Star-exponentials on a complex symplectic manifold (joint work with Pierre Schapira)

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Introduction and motivations

Given a star-product ★_ħ on a symplectic manifold *M*, the star-exponential of *H*: *M* → ℝ is defined by the series:

$$Exp_{\star_{\hbar}}(\frac{tH}{i\hbar}) = \sum_{n\geq 0} \frac{1}{n!} (\frac{t}{i\hbar})^n H^{\star_{\hbar} n}$$

(Here \hbar is not a formal parameter but a positive real number.)

- It was introduced in [BFFLS 1978] as a tool to study the spectrum of observables without referring to an underlying Hilbert space.
- If ħ is a formal parameter, the star-exponential does not have any obvious meaning in the deformation quantization algebra C[∞](M)[[ħ]]. It would rather belong to C[∞](M)[[ħ, ħ⁻¹]].
- But $(C^{\infty}(M)[[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}]], \star_{\hbar})$ is not an algebra.
- With P. Schapira, by using techniques from micolocal analysis, we have constructed an algebra of deformation quantization on the cotangent bundle of a complex manifold, containing the star-exponentials.

Example (Harmonic oscillator (BFFLS Ann. Phys. 1978))

 $T^*\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^2$ with Moyal product \star_M . Hamiltonian: $H(x,\xi) = \frac{1}{2}(\xi^2 + x^2)$

$$\mathit{Exp}_{\star_M}(rac{tH}{i\hbar}) = rac{1}{\cos(t/2)}\expig(rac{(x^2+\xi^2)}{i\hbar} an(t/2)ig)$$

for $|t| < \pi$. The convergence is in $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^2)$. It is a periodic distribution in *t*.

$$\frac{1}{\cos(t/2)} \exp\big(\frac{(x^2 + \xi^2)}{i\hbar} \tan(t/2)\big) = \sum_{n \ge 0} \exp(-i(n + \frac{1}{2})t) \pi_n(x,\xi)$$

where

$$\pi_n(x,\xi) = 2(-1)^n \exp(-\frac{(x^2+\xi^2)}{\hbar}) L_n(\frac{2(x^2+\xi^2)}{\hbar}),$$

where the L_n 's are the Laguerre polynomials.

$$H\star_M \pi_n = \hbar(n+1/2)\pi_n \qquad \pi_n \star_M \pi_{n'} = \delta_{nn'}\pi_n.$$

Example (Feynman Path Integral (GD LMP 1990))

Normal star-product:

$$(f \star_N g)(\bar{z}, z) = fg + \sum_{n \ge 1} \frac{\hbar^n}{n!} \frac{\partial^n f}{\partial z^n} \frac{\partial^n g}{\bar{z}^n}$$

In the holomorphic representation of the CCR [a, a[†]] = ħ (af)(z̄) = ħf'(z̄) (a[†]f)(z̄) = z̄f(z̄) the FPI takes the form (Faddeev, Les Houches, 1975):

$$\int \prod_{s} \frac{d\bar{\xi}_{s}d\xi_{s}}{2\pi i\hbar} \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}(\bar{z}\xi_{t}+z\bar{\xi}_{0})-\frac{1}{\hbar}\int_{0}^{t} ds\frac{1}{2}(\bar{\xi}_{s}\dot{\xi}_{s}-\dot{\bar{\xi}}_{s}\xi_{s})+H(\bar{\xi}_{s},\xi_{s})\right]$$

integration is over paths $s \mapsto (\bar{\xi}_s, \xi_s)$ restricted to boundary conditions $\bar{\xi}_t = \bar{z}$ and $\xi_0 = z$.

► Heuristically:

$$"Exp_{\star_N}(rac{tH}{i\hbar})(ar{z},z) = \exp(-rac{1}{\hbar}ar{z}z) \ FPI(t,H)(ar{z},z)"$$

The sheaf of microdifferential operators \mathcal{E}_{T^*X}

- Let X be a complex manifold.
- ► At the beginning of the 70's, Sato-Kashiwara-Kawai (and Louis Boutet de Monvel) have constructed the sheaf of microdifferential operators *E*_{T*X}.
- \mathcal{E}_{T^*X} is a \mathbb{C}^{\times} -conic filtered sheaf of rings.
- Locally: U ⊂ T*X, (x, ξ) ∈ U, a section P ∈ E_{T*X}(U) is described by its total symbol:

$$\sigma_{\rm tot}(P)(x;\xi) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} p_j(x;\xi), \qquad m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad p_j \in \Gamma(U;\mathcal{O}_{T^*X}(j)).$$

