

# PUSHOUTS OF EXTENSIONS OF GROUPOIDS BY BUNDLES OF ABELIAN GROUPS

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*We respectfully dedicate this paper to the memory of Vaughan Jones: Extraordinary mathematician, proud New Zealander, and gracious colleague.*

ABSTRACT. We analyse extensions  $\Sigma$  of groupoids  $\mathcal{G}$  by bundles  $\mathcal{A}$  of abelian groups. We describe a pushout construction for such extensions, and use it to describe the extension group of a given groupoid  $\mathcal{G}$  by a given bundle  $\mathcal{A}$ . There is a natural action of  $\Sigma$  on the dual of  $\mathcal{A}$ , yielding a corresponding transformation groupoid. The pushout of this transformation groupoid by the natural map from the fibre product of  $\mathcal{A}$  with its dual to the Cartesian product of the dual with the circle is a twist over the transformation groupoid resulting from the action of  $\mathcal{G}$  on the dual of  $\mathcal{A}$ . We prove that the full  $C^*$ -algebra of this twist is isomorphic to the full  $C^*$ -algebra of  $\Sigma$ , and that this isomorphism descends to an isomorphism of reduced algebras. We give a number of examples and applications.

## INTRODUCTION

There is a significant body of literature regarding the  $C^*$ -algebras of extensions of groupoids by group bundles. The main goal of this paper is to introduce a pushout construction for extensions of groupoids by abelian group bundles and explore its applications.

Specifically, we consider a locally compact Hausdorff groupoid  $\mathcal{G}$  together with an abelian group bundle  $p_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  where  $p_{\mathcal{A}}$  a continuous, open map. Then we

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consider unit space fixing extensions

$$(\dagger) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma & \xrightarrow{p} & \mathcal{G} \\ & \searrow & \Downarrow & \swarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{G}^{(0)} & & \end{array}$$

where  $\Sigma$  is a locally compact Hausdorff groupoid, both  $\iota$  and  $p$  are groupoid homomorphisms,  $p$  is a continuous, open surjection inducing a homeomorphism of  $\Sigma^{(0)}$  and  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ ,  $\iota$  is a homeomorphism of  $\mathcal{A}$  onto  $\ker p$ .

A fundamental class of such examples are  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoids (also called twists) introduced by the second author in [Kum83]. Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is the trivial bundle  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T}$  such that  $\iota(r(\sigma), z)\sigma = \sigma\iota(s(\sigma), z)$  for all  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  and  $z \in \mathbf{T}$ . These groupoids and their restricted groupoid  $C^*$ -algebras,  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$ , have enjoyed considerable scrutiny [MW92, MW95, Kum83, Kum86]. As usual, in this context we often write  $\dot{\sigma}$  in place of  $p(\sigma)$ .

More recently, we considered more general extensions in [IKSW19] and [IKR<sup>+</sup>21] as in  $(\dagger)$  where it is assumed that  $\mathcal{A}$  is endowed with an action of  $\mathcal{G}$  and that the extension is compatible in the sense that  $\sigma\iota(a)\sigma^{-1} = \iota(\dot{\sigma} \cdot a)$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  such that  $p_{\mathcal{A}}(a) = s(\sigma)$ .

As a consequence of the main result in [IKR<sup>+</sup>21], we showed that if  $\Sigma$  has a Haar system, then  $C^*(\Sigma)$  can be realized as the  $C^*$ -algebra of a twist. Specifically, the action of  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  induces a natural action of  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$  (regarded as a space). We constructed a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  of the form

$$(\dagger) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T} & \xrightarrow{i} & \tilde{\Sigma} & \xrightarrow{j} & \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathcal{G} \\ & \searrow & \Downarrow & \swarrow & \\ & & \hat{\mathcal{A}} & & \end{array}$$

We proved ([IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Theorem 3.4]) that  $C^*(\Sigma)$  is isomorphic to the restricted  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathcal{G}; \tilde{\Sigma})$  of this  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid. (In [IKR<sup>+</sup>21] the  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid is denoted  $\hat{\Sigma}$ , but here we use  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  to avoid possible confusion in our examples.) The  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is at the heart of the Mackey obstruction which appears in the classical ‘‘Mackey machine’’ of [Mac58].

The chief motivation for this article is the observation that the  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  above—which was based on the construction of [MRW96, Proposition 4.3]—is derived from a natural and functorial ‘‘pushout’’ construction based on the second author’s work in [Kum88] for étale groupoids (there called ‘‘sheaf groupoids’’). Specifically, suppose we are given an extension as in  $(\dagger)$ , and abelian group bundle  $\mathcal{B}$  admitting a  $\mathcal{G}$ -action, and a equivariant groupoid homomorphism  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ . Then there is a

similar sort of extension

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{B} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & f_*\Sigma & \xrightarrow{p} & \mathcal{G} \\
 & \searrow & \Downarrow & & \nearrow \\
 & & \mathcal{G}^{(0)} & & 
 \end{array}$$

inducing the given  $\mathcal{G}$ -action on  $\mathcal{B}$ . In Theorem 1.5, we show that the construction producing  $f_*\Sigma$  has good functorial properties that characterize the extension up to a suitable notion of isomorphism. Using these properties, we show in Theorem 2.5 that the collection  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$  of isomorphism classes of extensions of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $\mathcal{G}$  forms an abelian group (see also [Tu06, §5.3]).

We close by illustrating how the pushout construction clarifies and interacts with our work in [IKSW19] and [IKR<sup>+</sup>21]. In Theorem 3.2 we prove that the extension (‡) employed in [IKR<sup>+</sup>21] arises from our pushout construction. Specifically, the natural pairing  $(\chi, a) \mapsto \chi(a)$  from  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A}$  to  $\mathbf{T}$  yields a groupoid homomorphism  $f : \hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T}$  given by  $f(\chi, a) = (\chi, \chi(a))$  (see Section 3.1). There is a natural action of  $\Sigma$  on  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$  (compatible with that of  $\mathcal{G}$  as above) and we prove that  $\tilde{\Sigma} \cong f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)$ . This allows us to realise the  $C^*$ -algebra of an extension of a groupoid  $\mathcal{G}$  by an abelian group bundle  $\mathcal{A}$  as the  $C^*$ -algebra of a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid over the resulting transformation groupoid  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$ .

Several consequences flow from this observation. First suppose that  $A$  is an abelian group and that  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A$ , carrying the action of  $\mathcal{G}$  that is trivial in the second coordinate, so that  $\Sigma$  is a generalised twist. Each  $\chi \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}$  defines a homomorphism  $f^\chi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{T} \times \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ , so we can form the resulting pushout  $f_*^\chi(\Sigma)$ . We prove in Proposition 3.6 that  $C^*(\Sigma)$  is the section algebra of an upper-semicontinuous  $C^*$ -bundle over  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$  with fibres  $C^*(\mathcal{G}, f_*^\chi(\Sigma))$ . When  $A$  is compact, this yields a direct sum decomposition which remains valid for the corresponding reduced  $C^*$ -algebras (see Proposition 3.7). In Corollary 3.10 we extend [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Theorem 3.4] to the case that  $\Omega$  is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid extension of  $\Sigma$  such that its restriction to  $\iota(\mathcal{A})$  is abelian. When  $\mathcal{G}$  is étale, this enables us to generalize [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Theorem 4.6] to this case (see Corollary 3.11) thereby providing criteria that guarantee that the natural abelian subalgebra of  $C_r^*(\Sigma; \Omega)$  is Cartan (see also [DGN<sup>+</sup>20, Theorem 5.8] and [DGN20, Theorem 4.6]).

In Subsection 3.2, we consider the case where the extension  $\Sigma$  is determined by an  $\mathcal{A}$ -valued 2-cocycle defined on  $\mathcal{G}$  and show that the pushout construction is compatible with the natural change of coefficients map on cocycles. We describe the explicit construction of  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  in terms of 2-cocycles at the beginning of Subsection 3.3, and then consider various examples of this construction.



and letting  $p(a, \gamma) = \gamma$ . Since

$$(a', \gamma)(a, p_{\mathcal{A}}(a))(-\gamma^{-1} \cdot a', \gamma^{-1}) = (\gamma \cdot a, p_{\mathcal{A}}(\gamma \cdot a)),$$

$\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}$  is a compatible extension as required.

*Example 1.4.* For  $i = 1, 2$  let  $\mathcal{A}_i$  be a locally compact abelian group  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle. Note that  $\mathcal{A}_1 * \mathcal{A}_2 = \{(a, a') : p_{\mathcal{A}_1}(a) = p_{\mathcal{A}_2}(a')\}$  is also a locally compact abelian group  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle. Let  $\Sigma_i$  be a compatible groupoid extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{A}_i$ . Then as in [Kum88, §2], we may form the fibered product

$$\Sigma_1 *_G \Sigma_2 := \{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) \in \Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2 \mid p_1(\sigma_1) = p_2(\sigma_2)\}.$$

It is straightforward to check that  $\Sigma_1 *_G \Sigma_2$  is a compatible groupoid extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{A}_1 * \mathcal{A}_2$ .

Assume now that  $\mathcal{B}$  is another abelian group  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle, and that  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant map. Following [Kum88, Proposition 2.6], we prove that we can “pushout”  $\Sigma$  in a unique way to an extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{B}$ .

