 3-Hom–Lie Yang–Baxter equations.

**Definition 8.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and*  $(V, A, \rho)$  *a representation. A linear operator*  $T: V \to L$  *is called an*  $\mathcal{O}$ -operator associated to  $(V, A, \rho)$  *if*  $T$  *satisfies: for any*  $u, v, w \in L$ ,

$$
\alpha \circ T = T \circ A,\tag{15}
$$

$$
[Tu, Tv, Tw] = T(\rho(Tu, Tv)w + \rho(Tv, Tw)u + \rho(Tw, Tw)v).
$$
 (16)

**Example 7.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra. An* O*-operator of L associated to the adjoint representation* (*L*, *ad*, *α*) *is nothing but the Rota-Baxter operator of weight zero introduced in [\[17\]](#page-16-16).*

**Definition 9.** *A 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra is a triple* (*L*, {·, ·, ·}, *α*) *consisting of a vector space L, with a trilinear map* {·, ·, ·} : *L* ⊗ *L* ⊗ *L* → *L and an algebra morphism α* : *L* → *L satisfying*

$$
\{x, y, z\} = -\{y, x, z\},\tag{17}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned} \{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), \{z, u, v\}\} &= \{[x, y, z]_C, \alpha(u), \alpha(v)\} + \{\alpha(z), [x, y, u]_C, \alpha(v)\} \\ &+ \{\alpha(z), \alpha(u), [x, y, v]_C\}, \end{aligned} \tag{18}
$$

$$
\begin{array}{rcl}\n\{[x,y,z], \alpha(u), \alpha(v)\} & = & \{\alpha(x), \alpha(y), [z, u, v]_{\mathbb{C}}\} + \{\alpha(y), \alpha(z), [x, u, v]_{\mathbb{C}}\} \\
& & + \{\alpha(z), \alpha(x), [y, u, v]_{\mathbb{C}}\},\n\end{array}\n\tag{19}
$$

*for any*  $x, y, z, u, v \in L$ *.* 

**Proposition 5.** *Let* (*L*, {·, ·, ·}, *α*) *be a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra. Then, the induced 3-commutator*

$$
[x, y, z]_C = \{x, y, z\} + \{y, z, x\} + \{z, x, y\},\tag{20}
$$

*defines a 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L c* , {·, ·, ·}*C*, *α*)*.*

**Proof.** It is easy to check that  $[\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_C$  is skew-symmetric. For any  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \in L$ , we have

$$
[\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), [x_3, x_4, x_5]_C]_C - [[x_1, x_2, x_3]_C, \alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5)]_C - [\alpha(x_3), [x_1, x_2, x_4]_C, \alpha(x_5)]_C
$$
  
\n
$$
-[\alpha(x_3), \alpha(x_4), [x_1, x_2, x_5]_C, ]_C
$$
  
\n
$$
= {\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), {x_3, x_4, x_5}} + {\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), {x_4, x_5, x_3}} + {\alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2), {x_5, x_3, x_4}}\n+ {\alpha(x_2), [x_3, x_4, x_5]_C, \alpha(x_1)} + {[x_3, x_4, x_5], \alpha(x_1), \alpha(x_2)}
$$
  
\n
$$
- {\alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5), {x_1, x_2, x_3}} - {\alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5), {x_2, x_3, x_1}} - {\alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5), {x_3, x_1, x_2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
- {[x_1, x_2, x_3], \alpha(x_4), \alpha(x_5)} - {\alpha(x_5), [x_1, x_2, x_3]_C, \alpha(x_4)}
$$
  
\n
$$
- {\alpha(x_5), \alpha(x_3), {x_1, x_2, x_4}} - {\alpha(x_5), \alpha(x_3), {x_2, x_4, x_1}} - {\alpha(x_5), \alpha(x_3), {x_2, x_4, x_1}}
$$
  
\n
$$
- {[x_1, x_2, x_4], \alpha(x_5), \alpha(x_3)} - {\alpha(x_3), [\alpha(x_3), [x_1, x_2, x_4]_C, \alpha(x_5)}
$$
  
\n
$$
- {\alpha(x_3), \alpha(x_4), {x_1, x_2, x_5}} - {\alpha(x_3), \alpha(x_4), {x_2, x_5, x_1}} - {\alpha(x_3), \alpha(x_4), {x_5, x_1, x_2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
- {[x_1, x_2, x_5]_C, \alpha(x_3), \alpha(x_4)} - {\alpha(x_4), [x_1, x_2, x_5]_C, \alpha
$$

Thus the proof is finished.  $\square$ 

**Definition 10.** Let  $(L, \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha)$  be a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra. The 3-Hom–Lie algebra  $(L^c, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]_C, \alpha)$ *is called the sub-adjacent 3-Hom–Lie algebra of* (*L*, {·, ·, ·}, *α*) *and* (*L*, {·, ·, ·}, *α*) *is called a compatible 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra of the 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L c* , [·, ·, ·]*C*, *α*)*.*

**Definition 11.** Let  $(L, \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha)$  and  $(L', \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}', \alpha')$  be two 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebras. A mor $p$ hism from  $(L, \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha)$  to  $(L', \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}', \alpha')$  is a 3-pre-Lie algebra morphism  $f: L \to L'$  satisfying  $f \circ \alpha = \alpha' \circ f$ .

