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# SEMICLASSICAL EVOLUTION WITH LOW REGULARITY

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ABSTRACT. We prove semiclassical estimates for the Schrödinger-von Neumann evolution with  $C^{1,1}$  potentials and density matrices whose square root have either Wigner functions with low regularity independent of the dimension, or matrix elements between Hermite functions having long range decay. The estimates are settled in different weak topologies and apply to the  $N$  body quantum dynamics uniformly in  $N$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The semiclassical approximation links the quantum dynamics of Hamiltonian, say,  $H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2}\Delta + V(x)$  on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d, dx)$ , to the underlying classical one, namely the flow generated by the Hamiltonian  $h(p, q) = \frac{1}{2}p^2 + V(q)$  on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d} \simeq T^*\mathbf{R}^d$ . This quite indirect link, particularly efficient when the Planck constant takes small values, relies on the

presence of fast oscillations in the initial data whose speed diverges linearly in  $\hbar^{-1}$  as  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ .

To our knowledge, all results in semiclassical approximations are subjects to the following alternative:

- either no specific ansatz is made for the initial data of the quantum dynamics. In that case, under some tightness conditions of the initial data, revealing the size of oscillations, and along subsequences of values of  $\hbar$  tending to 0, the Wigner function (or equivalently the Husimi one) of the solution of the quantum evolution is shown to tend to a solution of the Liouville classical equation, with no estimate of the rate of convergence provided (see, e.g., [7, 8, 15], and also [1, 6] for an extension to potentials whose gradient has only *BV* regularity)).

Let us recall that, by quantum and classical evolution, we mean the content of the following table:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{quantum} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} i\hbar\partial_t\psi = H\psi, \quad \psi \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d,) \\ \frac{d}{dt}R = \frac{1}{i\hbar}[H, R], \quad R > 0, \text{ trace } R = 1, \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Schrödinger} \\ \text{von Neumann} \end{array} \\
 \\
 \text{classical} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{q} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_q h(p, q) \\ \partial_p h(p, q) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (p, q) \in T^*\mathbf{R}^d \\ \frac{d}{dt}\rho = \{h, \rho\}, \quad \rho > 0, \int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} \rho = 1 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Hamilton} \\ \text{Liouville} \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

- or very precise estimates of the rate of convergence are obtained after some ansatz is made on the initial quantum data (WKB, coherent states for the Schrödinger equation; various type of quantization (pseudodifferential, Weyl, Töplitz calculus) for the von Neumann equation). In this case a “quasimode” is constructed, e.g. a solution of an approximate equation, and the unitarity of the quantum flow (supposed a priori) provides a remainder estimate of order  $\hbar^{1/2}$  or  $\hbar$  in  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  or  $\mathcal{L}(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$  topology. Let us remark that, although the quasimode is constructed through the solution of the equations of the classical paradigm, the estimate of the rate of convergence is settled in the topology of the quantum one.

Let us mention also that the accuracy of the results for the von Neumann equation in the second case of the preceding alternative degrades quite rapidly when the space dimension or the number of particles involved get large. This for two reasons. First, estimating the remainder is done through the so-called Calderon-Vaillancourt Theorem, a result very regularity consuming when the total dimension, namely  $d = 3N$  in the case of  $N$  particle in three dimensions, increases. Basically  $C^{\lfloor \frac{3N}{2} \rfloor}$ -differentiability for both the potential and the initial data is required. In addition, the  $O(\hbar)$  size of the remainder is degraded by the multiplicative constant  $\gamma_d$  appearing in Calderon-Vaillancourt Theorem. We give an estimate of  $\gamma_d$  in Appendix C (Theorem C.4), as we couldn't find it elsewhere. Certainly not sharp, the result we obtain is  $\gamma_d \sim d^{9d}$ , a value larger than the inverse of the Planck constant  $\hbar = 10^{-34}$  already for  $N = 3$ .

Recently we found a way of somehow estimating directly the “distance” between quantum and classical objects. Given  $R(t)$  and  $\rho(t)$ , solutions of the von Neumann and Liouville equations respectively, we defined in [11] a positive number  $E_{\hbar}(\rho(t), R(t))$  satisfying for all time  $t$  a “Gronwall type” estimate

$$(1) \quad E_{\hbar}(\rho(t), R(t))^2 \leq e^{\max(1, 4Lip(\nabla V))t} E_{\hbar}(\rho(0), R(0))^2,$$

where  $Lip(\nabla V)$  denotes the Lipschitz constant of  $\nabla V$ . The definition of  $E_{\hbar}$  is given in Definition 3.2 below, and is a generalization of a quantum analog of the Wasserstein distance of exponent 2 introduced in [10].

Let us remark immediately that (1) is uniform in  $\hbar$  and doesn't contain any extra semiclassical error term as appearing in estimates involving quasimodes. e.g.  $O(\hbar^\infty)$ . Consistently  $E_{\hbar}(R(0), \rho(0))$  cannot vanish. In fact

$$(2) \quad E_{\hbar} \geq \frac{1}{2}d\hbar.$$

On the other side, the smallness of  $E_{\hbar}(R, \rho)$  has a true meaning thanks to the fact that it almost dominates a distance between  $\rho$  and the Husimi function of  $R$ : the following bound holds true for any  $R, \rho \geq 0$  with trace  $R = \int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} \rho dpdq = 1$ , proven in [11] Theorem 2.4 2 and recalled in Theorem 3.3 of the present paper,

$$(3) \quad \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}[R], \rho)^2 \leq E_{\hbar}(R, \rho)^2 + \frac{1}{2}d\hbar.$$

The inequality (3) was proven in [11] Theorem 2.4 2 and is recalled in Theorem 3.3 of the present paper, the definition of the Wasserstein distance  $\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}$  is recalled in (21) and  $\widetilde{W}[R]$ , the Husimi function of  $R$ , in (10).

Moreover,  $E_{\hbar}$  shares with the notion of distance the following type of triangle inequality, valid for any  $R \geq 0$ , trace  $R = 1$  and probability measures  $f, f'$ , see Lemma 3.5 in Section 3,

$$(4) \quad E_{\hbar}(f', R_{\hbar}) \leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f', f) + E_{\hbar}(f, R_{\hbar}).$$

Since the correspondence between  $R$  and  $\widetilde{W}[R]$  is one-to-one (see Section 2), formula (1) together with (2) will give an estimate for the semiclassical evolution of  $R(t)$  solution of the von Neumann equation, estimate expressed this time in the classical paradigm at the contrary of the quasimode ones. More precisely, we will get this estimates if we are able to find a probability measure  $\rho^{in}$  such that

$$(5) \quad E_{\hbar}(\rho^{in}, R(0)) = o(1) \text{ as } \hbar \rightarrow 0.$$

This task was achieved in the case where  $R(0)$  is a Töplitz operator whose symbol  $\rho$  is any probability measure on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  (see Definition in Section 2 below): for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , Theorem 2.7 in [11] (see also Section 3 of the present article) leads to

$$(6) \quad \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\rho(t), \widetilde{W}[R(t)])^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(1 + e^{\max(1, 4Lip(\nabla V)^2)t})d\hbar,$$

Note that this result, being valid for any probability measure type symbol  $\rho$  and therefore not requiring any regularity condition, is, at our knowledge, unreachable by usual Töplitz calculus proof.