**Theorem 1.5** (Pushout Construction). *Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be locally compact abelian group  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundles. Let  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  be a continuous  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant map. Assume that  $\Sigma$  is a compatible extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then there is a compatible extension  $f_*\Sigma$  of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{B}$  and a homomorphism  $f_* : \Sigma \rightarrow f_*\Sigma$  such that the following diagram commutes*

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f_* \\ \mathcal{B} & \xrightarrow{\iota_*} & f_*\Sigma \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \nearrow p \\ \searrow p_* \end{array} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}.$$

Moreover,  $f_*$  and  $f_*\Sigma$  are unique up to proper isomorphism in the sense that if  $\Sigma'$  is a compatible extension such that the diagram

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f' \\ \mathcal{B} & \xrightarrow{\iota'} & \Sigma' \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \nearrow p \\ \searrow p' \end{array} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$$

commutes, then there is a proper isomorphism  $g : f_*\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$  such that  $g \circ f_* = f'$ .

*Proof.* Consider the fibred-product groupoid

$$\mathcal{D} := (\mathcal{B} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}) *_G \Sigma = \{((b, \gamma), \sigma) \in (\mathcal{B} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}) \times \Sigma : \dot{\sigma} = \gamma\}$$

of Example 1.4. Define  $\theta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  via  $\theta(a) = ((-f(a), p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)), \iota(a))$ . Since  $\iota$  is a homeomorphism onto its closed range,  $\theta(\mathcal{A})$  is a closed wide subgroupoid of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Let  $d = ((b, \gamma), \sigma) \in \mathcal{D}$ . We claim that  $d\theta(\mathcal{A}) = \theta(\mathcal{A})d$ . To see this, note that

$$\begin{aligned} d\theta(a) &= ((b, \gamma), \sigma)((-f(a), p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)), \iota(a)) \\ &= ((b - \gamma \cdot f(a), \gamma), \sigma\iota(a)) \\ &= ((-f(\gamma \cdot a) + p_{\mathcal{A}}(\gamma \cdot a) \cdot b, \gamma), \iota(\dot{\sigma} \cdot a)\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\dot{\sigma} = \gamma$ , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} d\theta(a) &= ((-f(\gamma \cdot a), p_{\mathcal{A}}(\gamma \cdot a)), \iota(\gamma \cdot a))(b, \gamma, \sigma) \\ &= \theta(\gamma \cdot a)d. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $f_*\Sigma := \mathcal{D}/\theta(\mathcal{A})$ . As usual, we denote the class of  $((b, \sigma), \gamma)$  in  $f_*\Sigma$  by  $[(b, \sigma), \gamma]$ . Then  $[(b, \gamma), \iota(a)\sigma] = [(b + f(a), \gamma), \sigma]$ . Since  $j(\mathcal{A})$  has a Haar system by Remark 1.2,  $f_*\Sigma$  is a locally compact Hausdorff groupoid by [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Lemma 2.2]. The operations are given by

$$\begin{aligned} [(b_1, \gamma_1), \sigma_1][[(b_2, \gamma_2), \sigma_2]] &= [(b_1 + \gamma_1 b_2, \gamma_1 \gamma_2), \sigma_1 \sigma_2] \quad \text{and} \\ [(b, \gamma), \sigma]^{-1} &= [(-\gamma^{-1} \cdot b, \gamma^{-1}), \sigma^{-1}]. \end{aligned}$$

We can identify the unit space with  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  and then

$$r([(b, \gamma), \sigma]) = r(\gamma) \quad \text{and} \quad s([(b, \gamma), \sigma]) = s(\gamma).$$

To see that  $f_*\Sigma$  is a compatible extension by  $\mathcal{B}$ , let

$$\iota_*(b) = [(b, p_{\mathcal{B}}(b)), p_{\mathcal{B}}(b)] \quad \text{and} \quad p_*([(b, \gamma), \sigma]) = \gamma.$$

It is not hard to verify that this satisfies the algebraic requirements for an extension. The most difficult one might be the inclusion  $p_*^{-1}(\mathcal{G}^{(0)}) \subseteq \iota_*(\mathcal{B})$  for which we provide an outline of the proof: take  $[(b, \gamma), \sigma] \in f_*\Sigma$  such that  $p_*([(b, \gamma), \sigma]) = u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . Then  $\gamma = u$ , giving  $\dot{\sigma} = u$ . Since  $\Sigma$  is an extension, there exists  $a \in \mathcal{A}(u)$  such that  $\iota(a) = \sigma$ . It follows that  $[(b, u), \iota(a)] = [(b + f(a), u), u] = \iota_*(b + f(a))$ . It is easy to check that  $b + f(a)$  is independent of the choice of the representative of  $[(b, \gamma), \sigma]$ .

Since  $\iota_*$  and  $p_*$  are clearly continuous and since  $\iota_*$  is easily seen to be a homeomorphism onto its range, we just need to see that  $p_*$  is open. For this, we apply Fell's Criterion (see [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Lemma 3.1]). Suppose that  $\gamma_n \rightarrow \gamma = p_*([(b, \sigma), \gamma])$ . Since  $p : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is open, we can pass to a subnet, relabel, and assume that there are  $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma$  in  $\Sigma$  such that  $\dot{\sigma}_n = \gamma_n$ . Since  $p_{\mathcal{B}}$  is open, we can pass to subnet, relabel, and assume there are  $b_n \rightarrow b$  in  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $p_{\mathcal{B}}(b_n) = r(\gamma_n)$ . Then  $[(b_n, \gamma_n), \sigma_n] \rightarrow [(b, \gamma), \sigma]$  as required.

The map  $f_*$  is the composition of the embedding of  $\Sigma$  into  $\mathcal{D}$  and the quotient map  $\mathcal{D} \mapsto \mathcal{D}/i(\mathcal{A})$ :  $f_*(\sigma) = [((0_{r(\sigma)}, p(\sigma)), \sigma)]$ . Since  $f$  is  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant,  $p_{\mathcal{B}}(f(a)) = p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)$  and

$$f_*(\iota(a)) = [(0, p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)), p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)] = [(f(a), p_{\mathcal{B}}(f(a))), p_{\mathcal{B}}(f(a))] = \iota_*(\iota(a)),$$

and (1.2) commutes as required.

Now let  $\Sigma'$  be an extension as in (1.3). Define  $\tilde{g} : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \Sigma'$  by  $\tilde{g}((b, \gamma), \sigma) = \iota'(b)f'(\sigma)$ . Since

$$\iota'(b_1)f'(\sigma_1)\iota'(b_2)f'(\sigma_2) = \iota'(b_1)\iota'(f'(\sigma_1) \cdot b_2)f'(\sigma_1)f'(\sigma_2)$$

and since  $p'(f'(\sigma_1)) = \dot{\sigma}_1$ , it follows that  $\tilde{g}$  is a groupoid homomorphism. On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{g}(\theta(a)) &= \tilde{g}((-f(a), p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)), \iota(a)) = \iota'(-f(a))f'(\iota(a)) = \iota'(-f(a))\iota'(f(a)) \\ &= \iota'(p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\tilde{g}$  factors through a homomorphism  $g : f_*\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$ . Clearly,  $g(\iota_*(b)) = \iota'(b)$  and  $p' \circ g = p_*$ , so  $g$  makes the diagram analogous to (1.1) commute. We have  $g \circ f_* = f'$  by construction.

To see that  $g$  is a proper isomorphism, we still need to see that  $g$  is an isomorphism with a continuous inverse.

For this, fix  $\alpha \in \Sigma'$ . There exists  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  such that  $p(\sigma) = p'(\alpha)$ . Using (1.3), there exists  $b \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $\alpha = \iota'(b)f'(\sigma)$ . So  $\tilde{g}$ , and hence also  $g$ , is onto.

Now suppose that  $\iota'(b)f'(\sigma)$  is a unit. Then  $f'(\sigma) = \iota'(-b)$ . Hence  $p'(f'(\sigma))$  is a unit, and  $\sigma = \iota(a)$  for some  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . But then  $\iota'(-b) = f'(\sigma) = f'(\iota(a)) = \iota'(f(a))$ . Hence,  $b = -f(a)$ . That is,

$$((b, p(\sigma)), \sigma) = ((-f(a), p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)), \iota(a)) \in \theta(\mathcal{A}).$$

Thus  $g$  is injective.