<span id="page-8-0"></span>**Theorem 3.** Let  $\mathcal{L} = (L, \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha)$  *be a* 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra and  $\alpha' : \mathcal{L} \to \mathcal{L}$  *be a* 3-pre-Lie *algebras morphism such that α and α* 0 *commute. Define*

 $\{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}_{{\alpha}'} : L \times L \to L, \{x, y, z\}_{{\alpha}'} = {\alpha}'(\{x, y, z\}), \forall x, y, z \in L.$ 

*Then*  $\mathcal{L}'_\alpha = (L'_\alpha = L, \{x, y, z\}_{\alpha'}, \alpha')$  *is a* 3*-Hom–pre-Lie algebra, called*  $\alpha'$ *-twist or Yau twist of*  $\mathcal{L}$ *.*  $M$ oreover, assume that  ${\cal L}'=(L',\{\cdot,\cdot,\cdot\}'',\beta)$  is another 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra, and  $\beta':{\cal L}'\to{\cal L}'$ *is a* 3-Hom–pre-pre-Lie algebras morphism such that  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha'$  commute. Let  $f: \mathcal{L} \to \mathcal{L}'$  be a 3-Hom– *pre-Lie algebras morphism satisfying*  $f \circ \alpha' = \beta' \circ f$ *. Then,*  $f: \mathcal{L}_{\alpha'} \to \mathcal{L}'_{\beta'}$  *is a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebras morphism.*

**Proof.** Let  $x, y, z \in L$ ,

$$
{x,y,z}_{\alpha'} = \alpha'({x,y,z})
$$
  
\n
$$
= {\alpha'(x), \alpha'(y), \alpha'(z)}
$$
  
\n
$$
= -{\alpha'({y), \alpha'(x), \alpha'(z)}}\n
$$
= -\alpha'({y,x,z})
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\alpha'({y,x,z})
$$
  
\n
$$
= -{\alpha'({y,x,z})}
$$
  
\n
$$
{\alpha\alpha'(x), \alpha\alpha'(y), {z,u,v}_{\alpha'}{_{x'}}} = {\alpha\alpha'^2(x), \alpha\alpha'^2(y), \alpha'{\alpha'(z), \alpha'(u), \alpha'(v)} }
$$
  
\n
$$
= {\alpha\alpha'^2(x), \alpha\alpha'^2(y), {\alpha'^2(z)}, \alpha'^2(u), \alpha'^2(v)}\n= {\alpha\alpha'^2(x), \alpha'^2(y), \alpha'^2(z)|_C, \alpha\alpha'^2(u), \alpha\alpha'^2(v)}\n+ {\alpha\alpha'^2(z), [\alpha'^2(x), \alpha'^2(y), \alpha'^2(u)]}, \alpha\alpha'^2(v)}\n+ {\alpha\alpha'^2(z), \alpha\alpha'(u), [\alpha'^2(x), \alpha'^2(y), \alpha'^2(v)]}\n= {\{(x,y,z)_{\alpha'}\}, C, \alpha\alpha'(u), \alpha\alpha'(v)\}_{\alpha'}\n+ {\alpha\alpha'(z), (\alpha\alpha'(u))_{\alpha'} , (\alpha,y,v)_{\alpha'} \}.
$$
$$

Similarly, we have

$$
\begin{aligned} \{[x,y,z],\alpha\alpha'(u),\alpha\alpha'(v)\} &= \{\alpha\alpha'(x),\alpha\alpha'(y),[z,u,v]\} \\ &+ \{\alpha\alpha'(y),\alpha\alpha'(z),[x,u,v]_C\} \\ &+ \{\alpha\alpha'(z),\alpha\alpha'(x),[y,u,v]_C\}.\end{aligned}
$$

For the second assertion, we have

$$
f(\{x,y,z\}_{\alpha'}) = f(\{\alpha'(x),\alpha'(y),\alpha'(z)\})
$$
  
= { $f(\alpha'(x)), f(\alpha'(y)), f(\alpha'(z))\}'$   
= { $\beta'(f(x)), \beta'(f(y)), \beta'(f(z))\}'$ ).