The goal of the present paper is:

- (1) to get rid of the Töplitz ansatz we just mentioned
- (2) to find practical efficient conditions for quantum initial data to be semiclassically evolved by the von Neumann equation, without any need of concrete ansatz
- (3) to obtain propagation estimates of the form (6) for initial density matrices, the Wigner function of the square root of them having low regularity  $C^7$ , independently of the dimension and the number of particles.
- (4) to estimate the semiclassical propagation in some “direct” weak distances instead of in the Wasserstein-Husimi formulation of [11], namely a distance  $\delta$  between Wigner functions generated by the dual of a space of test functions, or likewise a distance  $d$  between density operators associated to the trace duality of a set of test operators (see definition above in this section).
- (5) to get semiclassical estimates uniform in the number of particles involved.

Our results will be developed on three nested levels of generality. The most general one involves the existence of a probability density, linked to the initial condition  $R^{in}$  of the von Neumann equation, satisfying explicit conditions. The second one gives a concrete realization of such a density under explicit conditions on the size of the matrix elements of  $\sqrt{R(0)}$  between (semiclassically scaled) Hermite functions. The third one shows that such conditions are satisfied by operators whose Wigner function satisfies low regularity conditions.

Each of these results will be expressed in different forms, using the distance  $\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}$  or in terms of the following ones, introduced in [9] Appendix B and studied in Appendix B.2 on the present paper.

We recall the definition for two density operators  $R$  and  $S$  and  $M > 0$ .

$$\delta_M(W_{\hbar}(R), W_{\hbar}(S)) = \sup_{\substack{f \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d}) \\ \max_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq M} \|\partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\beta f\|_{L^\infty} \leq 1}} \left| \int (W_{\hbar}(R)(x, \xi) - W_{\hbar}(S)(x, \xi)) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right|,$$

$$d_M(R, S) = \sup_{\max_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq M} \|\mathcal{D}_{-i\hbar\nabla}^\alpha \mathcal{D}_x^\beta F\|_1 \leq 1} |\text{trace}(F(R - S))| \quad \mathcal{D}_\bullet := \frac{1}{i\hbar}[\bullet, \cdot].$$

The different “distances” used in this article are nested in the following chain of inequalities (see Propositions B.6 and 3.4)

$$d_{2[d/4]+2}(R, S) \leq 2^d \delta_{2[d/4]+2}(W_{\hbar}(R), W_{\hbar}(S)) \leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(R), \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(S)) + \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\hbar} \leq E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R], S) + \left(\frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} + \frac{d}{2}\right) \sqrt{\hbar}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2[d/4]+2}(R, S) &\leq 2^d \delta_{2[d/4]+2}(W_{\hbar}(R), W_{\hbar}(S)) \\ &\leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(R), \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(S)) + \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\hbar} \leq E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R], S) + \left(\frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} + \frac{d}{2}\right) \sqrt{\hbar} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma_d$  is the constant that appears in the Calderon-Vaillancourt Theorem C.4 below.

We will use finally a last distance  $\delta$  whose definition, independent of the dimension and involving  $L^2$  test functions is the following.

$$\delta(W_{\hbar}[R], W_{\hbar}[S]) = \sup_{\substack{\text{Lip}(f) \leq 1 \\ \|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq 1}} \left| \int (W_{\hbar}[R] - W_{\hbar}[S])f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right|.$$

The series of nested links between  $\delta$ ,  $\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}$  and  $E_{\hbar}$ , this time independent of the dimension, is the following (see Section B.1 in Appendix B below).

$$\delta(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(R), \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(S)) \leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(R), \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(S)) + \sqrt{\hbar} \|W_{\hbar}[R - S]\|_{L^2} \leq \sqrt{2} E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R], S) + \sqrt{\hbar} \|W_{\hbar}[R - S]\|_{L^2}.$$

In our last main result, Theorem 8.2, the distance  $\delta$  will provide a topology for the  $N$ -body semiclassical propagation of factorized (e.g. bosonic) initial data which will be uniform in  $N$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

The three type of results mentioned earlier are expressed in Section 2 by Theorems 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 respectively, in reverse order of nesting for pedagogical purposes. Their proofs are given in Section 4 by showing that they are mostly corollaries of the three items of Theorem 4.1 proven in Sections 5, 6 and 7 respectively. Section 3 is devoted to the quantum analogue of the Wasserstein distance of exponent two and its properties. Semiclassical uniform in  $N$  estimates for the  $N$ -body quantum propagation are stated and proved in Section 8 and the three appendices A, B and C are devoted respectively to the proof of the triangle type inequality for  $E_{\hbar}$  just mentioned, the comparison of  $E_{\hbar}$  with weak topologies and an estimation of the Calderon-Vaillancourt constant.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

For any real function  $V$  of class  $C^{1,1}$  on  $\mathbf{R}^d$  such that the operator  $-\frac{1}{2}\hbar^2\Delta + V$  is essentially self-adjoint on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ , we consider the von Neumann equation

$$(7) \quad i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} R_{\hbar}(t) = [-\frac{1}{2}\hbar^2\Delta + V, R_{\hbar}(t)], \quad R_{\hbar}(0) = R^{in}$$

where the initial condition  $R^{in}$  is a *density matrix*, that is that  $R^{in}$  is positive and trace  $R^{in} = 1$ .

Obviously

$$(8) \quad R^{in} = A^2, \quad A \text{ being a positive Hilbert-Schmidt operator.}$$

Let us recall the definition of the Wigner and Husimi transforms of a density operator on  $\mathfrak{H}$  (see e.g. [15] or [10] Appendix B for a short review). If  $R$  is the density matrix of integral kernel  $r$ , its Wigner transform at scale  $\hbar$  is the function on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  defined by the formula

$$(9) \quad W_{\hbar}[R](x, \xi) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} e^{-i\xi \cdot y} r(x + \frac{1}{2}\hbar y, x - \frac{1}{2}\hbar y) dy.$$

The Husimi transform of  $R$  is

$$(10) \quad \widetilde{W}_\hbar[R] := e^{\hbar\Delta_{x,\xi}/4} W_\hbar[R]$$

and we recall that

$$\widetilde{W}_\hbar[R] \geq 0, \quad \int_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} \widetilde{W}_\hbar[R](x, \xi) dx d\xi = \int_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} W_\hbar[R](x, \xi) dx d\xi = 1.$$

In particular,  $\widetilde{W}_\hbar[R]$  is a probability density on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  for each  $R \in \mathcal{D}(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$ .