To see that  $g$  is an isomorphism of topological groupoids, it suffices to see that  $g$  is open. We use Fell's criterion. So suppose that  $g(\alpha_i) \rightarrow g(\alpha)$  where  $\alpha_i = [(b_i, p(\sigma_i)), \sigma_i]$  and  $\alpha = [(b, p(\sigma)), \sigma] \in f_*\Sigma$ . Since  $p' \circ g = p_*$ , we have  $p(\sigma_i) \rightarrow p(\sigma)$ . Since  $p$  is open, we can pass to a subnet, relabel, and assume there exist  $a_i \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\iota(a_i)\sigma_i \rightarrow \sigma$ . But

$$\alpha_i = [(-f(a_i) + b_i), p(\sigma_i), \iota(a_i)\sigma_i],$$

and then

$$\iota'(-f(a_i) + b_i)f'(\iota(a_i)\sigma_i) \rightarrow \iota'(b)f'(\sigma).$$

It follows that

$$\iota'(-f(a_i) + b_i) \rightarrow \iota'(b).$$

Since  $\iota'$  is a homeomorphism onto its range,  $\alpha_i \rightarrow \alpha$  as required.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.6.** *Let  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  be locally compact abelian group  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundles. Let  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  and  $g : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  be continuous  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant maps. Assume that  $\Sigma$  is a compatible extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then  $(g \circ f)_*\Sigma$  is properly isomorphic to  $g_*(f_*\Sigma)$ .*

*Proof.* This follows from the uniqueness of  $(g \circ f)_*\Sigma$  up to proper isomorphism guaranteed by Theorem 1.5.  $\square$

2. THE EXTENSION GROUP  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$ 

As in [Kum88, §2], we can use our pushout construction to introduce a binary operation on  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$ . Suppose that  $[\Sigma], [\Sigma'] \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$ . Define  $\nabla^{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  by  $\nabla^{\mathcal{A}}(a, a') = a + a'$ . Proper isomorphisms  $f : \Sigma \rightarrow \Gamma$  and  $f' : \Sigma' \rightarrow \Gamma'$  of compatible extensions of  $\mathcal{A}$  by  $\mathcal{G}$  determine a proper isomorphism  $f * f' : \Sigma * \Sigma' \rightarrow \Gamma * \Gamma'$  of extensions by  $\mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A}$ . The uniqueness assertion of Theorem 1.5 then yields a proper isomorphism  $\nabla_*^{\mathcal{A}}(\Sigma *_G \Sigma') \rightarrow \nabla_*^{\mathcal{A}}(\Gamma *_G \Gamma')$ . Hence the formula

$$(2.1) \quad [\Sigma] + [\Sigma'] := [\nabla_*^{\mathcal{A}}(\Sigma *_G \Sigma')]$$

is well defined.

*Example 2.1.* Let  $[\Sigma] \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$ . Let  $\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}$  be the semidirect product defined in Example 1.3. Define  $g : (\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}) *_G \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$  by  $g((a, \dot{\sigma}), \sigma) = \iota(a)\sigma$ . We obtain a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota * \iota} & (\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}) *_G \Sigma \\ \nabla^{\mathcal{A}} \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \tilde{p} \\ \searrow p \end{array} \mathcal{G}.$$

The uniqueness assertion in Theorem 1.5 implies that  $\nabla_*^{\mathcal{A}}((\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}) *_G \Sigma)$  is properly isomorphic to  $\Sigma$ . In other words,  $[\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}] + [\Sigma] = [\Sigma]$ .

*Example 2.2.* Let  $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\iota} \Sigma \xrightarrow{p} \mathcal{G}$  be a compatible extension. Then we obtain another compatible extension  $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\iota'} \Sigma \xrightarrow{p} \mathcal{G}$  by letting  $\iota'(a) = \iota(-a) = \iota(a)^{-1}$ . We will write  $\Sigma^{-1}$  for  $\Sigma$  viewed as this alternate extension. Define  $\theta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  by  $\theta(a) = -a$ . Then  $\theta$  is  $\mathcal{G}$ -invariant. Since the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma \\ \downarrow \theta & & \downarrow \text{id} \\ \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota'} & \Sigma^{-1} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow p \\ \searrow p \end{array} \mathcal{G}$$

commutes, we can identify  $[\theta_* \Sigma]$  with  $[\Sigma^{-1}]$  by Theorem 1.5.

*Example 2.3.* Take  $[\Sigma] \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$  and let  $\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}$  be the semidirect product. The map  $g : \Sigma * \Sigma^{-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}$  given by  $g(\sigma, \tau) = (\iota^{-1}(\sigma\tau^{-1}), \dot{\sigma})$  is a homomorphism. Since the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota * \iota'} & \Sigma *_G \Sigma^{-1} \\ \nabla^{\mathcal{A}} \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \tilde{p} \\ \searrow p \end{array} \mathcal{G}$$

commutes, we see that  $[\Sigma] + [\Sigma^{-1}] = [\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}]$  for all  $\Sigma \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$ .

*Example 2.4.* Take  $[\Sigma], [\Sigma'] \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$ . Let  $\tilde{f} : \Sigma *_{\mathcal{G}} \Sigma' \rightarrow \Sigma' *_{\mathcal{G}} \Sigma$  be the flip. Similarly, let  $f : \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A}$  be given by  $f(a, a') = (a', a)$ . The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota * \iota'} & \Sigma *_{\mathcal{G}} \Sigma' & & \\
 f \downarrow & & \tilde{f} \downarrow & \searrow \tilde{p} & \\
 \mathcal{A} * \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota' * \iota} & \Sigma' *_{\mathcal{G}} \Sigma & \xrightarrow{\tilde{p}} & \mathcal{G} \\
 \nabla^{\mathcal{A}} \downarrow & & \nabla_*^{\mathcal{A}} \downarrow & \nearrow p & \\
 \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{i} & \nabla_*(\Sigma' *_{\mathcal{G}} \Sigma) & & 
 \end{array}$$

commutes. Since  $\nabla^{\mathcal{A}} \circ f = \nabla^{\mathcal{A}}$ , it follows from Theorem 1.5 that  $[\Sigma] + [\Sigma'] = [\Sigma'] + [\Sigma]$ .

In Examples 2.1–2.4, we have proved much of the following theorem, which is patterned on [Kum88, Theorem 2.7].

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a locally compact groupoid with open range and source maps, and let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a locally compact abelian group  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle. Then the binary operation  $([\Sigma_1], [\Sigma_2]) \mapsto [\nabla_*^{\mathcal{A}}(\Sigma_1 *_{\mathcal{G}} \Sigma_2)]$  of (2.1) makes  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$  into an abelian group with neutral element given by the class  $[\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}]$  of the semidirect product of Example 1.3, and  $[\Sigma]^{-1} = [\Sigma^{-1}]$  as in Example 2.2. For each continuous  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant map  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  of  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundles, define  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(f) : T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{B})$  to be the induced map:  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(f)[\Sigma] = [f_*\Sigma]$ . Then  $T_{\mathcal{G}}$  is a functor from the category of  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundles to the category of abelian groups.*

*Proof.* By considering diagrams similar to that in Example 2.4, we see that the operation in (2.1) is well-defined and associative. We saw that  $[\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}]$  acts as an identity in Example 2.1 and the statement about inverses follows from Example 2.3. The computation in Example 2.4 shows that  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{A})$  is an abelian group.

By Corollary 1.6 we have  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(f \circ g) = T_{\mathcal{G}}(f) \circ T_{\mathcal{G}}(g)$  if  $f$  and  $g$  are a composable pair of continuous  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant maps of  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundles. The proof that  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(f)$  is a group homomorphism follows as in the proof of [Kum88, Theorem 2.7].  $\square$

### 3. APPLICATIONS AND EXAMPLES

In this section we consider a unit space fixing extension  $\Sigma$  of  $\mathcal{G}$  by the group bundle  $\mathcal{A}$  as illustrated in the diagram (†) from the introduction. We review the basic details. We assume that all groupoids considered in this section are second-countable locally compact Hausdorff groupoids with Haar systems. The Haar system on  $\Sigma$  is denoted  $\lambda = \{\lambda^u\}_{u \in \Sigma^{(0)}}$  and we further assume that  $p_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \Sigma^{(0)}$  is a bundle of abelian groups that is a closed subgroupoid of  $\Sigma$ . It is equipped with a Haar system denoted  $\beta = \{\beta^u\}_{u \in \Sigma^{(0)}}$  and the fibers are denoted  $\mathcal{A}(u)$  for  $u \in \Sigma^{(0)}$ . The existence of a Haar system on  $\mathcal{A}$  implies that  $p_{\mathcal{A}}$  is open. It follows by [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Lemma 2.6(c)] that

there is a Haar system  $\alpha = \{\alpha_u\}_{u \in \Sigma^{(0)}}$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  such that for all  $f \in C_c(\Sigma)$  and  $u \in \Sigma^{(0)}$  we have

$$(3.1) \quad \int_{\Sigma} f(\sigma) d\lambda^u(\sigma) = \int_{\mathcal{G}} \int_{\mathcal{A}} f(\sigma a) d\beta^{s(\sigma)}(a) d\alpha^u(\dot{\sigma}).$$

Moreover, there is a natural action of  $\Sigma$ , and therefore  $\mathcal{G}$ , on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Note that  $p : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is a continuous, open surjection inducing a homeomorphism from  $\Sigma^{(0)}$  onto  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ , and  $\iota : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \Sigma$  is a homeomorphism onto  $\ker p$ . (Both  $p$  and  $\iota$  are assumed to be groupoid morphisms).

Recall that if  $\Sigma$  is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid over  $\mathcal{G}$  then

$$C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma) := \{f \in C_c(\Sigma) : f(t\sigma) = tf(\sigma) \text{ for all } t \in \mathbf{T}, \sigma \in \Sigma\}$$

is a  $*$ -algebra under the operations described in [MW92, §2], and  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  is its closure in the norm obtained by taking the supremum of the operator norm under all  $*$ -representations.

We may also view  $C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  as compactly supported continuous sections of the one-dimensional Fell line bundle over  $\mathcal{G}$  associated to  $\Sigma$ . One can then construct the associated (right) Hilbert  $C_0(\mathcal{G}^{(0)})$ -module (see [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, §1.3]) as the completion of  $C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  in the norm arising from the  $C_0(\mathcal{G}^{(0)})$ -valued pre-inner product given by  $\langle f, g \rangle := (f^* * g)|_{\mathcal{G}^{(0)}}$  for all  $f, g \in C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$ . We denote the Hilbert module by  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  and observe that left multiplication induces a natural  $*$ -homomorphism  $\lambda : C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma))$ . We may define the reduced norm of an element  $f \in C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  to be the operator norm of its image:  $\|f\|_r := \|\lambda(f)\|$ . Then  $C_r^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  is the closure of  $C_c(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  in the reduced norm.