 $\Box$ 

**Corollary 2.** *If*  $A = (A, \{ \cdot, \cdot, \cdot \}, \alpha)$  *is a* 3*-Hom–pre-Lie algebra, for any*  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ *, the following results hold:*

- 1. *The nth derived* 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra of type 1 of  $A$  is defined by  $A_1^n = (A, \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}^{(n)} =$ *α*<sup>*n*</sup> ∘ { ·, ·, ·}, *α*<sup>*n*+1</sup>).
- 2. *The n*th *derived* 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra of type 2 of *A* is defined by  $A_2^n = (A, \{ \cdot, \cdot, \cdot \}^{(2^n-1)}$  $\alpha^{2^n-1} \circ \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha^{2^n}\$

**Proof.** Apply Theorem [3](#page-8-0) with  $\alpha' = \alpha^n$  and  $\alpha' = \alpha^{2^n-1}$  respectively.

Define the left multiplication  $\mathcal{L}: \wedge^2 L \to gl(L)$  by  $\mathcal{L}(x, y)z = \{x, y, z\}$  for all  $x, y, z \in L$ . Then  $(L, \mathcal{L}, \alpha)$  is a representation of the 3-Hom–Lie algebra *L*. Similarly, we define the right multiplication  $\mathcal{R}: \wedge^2 L \to gl(L)$  by  $\mathcal{R}(x,y)z = \{z, x, y\}$ . If there is an admissible 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra structure on its dual space *L* ∗ , we denote the left multiplication and right multiplication by  $\mathcal{L}^*$  and  $\mathcal{R}^*$  respectively.

**Proposition 6.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and* (*V*, *A*, *ρ*) *a representation. Suppose that the linear map*  $T : V \to L$  *is an O*-operator associated to  $(V, A, \rho)$ . Then, there exists a *3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra structure on V given by*

$$
\{u,v,w\} = \rho(Tu,Tv)w, \forall u,v,w \in V.
$$

**Proof.** For any  $u, v, w \in V$ , we have

$$
{u,v,w} = \rho(Tu,Tv)w = -\rho(Tv,Tu)w = -\{v,u,w\}.
$$

Since  $[u, v, w]_C = \{u, v, w\} + \{v, w, u\} + \{w, u, v\}$ , we have

$$
[u,v,w]_C = \rho(Tu,Tv)w + \rho(Tv,Tw)u + \rho(Tw,Tu)v.
$$

Because *T* is an O-operator, we have

$$
T[u,v,w]_C=[Tu,Tv,Tw].
$$

For any  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$ ,  $v_4$ ,  $v_5 \in V$ , we have

$$
\{\beta(v_1), \beta(v_2), \{v_3, v_4, v_5\}\} = \rho(T \circ A(v_1), T \circ A(v_2))\rho(Tv_3, Tv_4)v_5,
$$
  

$$
\{[v_1, v_2, v_3], \beta(v_4), \beta(v_5)\}
$$
  

$$
= \rho(T[v_1, v_2, v_3], TA(v_4))A(v_5) = \rho([Tv_1, Tv_2, Tv_3], T \circ A(v_4))A(v_5),
$$
  

$$
\{\beta(v_3), [v_1, v_2, v_4], \beta(v_5)\}
$$
  

$$
= \rho(T \circ A(v_3), T[v_1, v_2, v_4])A(v_5) = \rho(T \circ A(v_3), [Tv_1, Tv_2, Tv_4])A(v_5),
$$
  

$$
\{\beta(v_3), \beta(v_4), \{v_1, v_2, v_5\}\} = \rho(T \circ A(v_3), T \circ A(v_4))\rho(Tv_1, Tv_2)v_5.
$$

Since  $(V, A, \rho)$  is a representation, we can check that Equations (18) and (19) hold. This finishes the proof.  $\square$ 

**Corollary 3.** Let  $T: V \to L$  be an  $\mathcal{O}$ -operator on a 3-Hom–Lie algebra  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  associated to *the representation*  $(V, A, \rho)$ *. Then, T is a morphism from the* 3-Hom–Lie algebra  $(V, [\cdot, \cdot]_C, A)$  *to*  $(A, [\cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$ .

**Proof.** For all  $u, v, w \in V$ , we have

$$
T([u, v, w]_C) = T(\{u, v, w\} + \{w, u, v\} + \{v, w, u\})
$$
  
=  $T(\rho(Tu, Tv)w + \rho(Tw, Tu)v + \rho(Tv, Tw)u)$   
=  $[Tu, Tv, Tw],$ 

as desired.  $\square$ 

**Example 8.** *Let*  $(A, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *be a* 3*-Hom–Lie algebra and*  $R : A \longrightarrow A$  *a* Rota-Baxter operator. *Define a new operation on A by*  $\{x, y, z\} = [R(x), R(y), z]$ . *Then,*  $(A, \{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha)$  *is a* 3-Hom–pre-*Lie algebra and R is a homomorphism from the sub-adjacent* 3*-Hom–Lie algebra* (*A*, [·, ·, ·]*C*, *α*) *to*  $(A, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$ .