Moreover, by Remark 2.3. in [11],  $\widetilde{W}_\hbar[R]$  determines  $R$  uniquely.

We denote by  $\rho(t)$  the solution of the following Liouville equation on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  with initial condition  $\widetilde{W}[R^{in}]$ :

$$(11) \quad \dot{\rho} = \{\frac{1}{2}\xi^2 + V(x), \rho\}, \quad \rho(0) = \widetilde{W}[R^{in}]$$

We denote also by  $\Phi^t$  the Hamiltonian flow of Hamiltonian  $\frac{1}{2}p^2 + V(q)$  so that

$$(12) \quad \rho(t) = \rho(0) \circ \Phi^{-t}.$$

Moreover we define

$$\lambda = \frac{1 + \max(4Lip(\nabla V)^2, 1)}{2}.$$

Finally we define  $\mathcal{R}(t)$  as the operator whose Wigner function is  $\rho(t)$ :

$$(13) \quad W_\hbar[\mathcal{R}(t)] := \rho(t).$$

In the sequel we will denote

- by  $z = (x, \xi)$  a point in  $T^*\mathbf{R}^d$ ,
- by  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$  the set of probability densities on  $T^*\mathbf{R}^d$
- by  $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$  the set of probability densities on  $T^*\mathbf{R}^d$  with finite second moments
- by  $\mathcal{D}(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$  the set of density matrices on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$
- by  $\mathcal{D}_2(L^2(\mathbf{R}^d))$  the set of density matrices  $R$  on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  satisfying

$$\text{trace}(-\hbar^2\Delta + x^2)R < \infty.$$

For  $k = (k_1, \dots, k_d) \in \mathbf{Z}^d$  we define: the Fourier coefficients  $a_k(z)$  of a function  $a(z_1, \dots, z_d)$ ,  $l \in T^*(\mathbf{R})$  by

$$(14) \quad a_k(z) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} a(z_1 e^{ik_1\theta_1}, \dots, z_d e^{ik_d\theta_d}) e^{ik \cdot \theta} d\theta := \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} a(e^{i\theta} z) e^{ik\theta} d\theta.$$

**Definition.** For  $K, M \in \mathbf{R}^+$ ,  $N \in \mathbf{N}$ , we define on  $L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$  the norm

$$(15) \quad \|a\|_{M,K,N} := \sup_{k \in \mathbf{Z}^d} \sup_{z \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} \prod_{l=1}^d (|z_l|^2 + 1)^M (|k_l| + d)^K \sup_{|\alpha_1|, \dots, |\alpha_d| \leq N} \left| \prod_{m=1}^d (\sqrt{\hbar} D_{z_m})^{\alpha_m} a_k(z) \right|,$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $R(t)$  be the solution of the von Neumann equation (7) with initial condition  $R^{in}$  and  $\mathcal{R}(t)$  the operator whose Wigner function solves the Liouville equation (11) with initial data the Husimi function of  $R^{in}$ . Let  $\delta$  the distance defined in Definition B.1.*

Let us suppose that there exist two functions  $\mu(\hbar)$ ,  $\nu(\hbar)$  satisfying

$$\sqrt{\hbar} \mu(\hbar) = o(1), \quad \mu(\hbar) \nu(\hbar) = o(1) \quad \text{as } \hbar \rightarrow 0,$$

such that, for some  $\epsilon \in ]0, 1[$ ,

$$(1) \quad \|W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{7}{2}+3\epsilon, 3} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \mu(\hbar)$$

$$(2) \quad \hbar^{\frac{1}{2}} \|W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{5}{2}+3\epsilon, 4} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \nu(\hbar)$$

Then, for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}(t)], \rho(t)) \leq D_I e^{\lambda|t|} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\hbar} \mu(\hbar), \sqrt{\mu(\hbar) \nu(\hbar)}).$$

Moreover, if  $W[R_{\hbar}^{in}] \in L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$  for each  $\hbar \in ]0, 1[$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{[d/4]+2}(W_{\hbar}[R(t)], W_{\hbar}[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) &\leq D_I e^{\lambda|t|} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\hbar} \mu(\hbar), \sqrt{\mu(\hbar) \nu(\hbar)}) \\ &\quad + \sqrt{\hbar} \left( \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} + e^{1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|} \right) \|W_{\hbar}[R^{in}]\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \end{aligned}$$

Here  $D_I$  is given in (90).

Using (23) and taking  $\mu(\hbar) = 1$ ,  $\nu(\hbar) = \hbar^{\frac{1}{2}}$  so that  $\sqrt{\mu(\hbar) \nu(\hbar)} = \hbar^{\frac{1}{4}}$ , we derive easily the following (maybe more tractable) corollary.

**Corollary** *Let  $R_{\hbar}$  be a family of density matrices of  $L(\mathbf{R}^d)$ . Let us assume that the Wigner function  $W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}](x, \xi)$  of  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  has derivatives up to order  $\frac{13}{2} + 3\epsilon$  bounded by  $C(2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} ((\xi^2 + x^2) + d)^{-\frac{10}{4}-4\epsilon}$ ,  $C > 0$ , i.e.*

$$\sup_{|\beta_1|, \dots, |\beta_d| \leq 7} \left| \prod_{m=1}^d D_{(x, \xi)}^{\beta_m} W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}](x, \xi) \right| \leq \frac{C(2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}}}{((\xi^2 + x^2)^2 + d)^{\frac{10}{4}+3\epsilon}} \quad \forall (x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}.$$

Then there exist  $D, D'$  such that, for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}(t)], \rho(t)) \leq D \hbar^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{\lambda|t|}.$$



Moreover, if, in addition,  $\|W_{\hbar}[R^{in}]\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq C' < \infty$ , for each  $\hbar \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\delta_{[d/4]+2}(W_{\hbar}[R(t)], W_{\hbar}[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) \leq D' \hbar^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{2\lambda|t|}.$$

Let us make a few remarks concerning Theorem 2.1.

The factor  $(2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}}$  in Theorem 2.1 and its corollary might seem strange, but it is in fact natural, if we think that the Wigner function of  $(\sqrt{R^{in}})^2$  has to be the one of  $R^{in}$ , a density operator.

Indeed if we think that the Wigner function of an operator is the quotient of its Weyl symbol by  $(2\pi\hbar)^d$ , we have, using the Moyal product  $\star_{Moyal}$ , that

$$(2\pi\hbar)^d W_{\hbar}[R^{in}] = (2\pi\hbar)^d W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}] \star_{Moyal} (2\pi\hbar)^d W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]$$

so that

$$W_{\hbar}[R^{in}] = ((2\pi\hbar)^{\frac{d}{2}} W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]) \star_{Moyal} ((2\pi\hbar)^{\frac{d}{2}} W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]).$$

In order to directly implement semiclassical approximation in weak sense, other than the results presented in the introduction obtained by compactness methods without rate of convergence, one should work with Wigner or Husimi functions. But then one faces the difficulty of the non positiveness of the Wigner function. Of course, one can cure this default by using instead the Husimi function, but the Husimi function follows an evolution equation involving analyticity regularity (see [2]).