**Lemma 3.1.** *With notation as above, let  $F \subset \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  be a  $\mathcal{G}$ -invariant clopen subset. Then  $F$  is also  $\Sigma$ -invariant and the reduction  $\Sigma|_F$  is a twist over the reduction  $\mathcal{G}|_F$ . Moreover, the characteristic function of  $F$  determines a central multiplier projection  $p_F$  such that*

$$p_F C_r^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma) \cong C_r^*(\mathcal{G}|_F; \Sigma|_F).$$

*Proof.* Observe that  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  decomposes as the direct sum of a Hilbert  $C_0(F)$ -module and a Hilbert  $C_0(F^c)$ -module in the following way

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma) \cong \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}|_F; \Sigma|_F) \oplus \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}|_{F^c}; \Sigma|_{F^c}).$$

Note that multiplication by the characteristic function of  $F$ , which we denote by  $p_F$  is the projection onto the first component, that  $p_F$  is in the center of the multiplier algebra of  $C_r^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$ , and  $C_c(\mathcal{G}|_F; \Sigma|_F)$  acts trivially on the second component. Hence the operator norm of  $C_c(\mathcal{G}|_F; \Sigma|_F)$  acting on  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}|_F; \Sigma|_F)$  coincides with that of its action on  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$ .  $\square$

**3.1. The  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid of an extension.** As noted in the introduction, we want to see that the  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid constructed in [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, §3.1] is an example of the pushout construction of Theorem 1.5. The  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(\mathcal{A})$  is abelian and the Gelfand dual of  $C^*(\mathcal{A})$  is an abelian group bundle  $\hat{p} : \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)} = \Sigma^{(0)}$  with fibres  $\hat{p}^{-1}(\{u\}) \cong \mathcal{A}(u)^\wedge$  (see [MRW96, Corollary 3.4]). Furthermore, since abelian groups are amenable, it follows from [Wil19, Corollary 5.39] and [Wil07, Proposition C.10] that  $\hat{p}$  is open. Therefore we can view  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$  as a right  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle for the natural right action of  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ .

Since  $\mathcal{G}$  and  $\Sigma$  both act on  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ , regarded as a topological space fibered over  $\Sigma^{(0)}$ , we can form the transformation groupoids  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma$ . Moreover,  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} = \{(\chi, a) : \hat{p}(\chi) = p_{\mathcal{A}}(a)\}$  is a  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$ -bundle (as well as an  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma$ -bundle). Defining  $\iota_* : \hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma$  by  $\iota_*(\chi, a) = (\chi, a)$  and  $p_* : \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  by  $p_*(\chi, \sigma) = (\chi, \hat{\sigma})$ , we obtain an extension

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} & \xleftarrow{\iota_*} & \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma & \xrightarrow{p_*} & \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G} \\ & \searrow & \Downarrow & \swarrow & \\ & & \hat{\mathcal{A}} & & \end{array}$$

We defined a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  associated to this extension in [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Proposition 3.2] as follows. Define

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\chi, z, \sigma) \in \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T} \times \Sigma : \hat{p}(\chi) = r(\sigma)\}$$

and let  $H$  be the subgroupoid of  $\mathcal{D}$  consisting of triples of the form  $(\chi, \overline{\chi(a)}, a)$  for  $a \in \mathcal{A}(\hat{p}(\chi))$ . Then  $H$  is a normal subgroupoid of  $\mathcal{D}$  and we can form the locally compact Hausdorff groupoid  $\tilde{\Sigma} := \mathcal{D}/H$  (we use the notation  $\tilde{\Sigma}$ , rather than the notation  $\hat{\Sigma}$  of [IKR<sup>+</sup>21], to avoid clashing with classical notational conventions when  $\Sigma$  is a group, for example in Remark 3.3).

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\Sigma$  be the extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by the group bundle  $\mathcal{A}$  as in the diagram (†) and adopt the notation established above. Let  $f : \hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T}$  be the canonical map given by*

$$(3.2) \quad f(\chi, a) = (\chi, \chi(a)).$$

*Then  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is properly isomorphic to the pushout  $f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)$ . Moreover,*

$$C^*(\Sigma) \cong C^*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)) \quad \text{and} \quad C_r^*(\Sigma) \cong C_r^*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)).$$

*Proof.* Theorem 1.5 implies that there is a unique (up to proper isomorphism) extension  $f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)$  of  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  by  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T}$  and a twist morphism that is compatible with  $f$ . In particular,  $f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)$  is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid. We get a natural map  $g : \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma$  to  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  given

by  $g(\chi, \sigma) = [\chi, 1, \sigma]$ , and the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\iota_*} & \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma & & \\
 \downarrow f & & \downarrow g & \searrow p_* & \\
 \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T} & \xrightarrow{i} & \tilde{\Sigma} & \xrightarrow{j} & \hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}
 \end{array}$$

commutes. The proper isomorphism of  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  with  $f_*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma)$  follows from the uniqueness guaranteed by Theorem 1.5 and the final assertion follows from [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Theorem 3.3].  $\square$

It follows immediately that if  $\Sigma$  is properly isomorphic to the semidirect product  $\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G}$ , then  $[\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma] = [\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes (\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{G})] = [\mathcal{A} \triangleleft (\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G})]$  and hence  $[\tilde{\Sigma}]$  is trivial. Thus  $C^*(\Sigma) \cong C^*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G})$ .

*Remark 3.3.* As mentioned in the introduction, the twist  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  appearing in Theorem 3.2 is responsible for the Mackey obstruction of the classical normal subgroup analysis of [Mac58]. Indeed, let us apply the theorem when  $\Sigma$  is a locally compact group and  $\mathcal{A}$  is a closed normal abelian subgroup. Then  $\Sigma$  and  $\mathcal{G} = \Sigma/\mathcal{A}$  act on  $\mathcal{A}$  by conjugation and give right actions on the space of characters  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ . The corresponding twist  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is the quotient of the groupoid  $(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma) \times \mathbf{T}$  where  $(\chi, a\sigma, \theta)$  is identified with  $(\chi, \sigma, \theta\chi(a))$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . We let  $[\chi, \sigma, \theta]$  be the class of  $(\chi, \sigma, \theta)$  in  $\tilde{\Sigma}$ . If  $\chi \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}$ , then let  $\Sigma(\chi)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(\chi)$  be the stabilizers at  $\chi$  for the actions on  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ , and let  $\tilde{\Sigma}(\chi)$  be the isotropy group of  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  at  $\chi$ . We observe that  $\tilde{\Sigma}(\chi)$ , up to an obvious identification, is the pushout of the group extension

$$\mathcal{A} \longrightarrow \Sigma(\chi) \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}(\chi)$$

by the homomorphism  $\chi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{T}$ . Indeed, this pushout  $\chi_*(\Sigma(\chi))$  is the quotient of  $\Sigma(\chi) \times \mathbf{T}$  by the equivalence relation identifying  $(a\sigma, \theta)$  with  $(\sigma, \theta\chi(a))$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . Thus we just identify  $[\chi, \sigma, \theta] \in \tilde{\Sigma}(\chi)$  with  $[\sigma, \theta] \in \chi_*(\Sigma(\chi))$ . The class of  $\tilde{\Sigma}(\chi)$  in  $H^2(\mathcal{G}(\chi), \mathbf{T})$  is the classical Mackey obstruction. More precisely, let  $L$  be an irreducible unitary representation of  $\Sigma$ . According to Theorem 3.2, we may view it as a representation of the twisted groupoid  $(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}, \tilde{\Sigma})$ . Its restriction to  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$  defines a measure class which is invariant and ergodic under the action of  $\mathcal{G}$ . If this measure class is transitive, which will be always the case if  $\mathcal{A}$  is regularly embedded, then we have a representation of a twisted transitive measured groupoid  $(O \rtimes \mathcal{G}, \tilde{\Sigma}|_O)$ , where  $O \subset \hat{\mathcal{A}}$  is an orbit of the action and  $\tilde{\Sigma}|_O$  is the reduction of  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  to  $O$ . We pick  $\chi \in O$ . Since the  $(\tilde{\Sigma}(\chi), \tilde{\Sigma}|_O)$ -groupoid equivalence  $\tilde{\Sigma}_O^\chi$  is compatible with the twists in the sense of [Ren87, Définition 5.3], it implements a bijective correspondence between the unitary representations of  $(O \rtimes \mathcal{G}, \tilde{\Sigma}|_O)$  and those of  $(\mathcal{G}(\chi), \tilde{\Sigma}(\chi))$ . Therefore  $L$  is given by an irreducible unitary representation of the twisted group  $(\mathcal{G}(\chi), \tilde{\Sigma}(\chi))$ .