**Proposition 7.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra. Then there exists a compatible 3-Hom– pre-Lie algebra if and only if there exists an invertible* O*-operator of L.*

**Proof.** Let *T* be an invertible *O*-operator of *L* associated to a representation  $(V, A, \rho)$ . Then there exists a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra structure on  $(V, A, \rho)$  defined by

$$
\{u,v,w\} = \rho(Tu,Tv)(w), \forall u,v,w \in V.
$$

Moreover, there is an induced 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra structure  $\{\cdot, \cdot, \cdot\}$  on  $L = T(V)$ given by

$$
\{x,y,z\} = T\{T^{-1}x, T^{-1}y, T^{-1}z\} = T\rho(x,y)T^{-1}z.
$$

Since *T* is an *O*-operator, we have

$$
[x,y,z] = T\rho(y,z)T^{-1}x + T\rho(z,x)T^{-1}y + T\rho(x,y)T^{-1}z
$$
  
= {x,y,z} + {y,z,x} + {z,x,y}.

Therefore,  $(L, \{\cdot, \cdot\}, \alpha)$  is a compatible 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra. Conversely, the identity map *id* is an  $\mathcal{O}$ -operator of  $L$ .  $\Box$ 

**Definition 12** ([\[17\]](#page-16-16)). *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and*  $r \in L \otimes L$ *. The equation* 

$$
[[r,r,r]]^{\alpha}=0
$$

*is called the 3-Hom–Lie Yang–Baxter equation.*

Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]$ ,  $\alpha$ ) be an admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebra. For any  $r \in L \otimes L$ , the induced skew-symmetric linear map  $r: L^* \to L$  is defined by

$$
\langle r(\xi),\eta\rangle=\langle r,\xi\wedge\eta\rangle.
$$

We denote the ternary operation  $\Delta^* : L^* \otimes L^* \otimes L^* \to L^*$  by  $[\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*$ . According to [\[17\]](#page-16-16), for any  $r = \sum_i x_i \otimes y_i \in L \otimes L$  and  $x \in L$ , one can define

$$
\Delta_1(x) = \sum_{i,j} [x, x_i, x_j] \otimes \alpha(y_j) \otimes \alpha(y_i),
$$
  

$$
\Delta_2(x) = \sum_{i,j} \alpha(y_i) \otimes [x, x_i, x_j] \otimes \alpha(y_j),
$$
  

$$
\Delta_3(x) = \sum_{i,j} \alpha(y_j) \otimes \alpha(y_i) \otimes [x, x_i, x_j].
$$

**Proposition 8.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *be an admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebra and*  $r \in L \otimes L$  *such that*  $\alpha^{\otimes^2}(r)=r.$  Suppose that  $r$  is skew-symmetric and  $\Delta=\Delta_1+\Delta_2+\Delta_3:L\to L\otimes L\otimes L.$  Then

$$
[\xi, \eta, \gamma]^* = ad^*_{r(\xi), r(\eta)} \gamma + ad^*_{r(\eta), r(\gamma)} \xi + ad^*_{r(\gamma), r(\xi)} \eta.
$$
 (21)

*Furthermore, we have*

$$
[r(\xi), r(\eta), r(\gamma)] - r([\xi, \eta, \gamma]^*) = [[r, r, r]](\xi, \eta, \gamma), \qquad (22)
$$

*for any ξ*, *η*, *γ* ∈ *L* ∗ *.*

**Proof.** Let  $r = \sum_i x_i \otimes y_i$ , then for any  $x, y \in L$  and  $\xi, \eta, \gamma \in L^*$ , we have

$$
\langle x, ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*}(\xi), r \circ \alpha^* (\eta) \gamma \rangle = \langle -[r \circ \alpha^* (\xi), r \circ \alpha^* (\eta), x], \gamma \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\langle r, \alpha^* (\eta) \otimes ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^* (\xi), x} \gamma \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \sum_i \langle y_i, \alpha^* (\eta) \rangle \langle r, \alpha^* (\xi) \otimes ad^*_{x, x_i} \gamma \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \sum_i \langle y_i, \alpha^* (\eta) \rangle \langle y_j, \alpha^* (\xi) \rangle \langle [x, x_i, x_j], \gamma \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \sum_{i,j} \langle \alpha(y_i), \eta \rangle \langle \alpha(y_j), \xi \rangle \langle [x, x_i, x_j], \gamma \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \langle \sum_{i,j} \alpha(y_j) \otimes \alpha(y_i) \otimes [x, x_i, x_j], \xi \otimes \eta \otimes \gamma \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \langle \Delta_3(x), \xi \otimes \eta \otimes \gamma \rangle.
$$