Therefore it seems to us that the only way of obtaining precise weak semiclassical results by “standard” methods consists in constructing quasimodes in strong topology, a way obviously very regularity consuming. On the contrary, the results in the present paper uses weak topology from the beginning, and allows us to obtain results requiring little regularity independent of the dimension.

Let us mention finally that we studied in [12], section 5, the pertinence of weak versus strong topologies concerning the transition between quantum and classical paradigms.

Actually the content of Theorem 2.1 is a particular case of the following more general result.

Let us define the Hermite orthonormal basis of  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  as  $\{H_j, j \in \mathbf{N}^d\}$ , i.e., for  $j = (j_1, \dots, j_d)$ ,

$$(16) \quad H_j = h_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes h_{j_d} \text{ where } (-\hbar^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + x^2)h_k = (2k+1)\hbar h_k, \quad \|h_k\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R})} = 1.$$

We will denote by  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  the scalar product in  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let us suppose that there exist two functions  $\mu'(\hbar)$ ,  $\nu'(\hbar)$  satisfying*

$$\sqrt{\hbar}\mu'(\hbar) = o(1), \quad \mu'(\hbar)\nu'(\hbar) = o(1) \text{ as } \hbar \rightarrow 0,$$

such that, for some  $\epsilon \in ]0, 1[$ ,

$$(1) |(H_i, \sqrt{R^{in}} H_j)| \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{\frac{d}{2}} \mu'(\hbar) \prod_{1 \leq l \leq d} |\hbar j_l + \frac{1}{2}|^{-\frac{3}{4}-\epsilon} (|i_l - j_l| + 1)^{-2-\epsilon},$$

$$(2) \sup_{O \in \Omega_1} |(H_i, [O, \sqrt{R^{in}}] H_j)| \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{\frac{d}{2}} \nu'(\hbar) \prod_{1 \leq l \leq d} |\hbar j_l + \frac{1}{2}|^{-\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon} (|i_l - j_l| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon},$$

where  $\Omega_1 = \{y_j, \pm \hbar \partial_{y_j} \text{ on } L^2(\mathbf{R}^d, dy), j = 1, \dots, d\}$ .

Then, for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}[R_\hbar(t)], \rho(t)) \leq D_{II} e^{\lambda|t|} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\hbar} \mu'(\hbar), \sqrt{\mu'(\hbar) \nu'(\hbar)}).$$

Moreover, if  $W[R_\hbar^{in}] \in L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$  for each  $\hbar \in ]0, 1[$ , we have

$$d_{[d/4]+2}(R(t), \mathcal{R}(t)) \leq D_{II} e^{\lambda|t|} 2^d \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\hbar} \mu'(\hbar), \sqrt{\mu'(\hbar) \nu'(\hbar)}) \\ + \sqrt{\hbar} 2^d \left( \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} + e^{1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|} \|W_\hbar[R^{in}]\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \right)$$

Here  $D_{II}$  is given in (50).

### Remark

Here also the factor  $(2\pi\hbar)^d$  is natural. For example, thanks to it, estimate (1) gives that  $\text{trace } R^{in}$  is finite.

Once again, Theorem 2.2 is also a particular case of a more general one. Let us first set up the following definition (see [10], Appendix B for further details).

**Definition [Töplitz operators]** For each  $z = x + i\xi \in \mathbf{C}^d$ , we denote

$$(17) \quad |z, \hbar\rangle : y \mapsto (\pi\hbar)^{-d/4} e^{-|y-x|^2/2\hbar} e^{i\xi \cdot (y-x)/\hbar} \quad \| |z, \hbar\rangle \|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)} = 1,$$

and we designate by  $|z, \hbar\rangle \langle z, \hbar|$  the orthogonal projection on the line  $\mathbf{C}|z, \hbar\rangle$  in  $\mathfrak{H}$ . For each Borel probability density  $\mu$  on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ , we define the Töplitz operator of symbol  $\mu$  as the operator defined weakly on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  by the formula

$$\text{OP}_\hbar^T(\mu) := \frac{1}{(2\pi\hbar)^d} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} |x + i\xi, \hbar\rangle \langle x + i\xi, \hbar| \mu(x, \xi) dx d\xi.$$

One easily shows that

$$(18) \quad \text{trace OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d \mu) = 1$$

so that  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d \mu)$  is trace class and admits an  $L^2$  spectral decomposition

$$(19) \quad \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d \mu) = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}} \mu_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|, \quad \psi_i \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d).$$

When  $F > 0$ ,  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)$  is injective, as any element  $\psi$  of its kernel would satisfy  $\langle x, \xi | \psi \rangle = 0$  for almost all  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}$  which would imply  $\psi = 0$  by completeness of

discrete families of coherent states (see [3]). So  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d\mu)^{-1/2}$  exists as a unbounded operator on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  as defined by the spectral theorem

$$(20) \quad \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}} \mu_i^{-1/2} |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|$$

on the domain  $\mathcal{D} = \{\psi \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d), \sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}} \mu_i^{-1} |\langle \psi_i | \psi \rangle|^2 < \infty\}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $R_\hbar^{\text{in}} = R^{\text{in}}$  be a family of density matrices on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  satisfying the following hypothesis*

(1) *(tightness)*

*there exists a probability density  $F > 0$  on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  satisfying  $\int (|x| + |\xi|) F(dx, d\xi) < \infty$  such that, for each  $\hbar \in (0, 1]$ ,*

$\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} \sqrt{R^{\text{in}}}$ ,  $\sqrt{R^{\text{in}}} \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}$  *have bounded extensions to  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  (we will denote by the same symbols the operators and their bounded extensions).*

(2) *(semiclassical hypothesis)*

*there exists  $\tau(\hbar) = o(1)$  as  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$  such that*

$$\sup_{O \in \Omega} \left\| \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} \sqrt{R^{\text{in}}} [O, \sqrt{R^{\text{in}}} \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}] \right\| = \tau(\hbar),$$

*where  $\Omega = \{-\hbar^2 \Delta_y + |y|^2, y_j, \pm \hbar \partial_{y_j} \text{ on } L^2(\mathbf{R}^d, dy), j = 1, \dots, d\}$ .*

*Let  $R_\hbar(t)$  the solution of the von Neumann equation (7) and  $\rho(t)$  the solution of the Liouville equation (11) on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  with initial condition  $\widetilde{W}[R^{\text{in}}]$ .*

*Then, for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ,*

$$E_\hbar(\rho(t), R(t)) \leq \frac{D_{III}}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\lambda|t|} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\tau(\hbar)})$$

*and therefore*

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_\hbar[R(t)], \rho(t)) \leq D_{III} e^{\lambda|t|} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\tau(\hbar)}),$$

*with  $D_{III}$  given by (28).*

**Remark 2.4.**

*Hypothesis (1) is not empty as  $R_\hbar := \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)$  satisfies obviously (1).*

*When the tightness bound in (1) is uniform in  $\hbar$ , (2) can be replaced by*

$$\sup_{O \in \Omega} \left\| [O, R_\hbar^{1/2} \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}] \right\| = o(1).$$

**Remark 2.5.**

*The condition (1) implies that  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} R_\hbar \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}$  is bounded.*

*Therefore, writing the spectral decomposition  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F) = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} \lambda_j |j\rangle \langle j|$ ,*

$$\langle j | R_\hbar | j \rangle = O(\lambda_j) \text{ so that } \langle j | R_\hbar | j \rangle \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } j \rightarrow \infty,$$

since  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)$  is trace class so that  $\lambda_j \rightarrow 0$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

Moreover, since  $F$  and therefore  $\text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)$  have finite moments, the eigenstates  $|j\rangle$  must be phase-space localized at infinity as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  and condition (1) reflects the lack of concentration of  $R_\hbar$  at infinity.