• $\sigma_{tot}(P)$ satisfies growth conditions (canonical estimates):

 $\begin{cases} \text{for any compact subset } K \text{ of } U \text{ there exist positive constants} \\ C, \varepsilon \text{ such that } \sup_{(x;\xi)\in K} |p_j(x;\xi)| \leq C\varepsilon^{-j}(-j)! \text{ for all } j < 0. \end{cases}$

If Q is an operator of total symbol σ_{tot}(Q), then the total symbol of the product P ∘ Q is given by the Leibniz product.

$$\sigma_{ ext{tot}}({\it P}\circ {\it Q}) \;\; = \;\; \sum_{lpha\in\mathbb{N}^n} rac{1}{lpha!} \partial^lpha_\xi \sigma_{ ext{tot}}({\it P}) \partial^lpha_x \sigma_{ ext{tot}}({\it Q}).$$

The sheaf of microdifferential operators \mathcal{E}_{T^*X}

▶ Filtered by the order of operators: $\mathcal{E}_{T^*X} = \cup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{E}_{T^*X}(m)$

The associated graded sheaf of rings

$$\operatorname{gr} \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{T}^* X} \simeq \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}^* X}(j).$$

Consider a homogeneous symplectic transformation

$$\varphi\colon T^*X\supset U\xrightarrow{\sim} V\subset T^*Y.$$

Then φ may be locally quantized as an isomorphism of filtered sheaves of rings

$$\Phi\colon \varphi_*\mathcal{E}_{T^*X}|_U \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{E}_{T^*Y}|_V.$$

Remark: This isomorphism exists locally and is not unique.

The field k

Set $\widehat{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbb{C}[[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}]]$. An element $a \in \widehat{\mathbf{k}}$ of order $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a formal series:

$$a = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} a_j \hbar^{-j}, \quad a_j \in \mathbb{C}.$$

One defines **k** as the subfield of $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ of series satisfying

there exist $C, \varepsilon > 0$ with $|a_j| \leq C \varepsilon^{-j} (-j)!$ for all j < 0.

The sheaf $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{T}^*X}$

- If one forgets about the homogeneity of T*X, there exists a no more conic filtered sheaf of k-algebras W_{T*X}.
- It is a special case of a more general construction (algebroid stacks) of deformation quantization of a complex symplectic manifold. [Kontsevich (LMP 2001) for the formal case, Polesello-Schapira (IMRN 2004) for the analytic case in the spirit of the construction by Kashiwara (1996) of the quantization for complex contact manifolds.]
- \blacktriangleright Introduce a new parameter \hbar to replace homogeneity.
- ► The formal version of W_{T*X} is similar to deformation quantization in the C[∞] setting.

The sheaf \mathcal{W}_{T^*X}

► Locally W_{T^*X} is described as follows. $U \subset T^*X$, a section $P \in W_{T^*X}(U)$ has a total symbol

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(P)(x;\xi) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} p_j(x;\xi)\hbar^{-j}, \qquad m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad p_j \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}^*X}(U),$$

for any compact subset K of U there exist constants $C, \varepsilon > 0$

such that
$$\sup_{(x;\xi)\in K} |p_j(x,\xi)| \le C\varepsilon^{-j}(-j)!$$
 for all $j < 0$.

Its associated graded ring is

$$\operatorname{gr} \mathcal{W}_{T^*X} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{T^*X}[\hbar, \hbar^{-1}].$$

The product is given by the Leibniz product:

$$\sigma_{ ext{tot}}(P)\star\sigma_{ ext{tot}}(Q) \coloneqq \sum_{lpha\in\mathbb{N}^n}rac{\hbar^{|lpha|}}{lpha!}\partial^lpha_{\xi}\sigma_{ ext{tot}}(P)\cdot\partial^lpha_{ ext{x}}\sigma_{ ext{tot}}(Q).$$

The sheaf \mathcal{W}_{T^*X}

A symplectic transformation

$$\varphi\colon T^*X\supset U\xrightarrow{\sim} V\subset T^*Y.$$

as in the case of \mathcal{E}_{T^*X} , φ can be locally quantized as an isomorphism of filtered sheaves of rings

$$\Phi\colon \varphi_*\mathcal{W}_{T^*X}|_U \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{W}_{T^*Y}|_V.$$

Again, this isomorphism exists locally and is not unique.