Similarly, we have

$$
\langle x, ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*}(\eta), r \circ \alpha^*(\gamma) (\xi) \rangle = \langle \Delta_1(x), \xi \otimes \eta \otimes \gamma \rangle, \langle x, ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\gamma), r \circ \alpha^*(\xi)}(\eta) \rangle
$$
  
=  $\langle \Delta_1(x), \xi \otimes \eta \otimes \gamma \rangle.$ 

It follows that

$$
\langle \Delta(x), \xi \otimes \eta \otimes \gamma \rangle
$$
  
=  $\langle \Delta_1(x) + \Delta_2(x) + \Delta_3(x), \xi \otimes \eta \otimes \gamma \rangle$   
=  $\langle x, ad^*_{\text{rot}^*(\eta), \text{rot}^*(\gamma)} \xi \rangle + \langle x, ad^*_{\text{rot}^*(\gamma), \text{rot}^*(\xi)} \eta \rangle + \langle x, ad^*_{\text{rot}^*(\xi), \text{rot}^*(\eta)} \gamma \rangle$   
=  $\langle x, [\xi, \eta, \gamma]^* \rangle.$ 

So Equation (21) holds as required. For Equation (22) we take any *κ* ∈ *L* <sup>∗</sup> and compute

$$
= \sum_{i,j,k} ([x_i, x_j, x_k] \otimes \alpha(y_i) \otimes \alpha(y_j) \otimes \alpha(y_k) (\xi, \eta, \gamma, \kappa)+\alpha(x_i) \otimes [y_i, x_j, x_k] \otimes \alpha(y_j) \otimes \alpha(y_k) (\xi, \eta, \gamma, \kappa)\n+\alpha(x_i) \otimes [y_i, x_j, x_k] \otimes \alpha(y_j) \otimes \alpha(y_k) (\xi, \eta, \gamma, \kappa)\n\alpha(x_i) \otimes \alpha(x_j) \otimes [y_i, y_j, x_k] \otimes \alpha(y_k) (\xi, \eta, \gamma, \kappa)\n=\alpha(x_i) \otimes \alpha(x_j) \otimes \alpha(x_k) \otimes [y_i, y_j, y_k] (\xi, \eta, \gamma, \kappa)\n=\sum_{i,j,k} \langle \xi, [x_i, x_j, x_k] \rangle \langle \eta, \alpha(y_j) \rangle \langle \gamma, \alpha(y_j) \rangle \langle \kappa, \alpha(y_k) \rangle + \langle \eta, [y_i, x_j, x_k] \rangle \langle \xi, \alpha(x_j) \rangle \langle \kappa, \alpha(y_k) \rangle +
$$

$$
\langle \kappa, [y_i, y_j, y_k] \rangle \langle \xi, \alpha(x_i) \rangle \langle \eta, \alpha(x_j) \rangle \langle \gamma, \alpha(x_k) \rangle
$$
  
= -\langle \xi, [r \circ \alpha^\*(\eta), r \circ \alpha^\*(\gamma), r \circ \alpha^\*(\kappa)) - \langle \eta, [r \circ \alpha^\*(\gamma), r \circ \alpha^\*(\xi), r \circ \alpha^\*(\kappa)) - \langle \gamma, [r \circ \alpha^\*(\xi), r \circ \alpha^\*(\eta), r \circ \alpha^\*(\kappa)) + \langle \kappa, [r \circ \alpha^\*(\xi), r \circ \alpha^\*(\eta), r \circ \alpha^\*(\gamma)) - \langle [r \circ \alpha^\*(\xi), r \circ \alpha^\*(\eta), r \circ \alpha^\*(\gamma)] - r \circ \alpha^\*([\xi, \eta, \gamma]^\*), \kappa \rangle.

So Equation (22) holds and this finishes the proof.  $\square$ 

**Proposition 9.** *Let*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *be a regular 3-Hom–Lie algebra and*  $r \in L \otimes L$  *such that α* ⊗<sup>2</sup> (*r*) = *r. Suppose r is skew-symmetric and nondegenerate. Then, r is a solution of the 3- Hom–Lie Yang–Baxter equation if and only if the nondegenerate skew-symmetric bilinear form B on L* defined by  $B(x, y) = \langle r^{-1}(x), y \rangle$  satisfies

$$
B(\alpha[x,y,z],w)-B(\alpha[x,y,w],z)+B(\alpha[x,z,w],y)-B(\alpha[y,z,w],x)=0,
$$