### 3. SEMICLASSICAL WASSERSTEIN

Let us start this section by recalling the definition of the second order Wasserstein distance  $\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}$  (see [18, 19]).

The Wasserstein distance of order two between two probability measures  $\mu, \nu$  on  $\mathbf{R}^m$  with finite second moments is defined as

$$(21) \quad \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\mu, \nu)^2 = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma(\mu, \nu)} \int_{\mathbf{R}^m \times \mathbf{R}^m} |x - y|^2 \gamma(dx, dy)$$

where  $\Gamma(\mu, \nu)$  is the set of probability measures on  $\mathbf{R}^m \times \mathbf{R}^m$  whose marginals on the two factors are  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ , i.e., for any test function  $a$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^m \times \mathbf{R}^m} a(x) \gamma(dx, dy) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^m} a(x) \mu(dx), \quad \int_{\mathbf{R}^m \times \mathbf{R}^m} a(y) \gamma(dx, dy) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^m} a(y) \nu(dy).$$

Let us define now the notion of coupling between classical and quantum densities.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $p \equiv p(x, \xi)$  be a probability density on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ , and let  $R \in \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H})$ . A coupling of  $p$  and  $R$  is a measurable function  $Q : (x, \xi) \mapsto Q(x, \xi)$  defined a.e. on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and with values in  $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{H})$  s.t.  $Q(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H})$  for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ , and

$$\begin{cases} \text{trace}(Q(x, \xi)) = p(x, \xi) \text{ for a.e. } (x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d, \\ \iint_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} Q(x, \xi) dx d\xi = R. \end{cases}$$

The set of all such functions is denoted by  $\mathcal{C}(p, R)$ .

Mimicking the definition of Monge-Kantorovich distances, we next define the pseudo-distance between  $R_\hbar$  and  $f$  in terms of an appropriate ‘‘cost function’’ analogous to the quadratic cost function used in optimal transport.

**Definition 3.2.** For each probability density  $p \equiv p(x, \xi)$  on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and each  $\rho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H})$ , we set

$$E_\hbar(p, R) := \left( \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{C}(p, R)} \int_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} \text{trace}(c_\hbar(x, \xi) Q(x, \xi)) dx d\xi \right)^{1/2} \in [0, +\infty],$$

where the transport cost  $c_\hbar$  is the function of  $(x, \xi)$  with values in the set of unbounded operators on  $\mathfrak{H} = L^2(\mathbf{R}_y^d)$  defined by the formula

$$c_\hbar(x, \xi) := \frac{1}{2}(|x - y|^2 + |\xi + i\hbar \nabla_y|^2).$$

Immediate properties of  $E_\hbar$  are stated in the following result.

**Theorem 3.3.** [from Theorem 2.4 in [11]]

(1) For each probability density  $p$  on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  such that  $\int_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} (|x|^2 + |\xi|^2) p(x, \xi) dx d\xi < \infty$  and each  $R \in \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H})$ , one has

$$E_{\hbar}(p, R)^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} d \hbar.$$

(2) Let  $R_{\hbar} = \text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d \mu)$ , where  $\mu$  is a Borel probability measure on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ . Then

$$E_{\hbar}(p, R_{\hbar})^2 \leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(p, \mu)^2 + \frac{1}{2} d \hbar.$$

(3) For each  $R \in \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H})$ , one has

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(p, \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R])^2 \leq E_{\hbar}(p, R)^2 + \frac{1}{2} d \hbar \leq 2E_{\hbar}(p, R)^2.$$

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $R$  be a Töplitz operator of symbol  $(2\pi\hbar)^d \mu$ . Then

$$E_{\hbar}(\mu, R)^2 = \frac{1}{2} d \hbar,$$

and an optimal coupling is

$$Q_0(x, \xi) := \mu(x, \xi) |x, \xi\rangle \langle x, \xi|.$$

*Proof.* the first equality follows from the items (1) and (2) in Theorem 3.3 and the second from the easy computation

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d} \text{trace}(c_{\hbar}(x, \xi) Q_0(x, \xi)) dx d\xi = \frac{1}{2} d \hbar.$$

□

We will also need the following “triangle inequality” proven in Appendix A.

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $f, g$  be two probability densities on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  and  $R$  be a density operator on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} (p^2 + q^2)(f(p, q) + g(p, q)) dp dq < \infty \text{ and } \text{trace}(-\hbar^2 \Delta + x^2) R < \infty.$$

The following inequality holds true:

$$E_{\hbar}(f, R_1) \leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g) + E_{\hbar}(g, R_1).$$

The proofs of Theorems 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 will rely extensively on Theorem 2.7 in [9], a slight improvement of Theorem 2.7 in [11] in the special case  $N = 1$ , that we recall now.

**Theorem 3.6** (Theorem 2.7 in [9]). Let  $\rho^{in}$  be a probability density on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  satisfying

$$(22) \quad \int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} (p^2 + q^2) \rho^{in}(p, q) dp dq < \infty,$$

and let  $R(t)$  and  $\rho(t)$  the solutions of the von Neumann equation (7) and the Liouville equation (11) with initial conditions  $R^{in}$  and  $\rho^{in}$  respectively. then, for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

$$E_{\hbar}(\rho(t), R(t))^2 \leq E_{\hbar}(\rho^{in}, R^{in})^2 e^{(1+\max(1, 4\text{Lip}(\nabla V)^2))|t|}.$$

Using the right inequality in item (3) of Theorem 3.3 we get the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $R_{\hbar}(t)$  and  $\rho(t)$  solve (7) and (11) respectively with initial data  $R^{in}$  and  $\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}]$  respectively. Let  $R^{in}$  satisfies*

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} (p^2 + q^2) \widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}](p, q) dpdq < \infty,$$

Then

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}(t)], \rho(t)) \leq \sqrt{2} E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}], R^{in}) e^{\Lambda|t|}.$$

#### 4. PROOFS OF THEOREMS 2.1, 2.2 AND 2.3

The conclusions of the Theorems 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 are consequences of the following theorem which is the heart of this article and whose proof will occupy Section 5, 6 and 7.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $R^{in}$  satisfy the hypothesis of Theorems 2.1, 2.2 or 2.3. Then*

- (I)  $E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R^{in}], R^{in}) \leq \frac{D_I}{\sqrt{2}} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\hbar}\mu(\hbar), \sqrt{\hbar\mu(\hbar)\nu(\hbar)})$  [case of Theorem 2.1]
- (II)  $E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R^{in}], R^{in}) \leq \frac{D_{II}}{\sqrt{2}} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\hbar}\mu'(\hbar), \sqrt{\mu'(\hbar)\nu'(\hbar)})$  [case of Theorem 2.2]
- (III)  $E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R^{in}], R^{in}) \leq \frac{D_{III}}{\sqrt{2}} \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\tau(\hbar)})$  [case of Theorem 2.3]

Here  $D_I, D_{II}, D_{III}$  are given in (90), (50), (28) respectively.

