

# Properties of semiclassical quantization

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Recall:  $a(x, \xi; h) \in S_{1,0,h}^k$  if

$$|\partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\beta a(x, \xi; h)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle \xi \rangle^{k-|\beta|}, \quad (x, \xi) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}, \quad 0 < h \leq 1.$$

$$\mathcal{O}_h(a) f(x) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x-y, \xi \rangle} a(x, \xi) f(y) dy d\xi,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_h(a) : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

## Oscillatory testing

READ [Zw, Theorem 4.19]

Want to recover the symbol  $a$  from the operator  $\mathcal{O}_h(a)$ .

① Assume  $a \in S_{h,1,0}^k$ . Denote for  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the function

$$e_\eta(x) = e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x, \eta \rangle} \quad \text{Then}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_h(a) e_\eta(x) = e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x, \eta \rangle} \cdot a(x, \eta; h)$$

Here we can apply  $\mathcal{O}_h(a)$  to  $e_\eta$  since  $e_\eta \in \mathcal{S}'$ .

Proof. Will just do the case  $a \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then

$$\mathcal{O}_h(a) e_\eta(x) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x, \xi \rangle} a(x, \xi) \hat{e}_\eta\left(\frac{\xi}{h}\right) d\xi.$$

$$\text{But } \hat{e}_\eta(x\xi) = (2\pi)^n \delta\left(\xi - \frac{\eta}{h}\right), \text{ so } \hat{e}_\eta\left(\frac{\xi}{h}\right) = (2\pi h)^n \delta(\xi - \eta)$$

finishing the proof.  $\square$

② Assume  $A : \mathcal{S}' \rightarrow \mathcal{S}'$  is continuous and  $a \in S_{1,0,h}^k$

$$\text{satisfy } A e_\eta(x) = e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x, \eta \rangle} a(x, \eta; h) \quad \forall \eta$$

Then  $A = \mathcal{O}_h(a)$

Proof. ~~B Put  $B \rightarrow$~~  Take  $u \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

& ~~put~~ <sup>write</sup>  $u(x) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{u}(\frac{\eta}{h}) e_{\eta}(x) d\eta$

By the Fourier inversion formula. Since  $A$  is continuous  $S' \rightarrow S'$ ,  $\|e_{\eta}\|_{S'}$  is polynomially bounded in  $\eta$  for any seminorm in  $S'$  (with the polynomial depending on the seminorm chosen), and  $\hat{u}$  is rapidly decaying, we set

$$Au(x) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{u}(\frac{\eta}{h}) A e_{\eta}(x) d\eta$$

$$= (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{i}{h}\langle x, \eta \rangle} a(x, \eta; h) \hat{u}(\frac{\eta}{h}) d\eta = Op_h(a)u.$$

So  $A = Op_h(a)$  on  $S \Rightarrow A = Op_h(a)$  on  $S'$  by density.

Product Rule

READ [2w, Thm 4.11 + 4.17]

Assume  $a \in S_{1,0,h}^k$ ,  $b \in S_{1,0,h}^l$ . Then  $\exists a \# b \in S_{1,0,h}^{k+l}$  such that  $Op_h(a)Op_h(b) = Op_h(a \# b)$  and moreover  $a \# b(x, \xi; h) \sim \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-ih)^j \sum_{|\alpha|=j} \frac{1}{\alpha!} \partial_{\xi}^{\alpha} a(x, \xi; h) \partial_x^{\alpha} b(x, \xi; h)$ . (PROD)

Proof. Will just do the case  $a, b \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ ,  $h$ -indepdt. We use oscillatory testing. Define  $\forall \eta$ ,

$$a \# b(x, \eta; h) = e^{-\frac{i}{h}\langle x, \eta \rangle} Op_h(a) Op_h(b) e_{\eta}(x).$$

Note:  $\forall \eta, a \# b \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$  because  $Op_h(a), Op_h(b): S' \rightarrow S$ .

So if we show that  $a \# b \in S_{1,0,h}^{k+l}$  & (PROD) holds then the proof is finished.

Using oscillatory testing, we write

$$O_p h(b) e_\eta(x) = e_\eta(x) \cdot b(x, \eta). \text{ Therefore}$$

$$a \# b(x, \eta; h) = e^{-\frac{i}{h} \langle x, \eta \rangle} O_p h(a) \left[ e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle \cdot, \eta \rangle} b(\cdot, \eta) \right]$$

$$= (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} e^{-\frac{i}{h} \langle x, \eta \rangle} \cdot e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x-y, \xi \rangle} a(x, \xi) e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle y, \eta \rangle} b(y, \eta) dy d\xi$$

$$= (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x-y, \xi-\eta \rangle} a(x, \xi) b(y, \eta) dy d\xi$$

Note:  $a \# b \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$  for any fixed  $h$  since  $a, b \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ , and the  $\int$  is over a compact set.

For fixed  $x, \eta$ , can get an asymptotic expansion

for  $a \# b(x, \eta; h)$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$  by Method of Stationary Phase.