*for any*  $x, y, z, w \in L$ *.* 

**Proof.** For any  $x, y, z, w \in L$ , there exists  $\xi, \eta, \gamma, \kappa \in L^*$  such that  $r(\xi) = x, r(\eta) = y$ , *r*( $\gamma$ ) = *z*, *r*( $\kappa$ ) = *w*. If  $[[r, r, r]]^{\alpha} = 0$ , we have

$$
B(\alpha[x,y,z],w)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \langle \alpha[r(\xi),r(\eta),r(\gamma)],\kappa \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \langle r \circ \alpha^*(ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\xi),r \circ \alpha^*(\eta)} \gamma + ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\eta),r \circ \alpha^*(\gamma)} \xi + ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\gamma),r \circ \alpha^*(\xi)} \eta),\kappa \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \langle ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\xi),r \circ \alpha^*(\eta)} \gamma + ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\eta),r \circ \alpha^*(\gamma)} \xi + ad^*_{r \circ \alpha^*(\gamma),r \circ \alpha^*(\xi)} \eta, -\alpha \circ r(\kappa) \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= \langle \gamma, \alpha[x,y,w] \rangle - \langle -\xi, \alpha[y,z,w] \rangle - \langle -\eta, \alpha[z,x,w] \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
= B(\alpha[x,y,w],z) - B(\alpha[x,z,w],y) + B(\alpha[y,z,w],x).
$$

Thus the proof is finished.  $\square$ 

#### <span id="page-13-0"></span>**4. Symplectic Structures and Phase Spaces of 3-Hom–Lie Algebras**

In this section, we introduce the notions of symplectic structures and phase spaces of 3-Hom–Lie algebras, and prove that a 3-Hom–Lie algebra has a phase space if and only if it is sub-adjacent to a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra.

**Definition 13.** *A symplectic structure on a regular 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *is a nonde*generate skew-symmetric bilinear form  $\omega \in L^* \wedge L^*$  satisfying the following equality

$$
\omega([x,y,z], \alpha(w)) - \omega([y,z,w], \alpha(x)) + \omega([z,w,x], \alpha(y)) - \omega([w,x,y], \alpha(z)) = 0, \quad (23)
$$

*for any*  $x, y, z, w \in L$ *.* 

**Definition 14** ([\[20\]](#page-16-19)). Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and  $B: L \times L \rightarrow F$  be a non*degenerate symmetric bilinear form on L. If B satisfies*

$$
B([x, y, z], w) + B(z, [x, y, w]) = 0, \forall x, y, z, w \in L.
$$
 (24)

*Then B is called a metric on 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *and* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*, *B*) *is a metric 3-Hom–Lie algebra.*

If there exists a metric *B* and a symplectic structure  $\omega$  on the 3-Hom–Lie algebra  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$ , then  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha, B, \omega)$  is called a metric symplectic 3-Hom–Lie algebra.

Let (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*, *B*) be a metric 3-Hom–Lie algebra, we denote

$$
Der_B(L) = \{D \in Der(L)|B(Dx,y) + B(x,Dy) = 0, \forall x, y \in L\}.
$$

**Theorem 4.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*, *B*) *be a metric 3-Hom–Lie algebra. Then, there exists a symplectic structure on L if and only if there exists a skew-symmetric invertible derivation*  $D \in Der_B(L)$ *.* 

**Proof.** Suppose that  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha, B)$  is a metric 3-Hom–Lie algebra, then for any  $x, y \in L$ , define  $D: L \to L$  by

$$
B(Dx, y) = \omega(\alpha(x), y). \tag{25}
$$

It is clear that *D* is invertible. Next we will check that *D* is a skew-symmetric invertible derivation of  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha, B)$ . In fact, for any  $x, y, z, w \in L$ , we have

$$
B([Dx, y, z], w) + B([x, Dy, z], w) + B([x, y, Dz], w) + B(D[x, y, z], w)
$$
  
=  $-B([y, z, w], Dx) + B([x, z, w], Dy) - B([x, y, w], Dz) + B([x, y, z], Dw)$   
=  $\omega([x, y, z], \alpha(w)) - \omega([y, z, w], \alpha(x)) + \omega([z, w, x], \alpha(y)) - \omega([w, x, y], \alpha(z)) = 0,$ 

that is,  $D \in Der_B(L)$ .