*Example 3.4.* Let  $H$  be a locally compact abelian group and let  $A \subset H$  be a closed subgroup. Then applying the above theorem with  $\Sigma = H$  and  $\mathcal{A} = A$ , we conclude that  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is a bundle of abelian groups over  $\tilde{\Sigma}^{(0)} \cong \hat{A}$  where each fiber is an extension of  $H/A$  by  $\mathbf{T}$ . Each of these extensions is abelian because  $H$  is abelian (and the action of  $H$  on  $\hat{A}$  is trivial). Hence, each extension is determined by a symmetric  $\mathbf{T}$ -valued Borel 2-cocycle and any such 2-cocycle is necessarily trivial by [Kle65, Lemma 7.2]. But the twist is not trivial in general: for example, if  $H = \mathbf{R}$  and  $A = \mathbf{Z} \leq \mathbf{R}$ , then triviality of the twist would imply  $C^*(\mathbf{R}) \cong C_0(\mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z})$ , which is nonsense.

*Example 3.5 (Generalized Twists).* We now consider the case where  $A$  is a locally compact abelian group,  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A$ , and  $\mathcal{G}$  acts on  $\mathcal{A}$  by translation on the first factor. Since this simply gives us a twist when  $A = \mathbf{T}$ , we will say that  $\Sigma$  is a *generalized twist* in this case. Note that even for twists,  $\Sigma$  need not be a trivial extension. Generalized twists were studied in [IKSW19].

View  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} := \hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  as a locally compact space. (We put the factor of  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  on the right, as a reminder that we are thinking of  $\hat{A}$  as a space rather than as a group, and to line up with the natural identification of  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A}$  with  $\hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A$ , which we make without further comment). Then  $\mathcal{G}$  acts on the second factor of  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$ . This means we can replace  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma$  with the products  $\hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}$  and  $\hat{A} \times \Sigma$ , respectively. Under these identifications, Equation (3.2) becomes  $f(\chi, u, a) = (\chi, u, \chi(a))$ . Moreover we may assume that the Haar system  $\beta$  on  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A$  is constant in the sense that there is a fixed Haar measure  $\mu$  on  $A$  such  $\beta^u = \mu$  for all  $u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ .

If  $\chi \in \hat{A}$ , then we get a  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant map  $f^\chi : \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T}$  given by  $f^\chi(u, a) = (u, \chi(a))$ . Thus we can form the pushout  $f_*^\chi(\Sigma)$  so that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A & \xrightarrow{\iota} & \Sigma \\
 \downarrow f^\chi & & \downarrow f_*^\chi \\
 \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T} & \xrightarrow{\iota'} & f_*^\chi(\Sigma)
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 \nearrow p \\
 \searrow p' \\
 \mathcal{G}
 \end{array}$$

commutes. Then  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; f_*^\chi(\Sigma))$  is the completion of  $C_c^\chi(\Sigma)$  consisting of functions  $g \in C_c(\Sigma)$  such that  $g(\iota(r(\sigma), a)\sigma) = \chi(a)g(\sigma)$  with the  $*$ -algebra structure discussed at the beginning of this section.

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $\Sigma$  be a generalized twist as in Example 3.5. For  $\chi \in \hat{A}$ , let  $f^\chi : \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T}$  and  $f_*^\chi(\Sigma)$  be the  $\mathcal{G}$ -equivariant map and  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid defined above. Then with notation as above,*

$$(3.3) \quad C^*(\Sigma) \cong C^*(\hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{A} \times \Sigma))$$

and  $C^*(\Sigma)$  is the section algebra of an upper-semicontinuous  $C^*$ -bundle over  $\hat{A}$  with fiber at  $\chi \in \hat{A}$  isomorphic to  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; f_*^\chi(\Sigma))$ .

*Proof.* The isomorphism in (3.3) comes from Theorem 3.2.

The map  $p : \hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  is continuous and satisfies  $p \circ s = p \circ r$  so that  $f_*(\hat{A} \times \Sigma)$  is a groupoid bundle over  $\hat{A}$  as in Appendix A. Hence we can invoke Proposition A.1 to see that  $C^*(\hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{A} \times \Sigma))$  is isomorphic to the section algebra of an upper-semicontinuous  $C^*$ -bundle over  $\hat{A}$ . Since we can identify  $f_*(\hat{A} \times \Sigma)(\chi)$  with  $f_*^x(\Sigma)$  and  $(\hat{A} \times \mathcal{G})(\chi)$  with  $\mathcal{G}$ , the result follows.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.7.** *With notation as in Example 3.5, suppose that  $A$  compact. Then the dual  $\hat{A}$  is discrete and*

$$C^*(\Sigma) \cong \bigoplus_{\chi \in \hat{A}} C^*(\mathcal{G}; f_*^x(\Sigma)) \quad \text{and} \quad C_r^*(\Sigma) \cong \bigoplus_{\chi \in \hat{A}} C_r^*(\mathcal{G}; f_*^x(\Sigma)).$$

*Proof.* To prove the first isomorphism, note that by Proposition A.1

$$C^*(\Sigma) \cong C^*(\hat{A} \times \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{A} \times \Sigma))$$

is a  $C_0(\hat{A})$ -algebra. That is, letting  $ZM(C^*(\Sigma))$  denote the center of  $M(C^*(\Sigma))$ , there is a  $\sigma$ -unital  $*$ -homomorphism  $\rho : C_0(\hat{A}) \rightarrow ZM(C^*(\Sigma))$ . Since  $\hat{A}$  is discrete, the images of the characteristic functions of singleton sets under  $\rho$  give rise to a family  $\{q_\chi\}_{\chi \in \hat{A}}$  of mutually orthogonal central projections in  $M(C^*(\Sigma))$  which sum to unity in the strict topology. Moreover, the summands coincide with the fibers of the upper-semicontinuous  $C^*$ -bundle over  $\hat{A}$  given in Proposition 3.6 and hence

$$q_\chi C^*(\Sigma) q_\chi = q_\chi C^*(\Sigma) \cong C^*(\mathcal{G}; f_*^x(\Sigma)).$$

for all  $\chi \in \hat{A}$ .

For the second isomorphism, let  $\pi : C^*(\Sigma) \rightarrow C_r^*(\Sigma)$  be the canonical quotient map. An argument like that of the preceding paragraph using the family  $\{\pi(q_\chi)\}_{\chi \in \hat{A}}$  of mutually orthogonal central projections in  $M(C_r^*(\Sigma))$  gives  $C_r^*(\Sigma) \cong \bigoplus_{\chi \in \hat{A}} \pi(q_\chi) C_r^*(\Sigma)$ . Lemma 3.1 gives  $\pi(q_\chi) C_r^*(\Sigma) \cong C_r^*(\mathcal{G}; f_*^x(\Sigma))$ , and the result follows.  $\square$

*Remark 3.8.* If  $A = \mathbf{T}$  and  $\Sigma$  is a twist, then  $\hat{A} = \mathbf{Z}$ , and we have  $[f_*^n(\Sigma)] = n[\Sigma]$  for  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ . It follows that the central summand corresponding to  $n = 1$  is isomorphic to  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  and thus there is central projection  $q = q_1 \in M(C^*(\Sigma))$  such that

$$C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma) \cong q C^*(\Sigma) \quad \text{and} \quad C_r^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma) \cong q C_r^*(\Sigma)$$

Now suppose that  $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  so that  $\Sigma = \mathcal{A}$  is itself an abelian group bundle regarded as a groupoid with unit space  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  and let  $\Lambda$  be a  $\mathbf{T}$ -twist over  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then since  $\mathcal{A}$  is amenable  $C^*(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda) = C_r^*(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda)$  (see, for example [SW13, Thm 1]). We shall say that such a twist is *abelian* if  $\Lambda$  is also an abelian group bundle—that is if  $\Lambda(u)$  is abelian for each  $u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . Then  $\Lambda$  is abelian if and only if  $C^*(\Lambda)$  is abelian and in that case  $C^*(\Lambda) \cong C_0(\hat{\Lambda})$ . Arguing as in Example 3.4, we see that such extensions must be pointwise trivial but need not be globally trivial. If  $\Lambda$  is determined by a continuous  $\mathbf{T}$ -valued 2-cocycle  $c$ , then  $\Lambda$  is abelian if and only if  $c$  is

symmetric (cf., [DGN<sup>+</sup>20, Lemma 3.5]). Suppose now that  $\Lambda$  is abelian. For  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ , let  $V_n := \{\chi \in \hat{\Lambda} : \chi(z, u) = z^n \text{ for all } z \in \mathbf{T} \text{ and } u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}\}$ . Then  $C^*(\Lambda) \cong C_0(\hat{\Lambda})$  decomposes as a direct sum with summands of the form  $C_0(V_n)$ . Note that each  $V_n$  is clopen. The projection  $q$  in Remark 3.8 may then be identified with the characteristic function of  $U_\Lambda := V_1$  and hence

$$C^*(\mathcal{A}; \Lambda) \cong qC^*(\Lambda) \cong C_0(U_\Lambda).$$

See [DGN20, Section 3] for a related construction.

In the case that  $\Lambda \cong \mathbf{T} \times \mathcal{A}$  and thus  $\hat{\Lambda} \cong \mathbf{Z} \times \hat{\mathcal{A}}$ , we have  $U_\Lambda \cong \{1\} \times \hat{\mathcal{A}} \cong \hat{\mathcal{A}}$ .