(MSPh)

Here  $\Phi(y, \xi) = \langle x-y, \xi-\eta \rangle$ . So,

$$\nabla \Phi = 0 \Leftrightarrow y = x, \xi = \eta. \text{ And } |\det \nabla^2 \Phi| = 1, \text{ sgn } \nabla^2 \Phi = 0$$

(note:  $\Phi = -\langle y, \xi \rangle + \text{linear terms} + \text{cst terms in } y, \xi$ ).

So the first term in the expansion is

$$(2\pi h)^{-n} \cdot \left[ (2\pi h)^n \cdot e^{\frac{i\hbar}{4} \cdot 0} \cdot 1^{-1/2} \cdot e^{\frac{i}{h} \cdot 0} \cdot a(x, \eta) b(x, \eta) \right].$$

For next terms, need to look at the proof of

stationary phase - since  $\Phi$  is quadratic, there

is an explicit expansion & it gives (PROD).

Finally, MSPh actually gives an expansion uniform in  $(x, \eta)$  with all  $(x, \eta)$ -derivatives.  $\square$

# Basic consequences of (PROD):

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①  $a \# b = ab + h S_{1,0,h}^{k+l-1}$

② The Commutator Rule:  $[Op_h(a), Op_h(b)] = Op_h(a \# b - b \# a) +$

$$a \# b - b \# a = -ih \{a, b\} + h^2 S_{1,0,h}^{k+l-2}$$

where  $\{a, b\}(x, \xi) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left[ \partial_{\xi_j} a(x, \xi) \partial_{x_j} b(x, \xi) - \right.$

$\left. - \partial_{x_j} a(x, \xi) \partial_{\xi_j} b(x, \xi) \right]$  is the Poisson bracket.

③ Pseudolocality: Assume  $\chi_1, \chi_2 \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$\text{supp } \chi_1 \cap \text{supp } \chi_2 = \emptyset$ . Then  $\forall a \in S_{1,0,h}^k$ ,

$\chi_1 Op_h(a) \chi_2 = O(h^\infty)_{\mathcal{D}' \rightarrow C_c^\infty}$ , i.e. it has an  $\mathcal{O}(h^\infty)$  integral kernel in  $h^\infty \cdot C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ .

Proof.  $\chi_j = Op_h(\chi_j(x))$ . Use the Product Rule.

Get  $\chi_1 Op_h(a) \chi_2 = Op_h(c)$  where  $c = \chi_1 \# a \# \chi_2$ .

But from (PROD) we see that all terms in the expansion are 0, since  $\text{supp } \chi_1 \cap \text{supp } \chi_2 = \emptyset$ . So  $c \in h^\infty S^{-\infty}$

which implies that the integral kernel of  $Op_h(c)$  is in  $h^\infty C_c^\infty$ :  $Op_h(c)f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(x, y; h) f(y) dy$  where

$$K \in C_c^\infty \text{ \& \ } \sup \|\partial_x^\alpha \partial_y^\beta K\| \leq C_{\alpha\beta N} h^N \quad \forall \alpha, \beta, N.$$

Finally  $K \in C_c^\infty$  since  $\text{supp } K \subset \text{supp } \chi_1 \times \text{supp } \chi_2 = \emptyset$ .  $\square$

Adjoint Rule: Assume  $a \in S_{1,0,h}^k$ . Then

$\exists a^* \in S_{1,0,h}^k$  s.t.  $\mathcal{O}_h(a)^* = \mathcal{O}_h(a^*)$  and

$$a^*(x, \xi; h) \sim \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-ih)^j \sum_{|\alpha| \geq j} \frac{1}{\alpha!} \partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\alpha \overline{a(x, \xi; h)}. \quad (\text{ADJ})$$

Note: here  $\mathcal{O}_h(a)^* = \mathcal{O}_h(a^*)$  just means that

$$\forall f, g \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad \langle \mathcal{O}_h(a)f, g \rangle_{L^2} = \langle f, \mathcal{O}_h(a^*)g \rangle_{L^2}.$$

Proof. We have for  $g \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$\mathcal{O}_h(a)^* g(x) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle y-x, \xi \rangle} \overline{a(x, \xi; h)} g(y) dy d\xi$$

$$\text{i.e. } \mathcal{O}_h(a)^* g(x) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x-y, \xi \rangle} \overline{a(y, \xi; h)} g(y) dy d\xi.$$

Use oscillatory test  $\rightarrow$  set

$$a^*(x, \eta; h) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{i}{h} \langle x-y, \xi-\eta \rangle} \overline{a(y, \xi; h)} dy d\xi.$$

Now use Method of Stationary Phase similarly to Product Rule.

(even when  $a \in C_c^\infty$ , need not have  $a^* \in C_c^\infty$  but it will be  $h^\infty \langle \xi \rangle^{-\infty}$  away from supp  $a$ .)  $\square$

Basic consequence of (ADJ):  $a^* = \bar{a} + h S_{1,0,h}^{k-1}$ .