Conversely, assume that  $D \in Der_B(L)$  is a skew-symmetric invertible derivation. Define *ω* by Equation (25), then there exists a symplectic structure on *L* satisfies Equation (23).  $\Box$ 

**Example 9.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*) *be a 3-Hom–Lie algebra and*

$$
F[t] = \{f(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} a_i t^i | a_i \in F, m \in N\}
$$

*be the algebra of polynomials over F. We consider*

$$
L_n = L \otimes (tF[t]/t^nF[t]),
$$

where tF[t] / t ${}^n\mathrm{F}[t]$  is the quotient space of tF[t] module t ${}^n\mathrm{F}[t]$ . Then,  $L_n$  is a nilpotent 3-Hom–Lie *algebra, with a linear map α* 0 : *L<sup>n</sup>* → *L<sup>n</sup> and the following multiplication:*

$$
\alpha'(x\otimes t^{\overline{p}})=\alpha(x)\otimes t^{\overline{p}}, [x\otimes t^{\overline{p}},y\otimes t^{\overline{q}},z\otimes t^{\overline{r}}]'=[x,y,z]\otimes t^{\overline{p+q+r}},
$$

*for any*  $x, y, z \in L$  *and*  $p, q, r \in N \setminus \{0\}$ . *Define an endomorphism D of*  $L_n$  *by* 

$$
D(x \otimes t^{\overline{p}}) = p(x \otimes t^{\overline{p}}), \forall x \in L, p = 1, ..., n-1.
$$

*Then D is an invertible derivation of the 3-Hom–Lie algebra Ln.*

*Let*  $\widetilde{L}_n = L_n \oplus L_n^*$ , where  $L_n^*$  is the dual space of  $L_n$ . Then,  $(\widetilde{L}_n, B)$  *ia a metric 3-Hom–Lie algebra with the multiplication*

$$
[x + f, y + g, z + h] = [x, y, z] + ad^*(y, z)f - ad^*(x, z)g + ad^*(x, y)h,
$$
  

$$
B(x + f, y + g) = f(y) + g(x),
$$

*for any*  $x, y, z \in L_n$  *and*  $f, g, h \in L_n^*$ *. And define linear maps*  $\widehat{D}, \widetilde{\alpha} : \widetilde{L}_n \to \widetilde{L}_n$  *by* 

$$
\widehat{D}(x+f) = Dx + D^*f, \widetilde{\alpha}(x+f) = \alpha(x) + f \circ \alpha,
$$

*where*  $D^*f = -fD$ . Then,  $\widehat{D}$  *is invertible. Hence* ( $\widetilde{L}_n$ ,  $\widetilde{\alpha}$ ,  $B$ ,  $\omega$ ) *is a metric symplectic 3-Hom–Lie*<br>gloghra sylvax  $\alpha$  is defined as follows: *algebra, where ω is defined as follows:*

$$
\omega(\widetilde{\alpha}(x+f), y+g) = B(\widehat{D}(x+f), y+g) = -f(Dy) + g(Dx).
$$

**Proposition 10.** *Let* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*, *ω*) *be a symplectic 3-Hom–Lie algebra. Then, there exists a compatible 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra structure* {·, ·, ·} *on L given by*

$$
\omega(\lbrace x, y, z \rbrace, \alpha(w)) = -\omega(\alpha(z), [x, y, w]), \forall x, y, z, w \in L. \tag{26}
$$

**Proof.** For any  $x, y \in L$ , define the map  $T: L^* \to L$  by  $\langle T^{-1}x, y \rangle = \omega(x, y)$ . By Equation (23), we obtain that  $T$  is an invertible  $\mathcal{O}$ -operator associated to the coadjoint representation  $(L^*, ad^*, a^*)$ , and there exists a compatible 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra on *L* given by  $\{x, y, z\} =$  $T(ad^*_{x,y}T^{-1}z).$  For any  $x,y,z,w\in L$ , we have

$$
\omega(\lbrace x,y,z\rbrace,\alpha(w)) = \omega(T(ad_{x,y}^*T^{-1}z),\alpha(w)) = \langle ad_{x,y}^*T^{-1}z,\alpha(w)\rangle
$$
  

$$
= \langle T^{-1}(\alpha(z)),-[x,y,w]\rangle = -\omega(\alpha(z),[x,y,w]),
$$

as desired. The proof is finished.  $\square$ 

Let *V* be a vector space and *V*<sup>\*</sup> its dual space. Then, there is a natural nondegenerate skew-symmetric bilinear form  $\omega$  on  $T^*V = V \oplus V^*$  given by:

$$
\omega(x+f,y+g) = \langle f,y \rangle - \langle g,x \rangle, \forall x,y \in V, f,g \in V^*.
$$
 (27)

**Definition 15.** Let  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  and  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  be two admissible 3-Hom–Lie algebras. If *there is a 3-Hom–Lie algebra structure*  $[\cdot,\cdot,\cdot]$  *<i>on the direct sum vector space*  $T^*L = L \oplus L^*$  *such that* (*L* ⊕ *L* ∗ , [·, ·, ·], *α* ⊕ *α* ∗ , *ω*) *is a symplectic 3-Hom–Lie algebra, where ω given by Equation (27),*  $(L, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha)$  *and*  $(L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot]^*, \alpha^*)$  *are two 3-Hom–Lie subalgebras of*  $(L \oplus L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha \oplus \alpha^*)$ *. Then the symplectic 3-Hom–Lie algebra*  $(L \oplus L^*, [\cdot, \cdot, \cdot], \alpha \oplus \alpha^*, \omega)$  *is called a phase space of the 3-Hom–Lie algebra* (*L*, [·, ·, ·], *α*)*.*

Next, we will study the relation between 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebras and phase spaces of 3-Hom–Lie algebras.