We return now to the more general situation where  $\Sigma$  is a unit space fixing extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by the group bundle  $\mathcal{A}$  as in the diagram (†) from the introduction. Suppose that, in addition,  $\Omega$  is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid extension of  $\Sigma$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{i}} & \Omega & \xrightarrow{\tilde{p}} & \Sigma \\ & \searrow & \Downarrow & \swarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{G}^{(0)} & & \end{array}$$

such that  $\Lambda_\Omega := \tilde{p}^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$ , its restriction to  $\mathcal{A}$ , is an abelian group bundle over  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . We may thus regard  $\Omega$  as an extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\Lambda_\Omega$ . We assume that  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\Sigma$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are endowed with Haar systems that satisfy (3.1), the Haar system in  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T}$  is given by the Haar measure on  $\mathbf{T}$ , and the Haar system on  $\Omega$  is the one naturally defined by the Haar systems on  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T}$  and  $\Sigma$ . To declutter notation a little, we write  $\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega$  for the dual bundle  $(\Lambda_\Omega)^\wedge$ .

**Corollary 3.9.** *With notation as above let  $f : \hat{\Lambda}_\Omega * \Lambda_\Omega \rightarrow \hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \times \mathbf{T}$  be given by  $f(\chi, a) = (\chi, \chi(a))$ . Then*

$$C^*(\Omega) \cong C^*(\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)) \quad \text{and}$$

$$C_r^*(\Omega) \cong C_r^*(\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)).$$

*Proof.* This follows immediately from Remark 3.8, the above discussion, and Theorem 3.2 with  $\Lambda_\Omega$  in place of  $\mathcal{A}$ .  $\square$

By arguing as in Remark 3.8 and Corollary 3.9 we may conclude that  $C^*(\Sigma; \Omega)$  is isomorphic to the corner associated to the central projection  $q_\Omega$  in

$$M(C^*(\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; f_*(\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)))$$

corresponding to the characteristic function of

$$U_\Omega := U_{\Lambda_\Omega} \subset \hat{\Lambda}_\Omega = (\hat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G})^{(0)}.$$

Observe that  $U_\Omega$  is an invariant clopen set under the action of both  $\mathcal{G}$  and  $\Omega$  and thus both groupoids act on  $U_\Omega$ .

**Corollary 3.10.** *With notation as above define  $g : U_\Omega * \Lambda_\Omega \rightarrow U_\Omega \times \mathbf{T}$  by  $g(\chi, a) = (\chi, \chi(a))$ . Then*

$$C^*(\Sigma; \Omega) \cong C^*(U_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; g_*(U_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)) \quad \text{and} \quad C_r^*(\Sigma; \Omega) \cong C_r^*(U_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; g_*(U_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)).$$

*Proof.* Observe that

$$(\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G})_{U_\Omega} \cong U_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G} \quad \text{and} \quad (\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)_{U_\Omega} \cong U_\Omega \rtimes \Omega.$$

For  $(\chi, a) \in U_\Omega * \Lambda_\Omega \subset \widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega * \Lambda_\Omega$ ,

$$f(\chi, a) = (\chi, \chi(a)) = g(\chi, a) \in U_\Omega \times \mathbf{T}$$

Therefore,

$$(f_*(\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega))_{U_\Omega} \cong g_*(U_\Omega \rtimes \Omega).$$

Hence, by Remark 3.8 and Corollary 3.9

$$\begin{aligned} C^*(\Sigma; \Omega) &\cong q_\Omega C^*(\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; f_*(\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)) q_\Omega \\ &\cong C^*((\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G})_{U_\Omega}; (f_*(\widehat{\Lambda}_\Omega \rtimes \Omega))_{U_\Omega}) \\ &\cong C^*(U_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}; g_*(U_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)). \end{aligned}$$

The case for the reduced  $C^*$ -algebras follows by a similar argument.  $\square$

Recall that an étale groupoid  $\mathcal{G}$  is said to be *effective* if the interior of the isotropy groupoid is  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  and *topologically principal* if the set of points with trivial isotropy is dense in  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . These notions are equivalent if the étale groupoid  $\mathcal{G}$  is second countable (see [BCFS14, Lemma 3.1]). The above corollary allows us to generalize [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Theorem 4.6] (see also [DGN<sup>+</sup>20, Theorem 5.8] and [DGN20, Theorem 4.6]).

**Corollary 3.11.** *With notation as above, suppose that  $\mathcal{G}$  is étale and that the action groupoid  $U_\Omega \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  is second countable and effective. Then the image of  $C_r^*(\mathcal{A}, \Lambda_\Omega)$  under the natural embedding into  $C_r^*(\Sigma; \Omega)$  is a Cartan subalgebra with Weyl twist  $g_*(U_\Omega \rtimes \Omega)$ .*

*Proof.* This follows from Corollary 3.10 and [Ren08, Theorem 5.2].  $\square$

*Example 3.12.* Let  $H$  be a discrete abelian group and let  $E$  be a  $\mathbf{T}$ -twist over  $H$ —that is, a central extension by  $\mathbf{T}$ . Since  $H$  is discrete, there is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -valued skew-symmetric bicharacter  $\varpi$  on  $H$  and a set of generating unitaries  $\{u_h \mid h \in H\}$  in  $C^*(H; E)$  such that for all  $g, h \in H$

$$u_g u_h = \varpi(g, h) u_h u_g.$$

By [Kle65, Lemma 7.2] the extension  $E$  is trivial if and only if  $\varpi(g, h) = 1$  for all  $g, h \in H$ . Let  $A$  be a subgroup of  $H$  which is maximal amongst subgroups on which  $\varpi(\cdot, \cdot)$  is identically 1. It is shown in [Kum86, Example 1.12] that the  $C^*$ -subalgebra  $B$  generated by  $\{u_a \mid a \in A\}$  is a diagonal subalgebra of  $C^*(H; E)$ . We now show that this also follows from Corollary 3.11 with  $\Sigma := H$ ,  $\mathcal{A} := A$ ,  $\mathcal{G} = H/A$  and  $\Omega := E$ .

Since the restriction of  $\varpi$  to  $A$  is trivial the extension  $E$  is trivial on  $A$  and thus  $\Lambda$  is trivial as a  $\mathbf{T}$ -twist. Hence,  $B \cong C^*(A)$  and  $U_\Lambda \cong \hat{A}$ . There is a continuous homomorphism  $\varpi_A : H \rightarrow \hat{A}$  such that for all  $h \in H$ ,  $a \in A$

$$(\varpi_A(h))(a) = \varpi(h, a).$$

Moreover,  $A = \ker \varpi$  and thus  $\varpi$  induces an injection  $H/A \rightarrow \hat{A}$ . The action of  $H/A$  on  $\hat{A}$  is then given by translation and, hence, is free. Since  $H/A$  is étale and its action on  $U_\Omega \cong \hat{A}$  is principal, the image of  $C_r^*(\mathcal{A}, \Lambda_\Omega) \cong C^*(A)$  under the natural embedding into  $C_r^*(\Sigma; \Omega) = C^*(H; E)$  is a diagonal subalgebra.

**3.2. Extensions by 2-cocycles.** Extensions associated to groupoid 2-cocycles yield some nice applications of the pushout construction. For convenience, we review the basics here. (For more details, see [IKSW19, Appendix A].) Assume that  $p_{\mathcal{A}} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  is a  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle. As before we write  $\mathcal{A}(u)$  for  $p_{\mathcal{A}}^{-1}(u)$  for  $u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . Assume that  $\varphi : \mathcal{G}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a continuous normalized 2-cocycle. That is,  $\varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{A}(r(\gamma_1))$  for all  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{G}^{(2)}$ ,  $\varphi(\gamma_0, \gamma_1) + \varphi(\gamma_0\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = \gamma_0 \cdot \varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) + \varphi(\gamma_0, \gamma_1\gamma_2)$  for all  $(\gamma_0, \gamma_1), (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{G}^{(2)}$ , and  $\varphi(\gamma, u) = \varphi(u, \gamma) = 0_u$  for all  $\gamma \in \mathcal{A}(u)$  and  $u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . Then the extension  $\Sigma_\varphi$  of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{A}$  determined by  $\varphi$  is obtained by giving the fibered product  $\mathcal{A} * \mathcal{G}$  the groupoid structure where  $(a_1, \gamma_1)(a_2, \gamma_2) = (a_1 + \gamma_1 \cdot a_2 + \varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2), \gamma_1\gamma_2)$  if  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{G}^{(2)}$  and  $(a, \gamma)^{-1} = (-\gamma^{-1} \cdot a - \varphi(\gamma^{-1}, \gamma), \gamma^{-1})$ . We exhibit  $\Sigma_\varphi$  as an extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{A}$  via  $i(a) = (a, p_{\mathcal{A}}(a))$  and  $p(a, \gamma) = \gamma$ .

*Example 3.13.* If  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times A$  is the trivial bundle (with trivial action), then an  $\mathcal{A}$ -valued cocycle is given by a continuous  $A$ -valued 2-cocycle  $\sigma$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  via the formula  $\varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = (\sigma(\gamma_1, \gamma_2), r(\gamma_1))$ .

*Example 3.14.* Let  $\varphi$  be a continuous normalized  $\mathbf{T}$ -valued 2-cocycle and let  $\Sigma_\varphi$  be the  $\mathbf{T}$ -twist associated to  $\varphi$ . Then by Proposition 3.7 and Remark 3.8, and the fact that  $\Sigma_{\varphi^n} \cong n_*(\Sigma_\varphi)$  for all  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ , we have

$$C^*(\Sigma_\varphi) \cong \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbf{Z}} C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma_{\varphi^n}).$$

This recovers [BaH14, Theorem 3.2].