*Proof of Theorem 2.1.* Item I and Corollary 3.7 give immediately the first result in Theorem 2.1. The second result is a corollary of the first thanks to Theorem B.7.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 2.2.* Item II and Corollary 3.7 give again the first result in Theorem 4.1. The second result is a a corollary of the first thanks to Theorem B.7 and Proposition B.6.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 2.3.* Finally, item III, Corollary 3.7 and Theorem B.7 gives the statement.  $\square$

*Proof of the corollary of Theorem 2.1.*

For  $v \in \mathbf{R}$  let us define  $\{v\}$  as the smallest integer greater or equal to  $v$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** *For any  $M, K, N > 0$ , there exist  $C_1 > 0$  such that*

$$\|a\|_{M,K,N} \leq C_1 \sup_{\substack{(x,\xi) \in \mathbf{R}^{2d} \\ |\beta_1|, \dots, |\beta_d| \leq N+K}} (\xi^2 + x^2 + d)^{M+\{\frac{K}{2}\}} \prod_{m=1}^d D_{(x,\xi)}^{\beta_m} a(x, \xi)$$

*Proof.* Let us first remark that, with the definition (14),

$$(23) \quad D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a_k(z) = \int D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a(e^{it}z) P(t) e^{ikt} dt$$

for a certain trigonometric polynomial  $P$ .

We have, for  $K$  even,

$$\begin{aligned} (k_l^2 + 1)^{\frac{K}{2}} D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a_k(z) &= \int D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a(e^{it}z) P(t) (\partial_t^2 + 1)^{\frac{K}{2}} e^{ikt} dt \\ &= \int e^{ikt} (\partial_t + i)^{\frac{K}{2}} (\partial_t - i)^{\frac{K}{2}} (D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a(e^{it}z) P(t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since  $(|k_l| + 1)^K \leq (k_l^2 + 1)^{\frac{K}{2}}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup_{|\alpha_1|, \dots, |\alpha_d| \leq N} (|k_l| + d)^K \left| \prod_{m=1}^d D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a_k(z) \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{|\alpha_1|, \dots, |\alpha_d| \leq N} |(k_l^2 + 1)^{\frac{K}{2}} \prod_{m=1}^d D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a_k(z)| \\ &\leq C \prod_{n=1}^d (|z_n|^2 + 1)^{\frac{K}{2}} \sup_{|\alpha_1|, \dots, |\alpha_d| \leq N+K} \int \left| \prod_{m=1}^d D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a(e^{it}z) e^{ikt} \right| dt \\ (24) \quad &\leq 2\pi C (|z|^2 + d)^{\frac{K}{2}} \sup_{\substack{|\alpha_1|, \dots, |\alpha_d| \leq N+K \\ t \in [0, 2\pi]}} \left| \prod_{m=1}^d D_{z_m}^{\alpha_m} a(e^{it}z) \right| \end{aligned}$$

Since the family of norms  $\|\cdot\|_{M,K,N}$  is non decreasing in  $K$ , we conclude by noticing that  $\|\cdot\|_{M,K,N} \leq \|\cdot\|_{M,2\{\frac{K}{2}\},N}$ , plugging (24) in the definition (15) and define  $C_1 = 2\pi C$ .  $\square$

Using Lemma 4.2, one sees easily that when  $W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]$  satisfies the hypothesis of the Corollary of Theorem 2.1, the two hypothesis (1) and (2) of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied for  $\mu(\hbar) = 1$  and  $\nu(\hbar) = \sqrt{\hbar}$  and the conclusion follows.  $\square$

## 5. PROOF OF THEOREM 4.1 ITEM (III)

Let us start by a lemma, interesting per se.

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $f$  be a probability density on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  and  $R$  be a density operator on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  satisfying*

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^{2d}} (p^2 + q^2) f(p, q) dp dq < \infty \text{ and } \text{trace}(-\hbar^2 \Delta + x^2) R < \infty.$$

*The following inequality holds true:*

$$(25) \quad E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R], R) \leq \sqrt{E_{\hbar}(f, R)^2 + \frac{d\hbar}{2}} + E_{\hbar}(f, R) \leq (\sqrt{2} + 1) E_{\hbar}(f, R).$$

**Corollary 5.2.** *For any density operator satisfying  $\text{trace}(-\hbar^2\Delta + x^2)R < \infty$ ,*

$$E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R], R) \leq (\sqrt{2} + 1) \inf_{g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} E_{\hbar}(g, R).$$

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.3 (3),

$$\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}[R, f])^2 \leq E_{\hbar}(f, R)^2 + \frac{d\hbar}{2}$$

and (25) follows by Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.3 (1).  $\square$

**Remark 5.3.** *The meaning of Corollary 5.2 is the following: though  $\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R]$  might not be the classical density “closets” to  $R$ , it belongs to a “ball” of radius  $(\sqrt{2} + 1)$  around it.*

Let us come back to the proof of Theorem 4.1 item (III) and suppose satisfied Hypothesis 1 and 2 in Theorem 2.3 .

Let  $F$  be given by Hypothesis 1 and let us define, for each  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1$

$$F_{\epsilon}(x, \xi) = (\epsilon(x^2 + \xi^2) + 1)^{-1}F(x, \xi)$$

so that  $F_{\epsilon}$  has finite second moments.

Let  $Q_0(x, \xi) := F_{\epsilon}(x, \xi)|x, \xi\rangle\langle x, \xi|$ . By Corollary 3.4,  $Q_0$  is a minimal coupling of  $F_{\epsilon}$  and  $\text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F_{\epsilon})$ .