From \mathcal{E}_{T^*X} to \mathcal{W}_{T^*X}

The sheaves \mathcal{E}_{T^*X} and \mathcal{W}_{T^*X} are linked as follows. Let $t \in \mathbb{C}$ be the coordinate and define

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{T}^*(X\times\mathbb{C}),\hat{t}} = \{ P \in \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{T}^*(X\times\mathbb{C})}; \ [P,\partial_t] = 0 \}.$$

Set

$$T^*_{\tau \neq 0}(X \times \mathbb{C}) = \{(x, t; \xi, \tau); \tau \neq 0\}$$

and consider the map

$$ho\colon T^*_{\tau\neq 0}(X imes \mathbb{C}) o T^*X, \qquad
ho(x,t;\xi, au)=(x;\xi/ au).$$

The ring \mathcal{W}_{T^*X} on T^*X is given by

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{T}^*X} := \rho_*(\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{T}^*(X \times \mathbb{C}), \hat{t}}|_{\mathcal{T}^*_{\tau \neq 0}(X \times \mathbb{C})}).$$

(One should think of au as being \hbar^{-1} .)

Outline



$$\begin{array}{l} \bullet \quad \frac{1}{s-H} \in \mathcal{W}^{s}_{T^{*}X} \\ \bullet \quad \exp(\frac{tH}{\hbar}) \in \mathcal{W}^{t}_{T^{*}X} \\ \bullet \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi(t) = \frac{1}{\hbar} H \Phi(t), \quad \Phi(0) = 1 \end{array}$$

The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$

Definition (\mathcal{O}_X^{\hbar})

We denote by \mathcal{O}_X^{\hbar} the filtered sheaf of **k**-algebras whose sections of order *m* on an open set $U \subset X$ are series

$$f(x,\hbar) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} f_j(x)\hbar^{-j}, \quad f_j \in \mathcal{O}_X(U),$$

satisfying:

 $\begin{cases} \text{for any compact subset } K \text{ of } U \text{ there exist positive} \\ \text{constants } C, \varepsilon \text{ such that } \sup_{K} |f_j| \leq C \varepsilon^{-j} (-j)! \text{ for all } j < 0. \end{cases}$

Let \mathbb{C}_s denote \mathbb{C} with coordinate s. Let $a \colon \mathbb{C}_s \times X \to X$ be the projection. The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$ is defined as the derived proper direct image:

Definition

 $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar} := R^1 a_! \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times X}^{\hbar}$

The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_{\chi}^{s,\hbar}$ – The convolution algebra $H^1_c(\mathbb{C}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$

- ► For a compact subset *K* of \mathbb{C} , we identify the vector space $H^1_K(\mathbb{C}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$ with the quotient space $\Gamma(\mathbb{C} \setminus K; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})/\Gamma(\mathbb{C}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$ and, if $f \in \Gamma(\mathbb{C} \setminus K; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$, we still denote by *f* its image in $H^1_K(\mathbb{C}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$ or in $H^1_c(\mathbb{C}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$.
- ► Let *K* and *L* be compact subsets of \mathbb{C} , let $f \in \Gamma(\mathbb{C} \setminus K; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$ and $g \in \Gamma(\mathbb{C} \setminus L; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}})$.
- The convolution product $f *_c g$ is given by

$$(f *_c g)(z) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\gamma} f(z - w)g(w)dw \qquad (1)$$

where γ is a counter clockwise oriented circle which contains L and |z| is chosen big enough so that z + K is outside of the disc bounded by γ .

• $(H_c^1(\mathbb{C}; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}), *_c)$ is an abelian algebra.

$$\frac{1}{z^{n+1}} *_c \frac{1}{z^{m+1}} = \frac{(n+m)!}{n!m!} \frac{1}{z^{n+m+1}}.$$

The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$

For U open, relatively compact in X, sections of order m defined on a neighborhood of \overline{U} , are described by:

$$f(s,x,\hbar) = \sum_{j\leq m} f_j(s,x)\hbar^{-j},$$

- $f_j(s, x)$ is holomorphic on $(\mathbb{C}_s \setminus K_0) \times U$, K_0 compact independent of j.
- $\forall K \subset (\mathbb{C}_s \setminus K_0) \times U$, we have canonical estimates.
- $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$ is a sheaf of filtered **k**-modules.
- ► Extend the convolution product to $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$ as follows. For two sections $f(s, x, \hbar) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} f_j(s, x) \hbar^{-j}$ and $g(s, x, \hbar) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m'} g_j(s, x) \hbar^{-j}$ of $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$, set: $\begin{cases} f(s, x, \hbar) *_c g(s, x, \hbar) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m+m'} h_j(s, x) \hbar^{-j}, \\ h_k(s, x) = \sum_{i+j=k} \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\gamma} f_i(s - w, x) g_j(w, x) dw. \end{cases}$

Theorem

The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$ has a structure of a filtered abelian **k**-algebra.