Mapping Properties

① If  $a \in S_{1,0,h}^0$ , then  $Op_h(a): S'(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  restricts to a bdd operator

$Op_h(a): L^2 \rightarrow L^2$  &

$\|Op_h(a)\|_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2}$  is bdd uniformly in  $h \dots$

Proof in the case  $a \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ :

$Op_h(a)$  has integral kernel

$K(x,y;h) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\frac{i}{h}\langle x-y, \xi \rangle} a(x, \xi) d\xi$

So if  $\mathcal{F}_{\xi \rightarrow \eta}$  denotes the Fourier tr. in  $\xi$  only, then

$K(x,y;h) = (2\pi h)^{-n} \mathcal{F}_{\xi \rightarrow \frac{y-x}{h}} a(x, \frac{y-x}{h})$

However,  $\mathcal{F}_{\xi} a$  is Schwartz since  $a \in C_c^\infty$ .

Use Schur's Inequality: enough to estimate

$\sup_x \int |K(x,y;h)| dy \leq C$

$\sup_y \int |K(x,y;h)| dx \leq C$  by change of variables...

For general  $a \in S_{1,0,h}^0$  this is harder.

See [Zw, Theorem 4.23] .  $\square$

Sobolev spaces.

Recall  $\langle \xi \rangle := \sqrt{1 + |\xi|^2}$ .

Usual Sobolev space:  $H^k(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

~~$$\|u\|_{H^k(\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \langle \xi \rangle^{2k} |\hat{u}(\xi)|^2 d\xi$$~~

$$\|u\|_{H^k(\mathbb{R}^n)} := \|\langle \xi \rangle^k \hat{u}(\xi)\|_{L^2}.$$

Semiclassical Sobolev space:  $H_h^k(\mathbb{R}^n) \subset S'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Same as  $H^k$  as a space but the norm

is  $h$ -dependent:  $\|u\|_{H_h^k(\mathbb{R}^n)} := \|\langle h\xi \rangle^k \hat{u}(\xi)\|_{L^2}.$

~~$$\|u\|_{H_h^2}^2 = \|u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|h^2 \Delta u\|_{L^2}^2$$~~

For example,  $\|u\|_{H_h^2}^2 \approx \|u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|h^2 \Delta u\|_{L^2}^2.$

Indeed, LHS =  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (1 + |\xi|^2)^2 |\hat{u}(\xi)|^2 d\xi$

RHS =  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (1 + |h\xi|^4) |\hat{u}(\xi)|^2 d\xi.$

Or,  $\|u\|_{H_h^2}^2 = \|u\|_{L^2}^2 + \|h^2 \Delta u\|_{L^2}^2.$

Mapping Property (2): If  $a \in S_{1,0,h}^k$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

then  $\|Op_h(a)\|_{H_h^s \rightarrow H_h^{s-k}} \leq C$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$ .

Proof: Note that

$$\|u\|_{H_h^s}^2 = \|\langle h D_x \rangle^s u\|_{L^2} = \|\text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^s) u\|_{L^2}.$$

(check it!) And  $\text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^s) \text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^t) = \text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^{s+t})$ .

Then for  $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$\|\text{Op}_h(a) f\|_{H_h^{s-k}} = \|\text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^{s-k}) \text{Op}_h(a) \text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^{-s}) \text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^s) u\|_{L^2}$$

$$\leq \|\text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^{s-k} \# a \# \langle \xi \rangle^{-s}) \text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^s) u\|_{L^2}$$

$$\leq C \|\text{Op}_h(\langle \xi \rangle^s) u\|_{L^2} = C \|u\|_{H_h^s}$$

Since  $\langle \xi \rangle^{s-k} \# a \# \langle \xi \rangle^{-s} \in S_{1,0,h}^0$  by Product Rule & we used  $L^2$  boundedness.

## Ellipticity

We start with a global statement:

Thm Assume  $a \in S_{2,0,h}^k$  &  $\exists c > 0: |a(x,\xi;h)| \geq c \langle \xi \rangle^k$ .

Then  $\exists b \in S_{1,0,h}^{-k}$  s.t.  $a \# b^{-1}, b \# a^{-1} \in h^\infty S^{-\infty}$ .

In particular,  $\text{Op}_h(a) \text{Op}_h(b), \text{Op}_h(b) \text{Op}_h(a) = I + h^\infty \text{smoothing}$ .

Proof. ①  $a^{-1} \in S_{1,0,h}^{-k}$ : direct verification.

So  $\text{Op}_h(a) \text{Op}_h(a^{-1}) = \text{Op}_h(1+r), r \in h S_{1,0,h}^{k-1}$ .

Need to invert  $1+r \rightarrow$  take the Neumann series: namely take  $b \sim \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a^{-1} \# r^j$  here  $r^j \in h^j S_{1,0,h}^{-j}$ . Then  $a \# b^{-1} \in h^\infty S^{-\infty}$ .

② Take  $\tilde{b} \in S_{1,0,h}^{-k}$  s.t.  $\tilde{b} \# a^{-1} \in h^\infty S^{-\infty}$ . Then  $\tilde{b} + h^\infty S^{-\infty} = \tilde{b} \# a \# b = \tilde{b} + h^\infty S^{-\infty} \dots \quad \square$