Let us denote  $A := \sqrt{R^{in}}$  and  $T_{F_{\epsilon}} := \text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F_{\epsilon})$ , and let

$$Q(x, \xi) = AT_{F_{\epsilon}}^{-1/2}Q_0(x, \xi)T_{F_{\epsilon}}^{-1/2}A.$$

By the hypothesis of boundedness of  $AT_{F_{\epsilon}}^{-1/2}$  and  $T_{F_{\epsilon}}^{-1/2}A$ ,  $Q$  is a coupling between  $R^{in}$  and  $f_A(x, \xi) := F_{\epsilon}(x, \xi)\langle x, \xi|T_{F_{\epsilon}}^{-1/2}A^2T_{F_{\epsilon}}^{-1/2}|x, \xi\rangle$ . Therefore, by Lemma 5.1,

$$(26) \quad E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}], R_{\hbar}) \leq \sqrt{E_{\hbar}(f_A, R_{\hbar})^2 + \frac{d\hbar}{2}} + E_{\hbar}(f_A, R_{\hbar}).$$

So the problem of estimating  $E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R^{in}, R^{in}])$  reduces to estimating  $E_{\hbar}(f_A, R_{\hbar})$ .

**Lemma 5.4.**

$$c(x, \xi)Q_0(x, \xi) = \frac{d\hbar}{2}Q_0(x, \xi).$$

*Proof.* Denoting by  $T_{x,\xi}^{\hbar}, x, \xi \in \mathbf{R}^d$  the Weyl operators acting on any function  $\psi \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  by  $T_{x,\xi}^{\hbar}\psi(y) = \psi(y - x)e^{i(\xi \cdot (y-x)/2)}$  (see e.g. [12], Section 1) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} c(x, \xi)Q_0(x, \xi) &= T(x, \xi)c(0, 0)T(x, \xi)^{-1}Q_0(x, \xi) \\ &= T(x, \xi)c(0, 0)Q_0(0, 0)T(x, \xi)^{-1} \\ &= T(x, \xi)\frac{d\hbar}{2}Q_0(0, 0)T(x, \xi)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{d\hbar}{2}Q_0(x, \xi). \end{aligned}$$

$\square$



Using Lemma 5.4, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{\hbar}(f_A, R)^2 &\leq \int dx d\xi \operatorname{trace} (c(x, \xi) Q(x, \xi)) \\
&= \int dx d\xi \operatorname{trace} \left( c(x, \xi) A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} Q_0(x, \xi) T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A \right) \\
&= \int dx d\xi \operatorname{trace} \left( A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} c(x, \xi) Q_0(x, \xi) T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A \right) \\
&+ \int dx d\xi \operatorname{trace} \left( [c(x, \xi), A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2}] Q_0(x, \xi) T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A \right) \\
&= \frac{d\hbar}{2} \int dx d\xi \operatorname{trace} Q(x, \xi) \\
&+ \int dx d\xi \operatorname{trace} \left( T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A [2\xi \cdot y + 2x \cdot \nabla_y + y^2 + \Delta_y, A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2}] Q_0(x, \xi) \right) \\
&\leq \frac{d\hbar}{2} \\
&+ \int dx d\xi \|T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A [2\xi \cdot y + 2x \cdot \nabla_y + y^2 + \Delta_y, A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2}]\| \operatorname{trace} Q_0(x, \xi) \\
&= \frac{d\hbar}{2} + \int dx d\xi \|T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A [2\xi \cdot y + 2x \cdot \nabla_y + y^2 + \Delta_y, A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2}]\| F(x, \xi) \\
&\leq \frac{d\hbar}{2} + \int (1 + |x| + |\xi|) F_\epsilon(dx, d\xi) \sum_{O \in \Omega} \|T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2} A [O, A T_{F_\epsilon}^{-1/2}]\| \\
(27) \quad &= \frac{d\hbar}{2} + \tau(\hbar) \int (1 + |x| + |\xi|) F_\epsilon(dx, d\xi).
\end{aligned}$$

We conclude by using (27) and (26):

$$E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}[R_{\hbar}], R_{\hbar}) \leq 2\sqrt{\tau(\hbar) \int (1 + |x| + |\xi|) F_\epsilon(dx, d\xi) + d\hbar} \leq 2D_{III}(F) \max(\sqrt{\hbar}, \sqrt{\tau(\hbar)}).$$

with, since  $F_\epsilon \leq F$ ,

$$(28) \quad D_{III}(F) = 2 \max\left(\sqrt{\int (1 + |x| + |\xi|) F(dx, d\xi)}, \sqrt{d}\right).$$

## 6. PROOF OF THEOREM 4.1 ITEM (II)

We first notice the following elementary result.

**Lemma 6.1.** *Let  $\rho(\hbar), \tau'(\hbar)$  be two functions such that  $\rho(\hbar)\tau'(\hbar) = o(1)$  as  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ , and let  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  satisfy the two following hypothesis*

$$(1') \quad \|T_F^{-1/2} \sqrt{R^{in}}\|, \|\sqrt{R^{in}} T_F^{-1/2}\| \leq \rho(\hbar)$$

$$(2') \quad \sup_{O \in \Omega} \|[O, \sqrt{R^{in}} T_F^{-1/2}]\| \leq \tau'(\hbar).$$

Then (1) and (2) in Theorem 2.3 hold true with

$$\tau(\hbar) = \rho(\hbar)\tau'(\hbar).$$

By Lemma 6.1, Theorem 4.1 item (II) is a consequence of the following result.

**Proposition 6.2.** *Let us suppose that  $R_{\hbar}$  satisfies the hypothesis of Theorem 2.2 for some  $\mu', \nu', \epsilon$ . Then  $R_{\hbar}$  satisfies (1') and (2') for any function  $F$  of the form  $F(z_1, \dots, z_d) = f(x_1^2 + \xi_1^2) \dots f(x_d^2 + \xi_d^2)$  with  $f$  satisfying (33) below and  $\rho$  and  $\tau'$  are given respectively by (42) and (48).*

*Proof.* The proof of Proposition 6.2 is split in three steps. We will first realize in Section 6.1  $T_F^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ , for  $F$  satisfying (33) below, as an operator diagonal on the Hermite basis. This will simplify the computation of the matrix elements and therefore the norms of the operators arising in the hypothesis (1)' and (2)' in Lemma 6.1 out of the estimates of the matrix elements provided by hypothesis (1) and (2) in Theorem 2.2, in Sections 6.2 and 6.3 respectively.

**6.1. Construction of  $T_F^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ .** Let us take  $F$  in the form  $F = f(x_1^2 + \xi_1^2) \dots f(x_d^2 + \xi_d^2)$ . In other words, calling  $h_0(x, \xi) = (\xi^2 + x^2)/2$  defined on  $T^*(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $F = f(h_0)^{\otimes d}$ . It is easy to see that, since  $|x, \xi\rangle\langle x, \xi|$  is invariant by conjugation by the quantum flow of the harmonic oscillator,  $\text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)$  is also invariant by conjugation by the quantum flow of one dimensional harmonic oscillators  $\mathcal{H}_0$ .

