

# OVERVIEW OF CALCULUS ON MANIFOLDS

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Here is a brief overview of semiclassical pseudodifferential calculus on a manifold  $M$ . See §E.1 in the Dyatlov–Zworski book for details. (Note: the calculus here corresponds to symbols in  $S_{1,0}^k$  in the notation of that book.)

- Distributions and general operators:
  - $\mathcal{D}'(M)$  distributions on  $M$ ,  $\mathcal{E}'(M)$  compactly supported distributions;
  - an operator  $A : C_c^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M)$  is called compactly supported, if its Schwartz kernel is compactly supported, i.e.  $A = \chi A \chi$  for some  $\chi \in C_c^\infty(M)$ ; in this case  $A$  maps  $C^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'(M)$ ;
  - $A : C_c^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M)$  is called properly supported, if for each  $\chi \in C_c^\infty(M)$ , the operators  $\chi A$  and  $A \chi$  are compactly supported; in this case  $A$  maps  $C_c^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'(M)$  and  $C^\infty(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M)$ ;
- Pseudodifferential operators:
  - $\Psi_h^k(M)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , the class of semiclassical pseudodifferential operators of order  $k$  on  $M$ ;
  - all elements of  $\Psi_h^k(M)$  map  $C_c^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$  and  $\mathcal{E}'(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M)$ ;
  - properly supported operators in  $\Psi_h^k(M)$  map  $C_c^\infty(M) \rightarrow C_c^\infty(M)$ ,  $C^\infty(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$ ,  $\mathcal{E}'(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}'(M)$ ,  $\mathcal{D}'(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M)$ , and thus can be multiplied with other operators;
  - $h^\infty \Psi^{-\infty} = \bigcap_k \Psi_h^k(M)$ , the class of rapidly decaying smoothing operators on  $M$ : integral operators of the form  $u \mapsto \int_M K(x, y; h) u(y) dy$  where  $K \in C^\infty(M \times M)$  and each  $C^\infty$  seminorm of  $K$  is  $\mathcal{O}(h^\infty)$ ; such operators map  $\mathcal{E}'(M) \rightarrow C^\infty(M)$ ;
- Symbols and quantization:
  - $S^k(T^*M)$  the space of  $h$ -dependent Kohn–Nirenberg symbols of order  $k$  on the cotangent bundle  $T^*M$  (with no uniformity in  $x$  imposed when  $M$  is noncompact);
  - $\sigma_h^k : \Psi_h^k(M) \rightarrow S^k(T^*M)/hS^{k-1}(T^*M)$  the principal symbol map (we usually suppress  $k$  in notation, simply writing  $\sigma_h$ );
  - the kernel of  $\sigma_h^k$  is equal to  $h\Psi_h^{k-1}(M)$ ;

- $\text{Op}_h : S^k(T^*M) \rightarrow \Psi_h^k(M)$  a noncanonical quantization map;
- $\sigma_h^k(\text{Op}_h(a)) = a \bmod hS^{k-1}(T^*M)$  for all  $a \in S^k(T^*M)$ ;
- for any  $a \in S^k(T^*M)$ ,  $\text{Op}_h(a)$  is properly supported, and if  $a$  is compactly supported in  $x$ , then  $\text{Op}_h(a)$  is compactly supported;
- we can choose  $\text{Op}_h$  so that  $\text{Op}_h(1) = I$ ;
- for each  $A \in \Psi_h^k(M)$  there exists  $a \in S^k(T^*M)$  such that  $A = \text{Op}_h(a) + \mathcal{O}(h^\infty)_{\Psi^{-\infty}}$ ;

- Algebraic properties:

- Product Rule: if  $A \in \Psi_h^k(M)$ ,  $B \in \Psi_h^\ell(M)$ , and at least one of these operators is properly supported, then  $AB \in \Psi_h^{k+\ell}(M)$ , and  $\sigma_h^{k+\ell}(AB) = \sigma_h^k(A)\sigma_h^\ell(B)$ ; equivalently, if  $a \in S^k(T^*M)$ ,  $b \in S^\ell(T^*M)$ , then

$$\text{Op}_h(a)\text{Op}_h(b) = \text{Op}_h(ab) + \mathcal{O}(h)_{\Psi^{k+\ell-1}(M)};$$

- Commutator Rule: under the assumptions of the Product Rule we have  $\sigma_h^{k+\ell-1}(h^{-1}[A, B]) = -i\{\sigma_h^k(A), \sigma_h^\ell(B)\}$ ; equivalently,

$$[\text{Op}_h(a), \text{Op}_h(b)] = -ih\text{Op}_h(\{a, b\}) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)_{\Psi^{k+\ell-2}(M)};$$

- Adjoint Rule: if we fix any smooth density on  $M$  (to fix an inner product on  $L^2(M)$  and thus be able to take adjoints of operators), and  $A \in \Psi_h^k(M)$ , then  $A^* \in \Psi_h^k(M)$  and  $\sigma_h^k(A^*) = \overline{\sigma_h^k(A)}$ ; equivalently, if  $a \in S^k(T^*M)$ , then

$$\text{Op}_h(a)^* = \text{Op}_h(\bar{a}) + \mathcal{O}(h)_{\Psi_h^{k-1}(M)};$$

- Wavefront sets:

- For  $A \in \Psi_h^k(M)$ , its wavefront set is  $\text{WF}_h(A) \subset \overline{T^*M}$ , with  $\overline{T^*M}$  the fiber-radial compactification of  $T^*M$ ;
- $\text{WF}_h(A) = \emptyset \iff A = \mathcal{O}(h^\infty)_{\Psi^{-\infty}}$ ;
- if  $a(x, \xi; h)$  is supported in an  $h$ -independent set  $K$ , then  $\text{WF}_h(\text{Op}_h(a)) \subset K$ ;
- $\text{WF}_h(A + B) \subset \text{WF}_h(A) \cup \text{WF}_h(B)$ ;
- $\text{WF}_h(AB) \subset \text{WF}_h(A) \cap \text{WF}_h(B)$ ;
- $\text{WF}_h(A^*) = \text{WF}_h(A)$ ;

- $L^2$  theory, assuming for simplicity  $M$  is compact:

- One can define semiclassical Sobolev spaces  $H_h^s(M)$ , with a noncanonical  $h$ -dependent norm, and  $H_h^0(M) = L^2(M)$ ;
- if  $A \in \Psi_h^k(M)$ , then  $A : H_h^s(M) \rightarrow H_h^{s-k}(M)$ , with the norm bounded uniformly in  $h$ ;
- $H_h^s(M)$  embeds compactly into  $H_h^t(M)$  for  $s > t$ ;

- Sharp Gårding inequality: if  $a \in S^k(T^*M)$  and  $\operatorname{Re} a \geq 0$  everywhere, then for each  $u \in H_h^{\frac{k}{2}}(M)$  and  $h$

$$\operatorname{Re}\langle \operatorname{Op}_h(a)u, u \rangle_{L^2} \geq -Ch \|u\|_{H_h^{\frac{k-1}{2}}(M)}$$

where  $C$  is some constant depending on  $a$ .