*Example 3.15 (Transformation groupoids).* Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a groupoid acting on the right of a locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$ . Recall that the transformation groupoid  $X \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  is obtained by endowing the fibered product  $X * \mathcal{G}$  with the groupoid operations  $(x, \gamma_1)(x \cdot \gamma_1, \gamma_2) = (x, \gamma_1\gamma_2)$  if  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{G}^{(2)}$  and  $(x, \gamma)^{-1} = (x \cdot \gamma, \gamma^{-1})$ .

Assume that  $\varphi : \mathcal{G}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a 2-cocycle as above. Then one can define a natural 2-cocycle  $\tilde{\varphi} : (X \rtimes \mathcal{G})^{(2)} \rightarrow X * \mathcal{A}$  via  $\tilde{\varphi}((x, \gamma_1), (x \cdot \gamma_1, \gamma_2)) = (x, \varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2))$ . The extension  $\Sigma_{\tilde{\varphi}}$  of  $X \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  defined by  $\tilde{\varphi}$  is isomorphic to the extension  $X \rtimes \Sigma_\varphi$ , where  $\Sigma_\varphi$  is the extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  defined by  $\varphi$ . To see this, note that  $\Sigma_{\tilde{\varphi}} = \{ ((x, a), (x, \gamma)) : x \in X, a \in \mathcal{A}^x, \gamma \in \mathcal{G}^x \}$  with the operations

$$((x, a_1), (x, \gamma_1))((x \cdot \gamma_1, a_2), (x \cdot \gamma_1, \gamma_2)) = ((x, a_1 + \gamma_1 a_2 + \varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)), (x, \gamma_1\gamma_2))$$

and

$$((x, a), (x, \gamma))^{-1} = ((x \cdot \gamma, -\gamma^{-1}a - \varphi(\gamma^{-1}, \gamma)), (x \cdot \gamma, \gamma^{-1})).$$

On the other hand,  $X \rtimes \Sigma_\varphi = \{(x, (a, \gamma)) : x \in X, a \in \mathcal{A}^x, \gamma \in \mathcal{G}^x\}$  with the operations

$$(x, (a_1, \gamma_1))(x \cdot \gamma_1, (a_2, \gamma_2)) = (x, (a_1 + \gamma_1 a_2 + \varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2), \gamma_1 \gamma_2))$$

and

$$(x, (a, \gamma))^{-1} = (x \cdot \gamma, (-\gamma^{-1} \cdot a - \varphi(\gamma^{-1}, \gamma), \gamma^{-1})).$$

Therefore the map  $V : \Sigma_{\tilde{\varphi}} \rightarrow X \rtimes \Sigma_\varphi$  defined by  $V((x, a), (x, \gamma)) = (x, (a, \gamma))$  is a groupoid isomorphism.

Suppose that  $p_B : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  is another abelian  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle and that  $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is an equivariant map such that  $f|_{\mathcal{A}(u)} : \mathcal{A}(u) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(u)$  is a continuous group homomorphism for all  $u \in \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . There is a  $\mathcal{B}$ -valued 2-cocycle  $f_*(\varphi) : \mathcal{G}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  given by  $f_*(\varphi)(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) = f(\varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2))$ .

**Lemma 3.16.** *Let  $\Sigma_{f_*(\varphi)}$  be the extension of  $\mathcal{G}$  by  $\mathcal{B}$  determined by  $f_*(\varphi)$ . Then  $f_*\Sigma_\varphi$  is properly isomorphic to  $\Sigma_{f_*(\varphi)}$ .*

*Proof.* Define  $g : \Sigma_\varphi \rightarrow \Sigma_{f_*(\varphi)}$  by  $g(a, \gamma) = (f(a), \gamma)$ . The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{i} & \Sigma_\varphi \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ \mathcal{B} & \xrightarrow{i} & \Sigma_{f_*(\varphi)} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \nearrow p \\ \searrow p \end{array} \mathcal{G}$$

commutes. Therefore the lemma follows from Theorem 1.5.  $\square$

**3.3. The  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid defined by a 2-cocycle.** We continue to assume the setting from Section 3.2:  $\mathcal{A}$  is an abelian  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle,  $\varphi : \mathcal{G}^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a 2-cocycle, and  $\Sigma_\varphi$  is the extension defined by  $\varphi$ . Then, as in Example 3.15 there is a 2-cocycle

$$\tilde{\varphi} : (\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G})^{(2)} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A}$$

defined by

$$(3.4) \quad \tilde{\varphi}((\chi, \gamma_1), (\chi \cdot \gamma_1, \gamma_2)) = (\chi, \varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2))$$

if  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{G}^{(2)}$ . Therefore we can identify  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \Sigma_\varphi$  with  $\Sigma_{\tilde{\varphi}}$ , the extension of  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  determined by  $\tilde{\varphi}$ . Consider the 2-cocycle  $\hat{\varphi} := f_*\tilde{\varphi} : (\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G})^{(2)} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{A}} \times \mathbf{T}$  defined via

$$\hat{\varphi}((\chi, \gamma_1), (\chi, \gamma_2)) = (\chi, \chi(\varphi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2))).$$

Lemma 3.16 and Theorem 3.2 imply that  $\tilde{\Sigma}_\varphi$  is isomorphic to the  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid defined by  $\hat{\varphi}$  and  $C^*(\Sigma_\varphi)$  is isomorphic to  $C^*(\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}; \Sigma_{\tilde{\varphi}})$ .

*Example 3.17.* The following example was studied in [IKSW19]. Let  $X$  be a second-countable locally compact Hausdorff space, and  $G$  a second-countable locally compact abelian group. Let  $\mathcal{G}$  denote the sheaf of germs of continuous  $G$ -valued functions on  $X$ , and let  $c \in Z^2(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{G})$  be a normalized Čech two cocycle for some locally finite cover  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  of  $X$  by precompact open sets. The blow-up groupoid  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}}$  with respect to the natural map from  $\bigsqcup_i U_i$  into  $X$  is

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}} = \{(i, x, j) : x \in U_{ij} := U_i \cap U_j\}$$

with  $(i, x, j)(j, x, k) = (i, x, k)$  and  $(i, x, j)^{-1} = (j, x, i)$ . As noted in [IKSW19, Remark 3.3], the Čech 2-cocycle  $c$  defines a groupoid 2-cocycle  $\varphi_c : \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}}^{(2)} \rightarrow G$  via

$$\varphi_c((i, x, j), (j, x, k)) = c_{ijk}(x).$$

Let  $\Sigma_c$  be the extension of  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}}$  by the 2-cocycle  $\varphi_c$ . Define

$$\hat{\varphi} : ((\hat{G} \times \bigsqcup_i U_i) \rtimes \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}})^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbf{T} \times \hat{G} \times \bigsqcup_i U_i$$

by

$$\hat{\varphi}((\tau, (i, x, j)), (\tau, (j, x, k))) = (\overline{\tau(c_{ijk}(x))}, \tau)$$

for  $\tau \in \hat{G}$  and  $((i, x, j), (j, x, k)) \in (\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}})^{(2)}$ . Then  $\hat{\varphi}$  is a groupoid 2-cocycle, and the pushout groupoid  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is isomorphic to the  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid that is the extension of  $(\hat{G} \times \bigsqcup_i U_i) \rtimes \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{U}}$  defined by  $\hat{\varphi}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{V} = \{\hat{G} \times U_i\}_{i \in I}$  be the locally finite cover of  $\hat{G} \times X$ , let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the sheaf of germs of continuous  $\mathbf{T}$ -valued functions, and define  $\nu^c = \{\nu_{ijk}^c\} \in Z^2(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{S})$  by

$$\nu^c((\tau, (i, x, j)), (\tau, (j, x, k))) = \overline{\tau(c_{ijk}(x))}.$$

Then the 2-cocycle  $\hat{\varphi}$  is defined by the Čech 2-cocycle  $\nu^c \in Z^2(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{S})$ .

That is,  $\nu^c$  is the normalized 2-cocycle considered in [IKSW19, Equation (3.4)]. Hence the generalized Raeburn–Taylor  $C^*$ -algebra  $A(\nu)$  studied in [IKSW19] is isomorphic to the restricted  $C^*$ -algebra of the  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid defined by the 2-cocycle  $\nu^c$ .

By [IKSW19, Lemma 5.2],  $A(\nu)$  is a continuous-trace  $C^*$ -algebra with spectrum  $\hat{G} \times X$  with Dixmier–Douady invariant  $\delta(A(\nu)) = [\nu^c]$ . For a concrete example, let  $G = \mathbf{Z}$  and choose a Čech 2-cocycle  $c$  associated to any line bundle.