**Theorem 5.** *A 3-Hom–Lie algebra has a phase space if and only if it is sub-adjacent to a 3-Hom– pre-Lie algebra.*

**Proof.**  $\Leftarrow$  Assume  $(L, \{ \cdot, \cdot, \cdot \}, \alpha)$  is a 3-Hom–pre-Lie algebra. By Proposition 5, the left multiplication  $\mathcal L$  is a representation of the sub-adjacent 3-Lie algebra  $L^C$  on  $L$ ,  $\mathcal L^*$  is a representation of the sub-adjacent 3-Lie algebra  $L^c$  on  $L^*$ , then we have a 3-Hom-Lie algebra  $(L^c \oplus L^*, [\cdot,\cdot,\cdot]_{L^*}, \alpha \oplus \alpha^*)$ . For any  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in L$  and  $f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 \in L^*$ , we have

$$
\omega([x_1 + f_1, x_2 + f_2, x_3 + f_3]_{L^*}, \alpha(x_4) + \alpha^*(f_4))
$$
\n
$$
= \omega([x_1, x_2, x_3]_C + \mathcal{L}^*(x_1, x_3) f_3 + \mathcal{L}^*(x_2, x_3) f_1 + \mathcal{L}^*(x_3, x_1) f_2, \alpha(x_4) + \alpha^*(f_4))
$$
\n
$$
= \langle \mathcal{L}^*(x_1, x_3) f_3 + \mathcal{L}^*(x_2, x_3) f_1 + \mathcal{L}^*(x_3, x_1) f_2, \alpha(x_4) \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_4), [x_1, x_2, x_3]_C \rangle
$$
\n
$$
= -\langle \alpha^*(f_3), \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_1), \{x_2, x_3, x_4\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_2), \{x_3, x_1, x_4\} \rangle
$$
\n
$$
- \langle \alpha^*(f_4), \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_4), \{x_2, x_3, x_1\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_4), \{x_3, x_1, x_2\} \rangle.
$$

Similarly, we have

$$
\omega([x_2 + f_2, x_3 + f_3, x_4 + f_4]_{L^*}, \alpha(x_1) + \alpha^*(f_1))
$$
\n
$$
= -\langle \alpha^*(f_4), \{x_2, x_3, x_1\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_2), \{x_3, x_4, x_1\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_3), \{x_4, x_2, x_1\} \rangle
$$
\n
$$
-\langle \alpha^*(f_1), \{x_2, x_3, x_4\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_1), \{x_3, x_4, x_2\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_1), \{x_4, x_2, x_3\} \rangle,
$$
\n
$$
\omega([x_3 + f_3, x_4 + f_4, x_1 + f_1, ]_{L^*}, \alpha(x_2) + \alpha^*(f_2))
$$

$$
= -\langle \alpha^*(f_1), \{x_3, x_4, x_2\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_3), \{x_4, x_1, x_2\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_4), \{x_1, x_3, x_2\} \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
- \langle \alpha^*(f_2), \{x_3, x_4, x_1\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_2), \{x_4, x_1, x_3\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_2), \{x_1, x_3, x_4\} \rangle,
$$
  
\n
$$
\omega([x_4 + f_4, x_1 + f_1, x_2 + f_3, ]_{L^*,} \alpha(x_3) + \alpha^*(f_3))
$$
  
\n
$$
= -\langle \alpha^*(f_2), \{x_4, x_1, x_3\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_4), \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_1), \{x_2, x_4, x_3\} \rangle
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- \langle \alpha^*(f_3), \{x_4, x_1, x_2\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_3), \{x_1, x_2, x_4\} \rangle - \langle \alpha^*(f_3), \{x_2, x_4, x_1\} \rangle.
$$

So  $\omega$  is a symplectic structure on the semidirect product 3-Hom–Lie algebra  $(L^c \oplus L^*$ , [·, ·, ·]*<sup>L</sup>* <sup>∗</sup> , *α* ⊕ *α* ∗ ). Thus the symplectic 3-Hom–Lie algebra (*L <sup>c</sup>* ⊕ *L* ∗ , [·, ·, ·]*<sup>L</sup>* <sup>∗</sup> , *α* ⊕ *α* ∗ , *ω*) is a phase space of the sub-adjacent 3-Hom–Lie algebra (*L c* , [·, ·, ·]*C*, *α*).

 $\Rightarrow$  Clearly.  $\Box$ 

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