The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}$

► Locally, sections of order *m* are described by:

$$U \subset X, \quad f(t,x,\hbar) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f_j(t,x)\hbar^{-j}, \quad f_j \in \Gamma(U,\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_t \times X|_{t=0}})$$

•
$$\forall K \subset U, \exists \eta > 0$$
:

• $f_j(t,x)$ is holomorphic around $\{|t| \le \eta\} imes K$

►
$$\exists C, \varepsilon > 0$$
, $\sup_{x \in K, |t| \le \eta} |f_j(t, x)| \le C \varepsilon^{-j} (-j)!$ for all $j < 0$.
► $\exists M, R > 0$, $\sup_{x \in K} |f_j(t, x)| \le M \frac{R^{j-m}}{(j-m)!} |t|^{j-m}$, $\forall |t| \le \eta \ \forall j \ge m$.

The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}$

Facts:

$$\models \hbar^{-1} \colon \mathcal{O}^{t,\hbar}_X(m) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}^{t,\hbar}_X(m+1).$$

▶ If $f \in \mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}(m)$ and $g \in \mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}(m')$, then $fg \in \mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}(m+m')$.

Theorem

 $\mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}$ is a sheaf of abelian filtered **k**-algebras.

• The sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X^{t,\hbar}$ does not admit a formal counterpart.

Laplace transform

- ► The sheaves O^{t,ħ} and O^{s,ħ} are related by a kind of Laplace transform.
- On an open set U of X, consider a section:

$$f(s, x, \hbar) \in \Gamma((\mathbb{C}_s \setminus K) \times U; \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times X}^{\hbar}).$$

i.e.

$$f(s, x, \hbar) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} f_j(s, x) \hbar^{-j},$$

• Define the Laplace transform $\mathcal{L}(f)$ of f by

$$\mathcal{L}(f)(t,x,\hbar) = rac{1}{2i\pi}\int_{\gamma}f(s,x,\hbar)\exp(st\hbar^{-1})\;ds,$$

where γ is a counter clockwise oriented circle centered at 0 with radius $R\gg$ 0.

$$\mathcal{L}(s^{-n-1}) = \hbar^{-n}t^n/n!, \qquad \mathcal{L}(\frac{1}{s-1}) = \exp(t\hbar^{-1}).$$

Theorem

The Laplace transform induces a ${\bf k}\mbox{-linear}$ isomorphism of filtered ${\bf k}\mbox{-algebras}$

$$\mathcal{L}\colon \mathcal{O}^{s,\hbar}_X \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}^{t,\hbar}_X.$$

- ▶ Take a sequence $\{c_j\}_{j \leq 0}$ in \mathbb{C} and consider the section f of $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_X^{s,\hbar}$:

$$f(s,\hbar) = \sum_{j \leq 0} \frac{c_j}{(s-1)} \hbar^{-j}$$

▶ Then, formally, the Laplace transform of *f* is given by

$$\mathcal{L}(f)(t,\hbar) = \sum_{j\leq 0} \sum_{n\geq 0} c_j \frac{t^n}{n!} \hbar^{-n-j}$$

▶ The coefficient of \hbar^0 is $\sum_{n\geq 0} c_{-n} \frac{t^n}{n!}$, which does not converge around t = 0 in general.

The sheaf $\mathcal{W}^{s}_{T^{*}X}$

Denote by *s* the coordinate on \mathbb{C}_s . Let $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times T^*X}$ be the subsheaf of $\mathcal{W}_{T^*(\mathbb{C} \times X)}$ consisting of sections not depending on ∂_s :

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times T^*X} = \{ P \in \mathcal{W}_{T^*(\mathbb{C}_s \times X)} \mid [P, s] = 0 \}.$$

As for $\mathcal{O}_X^{s,\hbar}$, the sheaf $\mathcal{W}_{T^*X}^s$ is defined as a proper direct image of $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times T^*X}$ by the projection $a: \mathbb{C}_s \times X \to X$:

Definition

The sheaf of **k**-modules $\mathcal{W}^{s}_{T^{*}X}$ on $T^{*}X$ is given by

$$\mathcal{W}_{T^*X}^s := R^1 a_! \ \mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times T^*X}.$$