*Example 3.18.* This example is an expansion of [IKR<sup>+</sup>21, Example 4.10]. Let  $\Gamma = \mathbf{Z}$  act on  $\mathbf{T}$  via rotation by  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Q}$ :  $z \cdot k := ze^{2\pi i k \alpha}$ . If  $\alpha = m/n$  with  $m$  and  $n$  relatively prime, then  $n\mathbf{Z}$  fixes the action. We have a short exact sequence of groups

$$(3.5) \quad n\mathbf{Z} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{Z} \xrightarrow{p} \mathbf{Z}_n.$$

The action on  $\mathbf{T}$  leads to an extension of groupoids

$$(3.6) \quad n\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{T} \xrightarrow{i} \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_n.$$

Thus, using the notation from the previous section,  $\mathcal{A} = \mathbf{T} \times n\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $\Sigma = \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}$ , and  $\mathcal{G} = \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_n$ . The  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(\mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z})$  is the rational rotation  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}_\alpha$  (see, for example, [DB84]). The groupoid  $\mathcal{D}$  is the cartesian product  $\mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}$ , where  $\mathbf{T}_n = \mathbf{T}/\mathbf{Z}_n$  is the dual of  $n\mathbf{Z}$ . The extension  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is the quotient of  $\mathcal{D}$  where we identify  $(\omega, \chi, z, nl+k)$  with  $(\omega, \chi^{nl}, z, k)$ . Therefore the rational rotation algebra  $\mathcal{A}_\alpha$  is the completion of continuous functions  $F$  on  $\mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $F(\omega, \chi, nl+k) = \chi^{nl}F(\omega, \chi, k)$  for all  $l \in \mathbf{Z}$ .

The extension  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is properly isomorphic to the one defined by a 2-cocycle. Indeed, let  $\sigma = e^{2\pi i\alpha} \in \mathbf{T}$  and view  $\sigma$  as a character on  $\mathbf{Z}$ . Thus we can identify  $\mathbf{Z}_n$  with  $\sigma(\mathbf{Z})$  and then the map  $p$  in the short exact sequence (3.5) equals  $\sigma$ . Choose  $s \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $sm = 1 \pmod{n}$ . Then the map  $\tau : \mathbf{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  defined by  $\tau(k) = sk$  defines a cross-section of  $\sigma$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{Z}$  is properly isomorphic to the extension  $n\mathbf{Z} \times_\omega \mathbf{Z}_n$  by a two cocycle  $\omega : \mathbf{Z}_n \times \mathbf{Z}_n \rightarrow n\mathbf{Z}$  defined by  $\tau$ . Using the proof of [IKSW19, Proposition A.6],  $\omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2) = \tau(\dot{k}_1) + \tau(\dot{k}_2) - \tau(\dot{k}_1 + \dot{k}_2)$ . A quick computation shows that

$$\omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \dot{k}_1 + \dot{k}_2 < n \\ ns & \text{if } \dot{k}_1 + \dot{k}_2 \geq n, \end{cases}$$

which recovers the 2-cocycle used in Step 2 of the proof of [DB84, Proposition 1].

The map  $\underline{\tau} : \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}$  defined by  $\underline{\tau}(z, k) = (z, \tau(k))$  is a cross-section of the extension of the groupoids (3.6). Hence  $\mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}$  is properly isomorphic to the extension given by the 2-cocycle  $\varphi \in Z^2(\mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_n, \mathbf{T} \times n\mathbf{Z})$  defined by  $\varphi((w, \dot{k}_1), (w \cdot \dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)) = (w, \omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2))$ . The extension of the 2-cocycle  $\varphi$  is  $\Sigma_\varphi = \mathbf{T} \times n\mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z}_n$  with operations  $(w, nl_1, \dot{k}_1)(w \cdot \dot{k}_1, nl_2, \dot{k}_2) = (w, nl_1 + nl_2 + \omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2), \dot{k}_1 + \dot{k}_2)$  and  $(w, nl, \dot{k})^{-1} = (w, -nl - \omega(-\dot{k}, \dot{k}), -\dot{k})$ . Following the proof of [IKSW19, Proposition A.6] the isomorphism between  $\Sigma_\varphi$  and  $\mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}$  is given by  $(w, nl, \dot{k}) \mapsto (w, nl + \tau(\dot{k}))$ .

We have that  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \simeq \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} * \mathcal{A} \simeq \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times n\mathbf{Z}$ . The action of  $\mathcal{G} = \mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_n$  on  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}$  is given via  $(\chi, w) \cdot (w, \dot{k}) = (\chi, w \cdot \dot{k}) = (\chi, w\sigma^k)$ . Therefore we can identify  $\hat{\mathcal{A}} \rtimes \mathcal{G}$  with  $\mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}_n := \{(\chi, w, \dot{k}) \in \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}_n\}$ , where  $(\chi, w, \dot{k}_1) \cdot (\chi, w \cdot \dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2) = (\chi, w, \dot{k}_1 + \dot{k}_2)$  and  $(\chi, w, \dot{k})^{-1} = (\chi, w \cdot \dot{k}, -\dot{k})$ . Thus the 2-cocycle  $\tilde{\varphi} : (\mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}_n)^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times n\mathbf{Z}$  of (3.4) is defined by

$$\tilde{\varphi}((\chi, w, \dot{k}_1), (\chi, w \cdot \dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)) = (\chi, w, \omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)).$$

By Lemma 3.16,  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  is properly isomorphic to the extension by the 2-cocycle  $\hat{\varphi}$  which is the pushout of  $\tilde{\varphi}$ . Therefore  $\hat{\varphi} : (\mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}_n)^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{T}$  is defined by

$$\hat{\varphi}((\chi, w, \dot{k}_1), (\chi, w \cdot \dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)) = (\chi, w, \chi^{\omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)}).$$

Hence the rotation algebra  $\mathcal{A}_\alpha$  is isomorphic to  $C^*(\mathbf{T}_n \times \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{Z}_n; \Sigma_{\hat{\varphi}})$ . For  $\chi \in \mathbf{T}_n$ , define  $\chi_*(\varphi) : (\mathbf{T} \rtimes \mathbf{Z}_n)^{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbf{T}$  by

$$\chi_*(\varphi)((w, \dot{k}_1), (w \cdot \dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)) = (w, \chi^{\omega(\dot{k}_1, \dot{k}_2)}).$$

Then Proposition 3.6 implies that  $\mathcal{A}_\alpha$  is the section algebra of an upper-semicontinuous  $C^*$ -bundle over  $\mathbf{T}_n$  with fiber at  $\chi \in \mathbf{T}_n$  isomorphic to  $C^*(\mathbf{T} \rtimes Z_n; \Sigma_{\chi^*(\varphi)})$ .

## APPENDIX A. BUNDLES OF TWISTS

Let  $\Sigma$  be a twist over  $\mathcal{G}$ . Alternatively,  $\Sigma$  is a  $\mathbf{T}$ -groupoid so that we have the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \times \mathbf{T} & \xrightarrow{i} & \Sigma & \xrightarrow{j} & \mathcal{G}, \\ & \searrow & \Downarrow & \swarrow & \\ & & \mathcal{G}^{(0)} & & \end{array}$$

where as usual we have identified  $\Sigma^{(0)}$  and  $\mathcal{G}^{(0)}$ . In particular, if  $F \subset \mathcal{G}^{(0)}$  is  $\mathcal{G}$ -invariant, then it is  $\Sigma$ -invariant and the reduction  $\Sigma|_F$  is also a twist over the reduction  $\mathcal{G}|_F$ .

Suppose that  $p : \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \rightarrow T$  is a continuous map such that  $p \circ r = r \circ s$ . Then we say that  $\Sigma$  is a groupoid bundle over  $T$ .<sup>1</sup> Then  $p^{-1}(t)$  is invariant for all  $t \in T$ . We write  $\Sigma(t)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(t)$  for the restrictions to  $p^{-1}(t)$ , respectively. Then  $\Sigma(t)$  is a twist over  $\mathcal{G}(t)$ .

**Proposition A.1.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{G}$  is a second countable locally compact Hausdorff groupoid with a Haar system and that  $\Sigma$  is a twist over  $\mathcal{G}$ . If  $p : \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \rightarrow T$  is a continuous map such that  $p \circ r = p \circ s$ , then  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  is a  $C_0(T)$ -algebra. Let  $\Sigma(t)$  be the twist over  $\mathcal{G}(t)$  defined above. Then  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  is (isomorphic to) the section algebra of an upper-semicontinuous  $C^*$ -bundle over  $T$ . The fibre  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)(t)$  is isomorphic to  $C^*(\mathcal{G}(t); \Sigma(t))$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that  $C^*(\mathcal{G}; \Sigma)$  is the  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  of a Fell bundle  $q : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  as described in [MW08, Example 2.9]. Similarly,  $C^*(\mathcal{G}(t); \Sigma(t))$  is the  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(\mathcal{G}(t), \mathcal{B})$  of  $q|_{q^{-1}(\mathcal{G}(t))}$ . Let  $U(t) = \mathcal{G}^{(0)} \setminus p^{-1}(t)$ . Using [IW12, Theorem 3.7] (as in [SW13, Lemma 9]), we obtain a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow C^*(\mathcal{G}|_{U(t)}, \mathcal{B}) \xrightarrow{i} C^*(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B}) \xrightarrow{j} C^*(\mathcal{G}(t), \mathcal{B}) \longrightarrow 0$$

where  $i$  identifies  $C^*(\mathcal{G}|_{U(t)}, \mathcal{B})$  with the completion in  $C^*(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  of the ideal of sections in  $\Gamma_c(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  that vanish off  $\mathcal{G}|_{U(t)}$ , and  $j$  is given on  $\Gamma_c(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  by restriction to  $p^{-1}(t)$ . Now exactly as in [Wil19, Proposition 5.37], we see that  $C^*(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  is a  $C_0(T)$ -algebra with fibres  $C^*(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})(t)$  identified with  $C^*(\mathcal{G}(t), \mathcal{B})$ .  $\square$

<sup>1</sup>The third author defined groupoid bundles in [Ren15, Definition 3.3] where it is also required that  $p$  be open.

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