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Transverse measures, the modular class and a cohomology pairing for Lie algebroids. (English) [Zbl 0968.58014](#)

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For any Lie algebroid A over a manifold P [see *I. Vaisman*, "Lectures on the geometry of Poisson manifolds" (1994; [Zbl 0810.53019](#)) and *A. Weinstein*, *J. Geom. Phys.* 23, No. 3-4, 379-394 (1997; [Zbl 0902.58013](#))], a representation of A on the line bundle $Q_A = \wedge^{\text{top}} A \otimes \wedge^{\text{top}} T^*P$ is constructed. In the case when A is the sub-bundle of TP tangent to a foliation \mathcal{F} , sections of Q_A are the transverse measures to \mathcal{F} , by analogy with the top exterior power of Bott connection.

Two applications are proposed:

1) Every representation of A on a line bundle defines a 'characteristic class' in the first Lie algebroid cohomology of A with trivial coefficients. For the representation on Q_A we get the modular class of A . When A is the cotangent bundle Lie algebroid T^*P of a Poisson manifold P we get the representation of A on the 'square root' $\wedge^{\text{top}} T^*P$ of Q_A . The corresponding characteristic class of A is then the modular class of the Poisson structure, and the Poisson homology is isomorphic to the Lie algebroid cohomology of $A = T^*P$ with coefficients in $\wedge^{\text{top}} T^*P$.

2) A pairing between the Lie algebroid cohomology spaces of A with trivial coefficients and with coefficients in Q_A , like the Poincaré duality for Lie algebra cohomology and de Rham cohomology, is established.

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MSC:

- [58H05](#) Pseudogroups and differentiable groupoids
- [58A12](#) de Rham theory in global analysis
- [58A30](#) Vector distributions (subbundles of the tangent bundles)
- [53D17](#) Poisson manifolds; Poisson groupoids and algebroids
- [22A22](#) Topological groupoids (including differentiable and Lie groupoids)

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