The sheaf $\mathcal{W}^{s}_{T^{*}X}$

Theorem

- (i) The sheaf W^s_{T*X} is naturally endowed with a structure of a filtered k-algebra and gr W^s_{T*X} ≃ R¹a_!O_{C_s×T*X}[ħ, ħ⁻¹].
- (ii) Consider two complex manifolds X and Y, two open subsets U_X ⊂ T*X and U_Y ⊂ T*Y and a symplectic isomorphism ψ : U_X ≃→ U_Y. Then, locally, ψ may be quantized as an isomorphism of filtered k-algebras Ψ: W^s_{T*X} ≃→ W^s_{T*Y} such that the isomorphism induced on the graded algebras coincides with the isomorphism R¹a₁O_{C_s×T*X}[ħ, ħ⁻¹] ≃→ R¹a₁O_{C_s×T*Y}[ħ, ħ⁻¹] induced by ψ.
- (iii) Assume X is affine. There is an isomorphism of filtered sheaves of k-modules (not of algebras), called the "total symbol" morphism:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \colon \mathcal{W}^{s}_{T^{*}X} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}^{s,\hbar}_{T^{*}X}.$$
(3)

The total symbol of a product is given by the Leibniz formula with a convolution product in the s variable.

The sheaf $\mathcal{W}^{s}_{T^{*}X}$

Assume X affine. For each Stein open subset W of T*X and each relatively compact open subset U ∈ W, sections of order m are described by:

$$\sigma_{\mathrm{tot}}(P)(s,x;\xi,\hbar) = \sum_{-\infty < j \le m} p_j(s,x;\xi)\hbar^{-j}$$

$$\blacktriangleright p_j \in \Gamma((\mathbb{C}_s \setminus K_0) \times U, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_s \times T^*X})$$

- ▶ p_j satisfies canonical estimates on $K \subset (\mathbb{C}_s \setminus K_0) \times U$.
- ► The symbolic calculus is given by:

$$\sigma_{
m tot}(P\circ Q) = \sum_{lpha\in\mathbb{N}^n}rac{\hbar^{|lpha|}}{lpha!}\partial^lpha_\xi\sigma_{
m tot}(P)s_c\partial^lpha_x\sigma_{
m tot}(Q).$$

The sheaf $\mathcal{W}_{T^*X}^t$

- $\mathcal{W}_{T^*X}^t$ is a filtered sheaf of **k**-algebras (algebra of exponentials).
- Locally, a section P of order m of W^t_{T*X} on a Stein open subset V of T*X and an open subset U ∈ V, σ_{tot}(P) is written as a series: σ_{tot}(P)(t, x; ξ, ħ) = ∑_{j∈Z} p_j(t, x; ξ)ħ^{-j}

$$\blacktriangleright \quad \forall K \subset U \subset T^*X, \ \exists \eta > 0:$$

• $p_j(t, x; \xi)$ is holomorphic around $\{|t| \le \eta\} \times K$

$$\exists C, \varepsilon > 0, \sup_{(x;\xi) \in K, |t| \le \eta} |p_j(t, x; \xi)| \le C \varepsilon^{-j}(-j)! \text{ for all } j < 0.$$

- ► $\exists M, R > 0, \sup_{(x;\xi) \in K} |p_j(t,x;\xi)| \le M \frac{R^{j-m}}{(j-m)!} |t|^{j-m}, \quad \forall |t| \le \eta \ \forall j \ge m.$
- Symbolic calculus: usual Leibniz product.
- $\mathcal{W}_{T^*X}^t$ contains \mathcal{W}_{T^*X} as a subalgebra.

Exponential elements

- Consider a section P of $W_{T^*X}(0)$ on an open subset U of T^*X .
- For each compact subset K of U, there exists R > 0 such that the section s P of W^s_{T*X} defined on C_s × U is invertible on (C_s \ D(0, R)) × K, (D(0, R) closed disc of radius R.)

 ¹/_{s P} defines an element of Γ(U; W^s_{T*X}).

 Expand ¹/_{s P} as ∑_{n≥0} ^{Pⁿ}/_{sⁿ⁺¹} and apply Laplace transform.

 Denote by exp(tħ⁻¹P) the image by L of ¹/_{s-P}.

Exponential elements

Theorem

For $P \in W_{T^*X}(0)$ (order 0), there is a section $\exp(t\hbar^{-1}P) \in W_{T^*X}^t$ such that, (when X is affine):

$$\sigma_{\rm tot}(\exp(t\hbar^{-1}P)) = \sum_{n\geq 0} \frac{(t\hbar^{-1}\sigma_{\rm tot}(P))^{\star n}}{n!},$$

where the star-product f^{*n} means the product given by the Leibniz formula.