Therefore  $\text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F) = G(\mathcal{H}_0)^{\otimes d}$  for some  $G$  and, by (16) and after denoting  $I = (1, \dots, 1) \in \mathbf{N}^d$ ,

$$\text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F) = (2\pi\hbar)^d \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}^d} G^{\otimes d}((j + \frac{1}{2}I)\hbar) |H_j\rangle\langle H_j| = \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} (2\pi\hbar) G(j\hbar) |h_j\rangle\langle h_j| \right)^{\otimes d}.$$

When there is no confusion we will drop the notation  $I$  and write for any  $j \in \mathbf{N}^d$ ,

$$j + \frac{1}{2}I = j + \frac{1}{2}.$$

$G$  can be evaluated on the spectrum of  $\mathcal{H}_0$  by the following argument: let  $z' \in \mathbf{C}$ ,  $j \in \mathbf{N}$  and  $|z', \hbar\rangle$  be defined by (17). By a simple computation using the generating function of the Hermite polynomials (see Section 7.1) we easily find that

$$(29) \quad \langle z' | h_j \rangle = \frac{z'^j}{\sqrt{j! \hbar^j}} e^{-\frac{|z'|^2}{2\hbar}},$$

so that

$$(30) \quad \langle z'|z \rangle = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} \langle z'|h_j \rangle \langle h_j|z \rangle = e^{\frac{z'\bar{z}}{\hbar}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar}} e^{-\frac{|z'|^2}{2\hbar}},$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} G((j+1/2)\hbar) \langle z'|h_j \rangle &= \langle z'|G(\mathcal{H}_0)|h_j \rangle = \langle z'|OP_{\hbar}^T(f(h_0))|h_j \rangle \\ \text{(by (29))} &= \int \langle z'|f(z\bar{z})|z \rangle \frac{\bar{z}^j}{\sqrt{j!\hbar^j}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar}} dz d\bar{z} / (2\pi\hbar) \\ &= \int f(z\bar{z}) \langle z'|z \rangle \frac{\bar{z}^j}{\sqrt{j!\hbar^j}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar}} dz d\bar{z} / (2\pi\hbar) \\ \text{(by (30))} &= \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{z'^j}{\sqrt{j!\hbar^j}} e^{-\frac{|z'|^2}{2\hbar}} \int_0^\infty f(\rho^2) \frac{\rho^{2j}}{j!\hbar^j} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho \\ \text{(by (29) again)} &= \langle z'|h_j \rangle \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^\infty f(\rho^2) \frac{\rho^{2j}}{j!\hbar^j} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$(31) \quad G((j+1/2)\hbar) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^+} f(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^j}{j!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho,$$

In particular, since  $0 \neq f \geq 0$ ,  $G((j+1/2)\hbar) > 0$ . Therefore  $OP_{\hbar}^T(F)^{-1/2}$  can be defined as an unbounded operator by

$$(32) \quad OP_{\hbar}^T(((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}|h_j \rangle) = (((2\pi\hbar)G)^{-1/2})^{\otimes d}((j+1/2)\hbar)|h_j \rangle, \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N}^d.$$

**Remark 6.3.** Note that, when  $f \in C^2(\mathbf{R})$ , the stationary phase lemma gives that  $G(A) \sim f(A)$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ ,  $(j+1/2)\hbar \rightarrow A < \infty$ . Moreover, (31) can be inverted by

$$\hbar \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} G((j+1/2)\hbar) (1-\lambda)^j = \mathbb{L}(f)(\lambda),$$

where  $\mathbb{L}$  is the Laplace transform.

Note also that  $G$  is bounded since  $(\rho^2/\hbar)^j e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \leq j^j e^{-j} \leq j!$  and  $f$  is integrable, in fact  $G \leq 1/\hbar$ .

Note finally that the Gaussian case is explicitly computable.

**Lemma 6.4.** Let us suppose there exist  $\nu > \frac{3}{2}$ , and  $C_1, C_0 > 0$  such that,

$$(33) \quad \begin{cases} -2C_0(\rho^2+1)^{-\nu-1} \leq f'(\rho^2) \leq 0 \\ C_1(\rho^2+1)^{-\nu} \leq f(\rho^2). \end{cases}$$

Then, for all  $A \in \mathbf{R}^+$

$$(34) \quad C'(A+1)^{-\nu} \leq G(A)$$

where  $C'$  is given by (36) below.

Moreover

$$(35) \quad \begin{aligned} G((j + 1/2)\hbar) - G((j + 3/2)\hbar) &= -\hbar \int_0^\infty f'(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho \\ &\leq 4^{\nu+1} \hbar C_0 (j\hbar + 1/2)^{-(\nu+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the condition on  $\nu$  is compatible with the finiteness of  $\int (|x| + |\xi|) F(dx, d\xi)$ .

*Proof.* We first remark that  $C_1(\rho^2 + 1)^{-\nu}$  implies that, for all  $\alpha > 0$  and  $C = C_1(\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha})^\nu$ .

$$\begin{aligned} C\rho^{-2\nu} &\leq f(\rho^2), & \rho^2 &\geq \alpha \\ C_1 &\leq f(\rho^2). & \rho^2 &< \alpha \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f > 0$  we have, for  $j \geq \nu$ , by (33)

$$\begin{aligned} G((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar) &\geq \int_\alpha^\infty f(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^j}{j!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} d(\rho^2/2) \\ &\geq \int_\alpha^\infty \frac{C}{\hbar^\nu j(j-1)\dots(j-\nu+1)} \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j-\nu}}{(j-\nu)!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} d(\rho^2/2) \\ &\geq C(j\hbar)^{-\nu} \left(1 - \int_0^{\frac{\alpha}{\hbar}} \frac{x^{j-\nu} e^{-x}}{(j-\nu)!} dx\right) \\ j' = j - \nu &\geq C(j\hbar)^{-\nu} \left(1 - (\alpha/\hbar)^{j'} (j')^{-j'} e^{j'} \int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx\right) \\ &\geq C(j\hbar)^{-\nu} \left(1 - e^{j'(1+\log \frac{\alpha}{j\hbar})}\right) \\ &\geq C(j\hbar)^{-\nu} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e}\right) \text{ for } j\hbar \geq e\alpha + \nu\hbar. \\ &\geq C \frac{e-1}{e} \left((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1\right)^{-\nu} \end{aligned}$$

For  $j = 0$  we have that

$$G(\hbar/2) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^+} f(\lambda) e^{-\frac{\lambda}{\hbar}} \frac{d\lambda}{\hbar} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(\hbar\lambda) e^{-\lambda} d\lambda \geq \frac{C_1}{2e} := C''$$

For  $0 < A := j\hbar \leq e\alpha + \nu\hbar$ , we get, since,  $j! \leq \sqrt{2\pi}j^j\sqrt{j}e^{-j}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
G((j+1/2)\hbar) = G(A + \hbar/2) &\geq \frac{e^{\frac{A}{\hbar}}}{2K\sqrt{A}} \int_{\mathbf{R}^+} f(\lambda) e^{-\frac{\lambda - A \log(\frac{\lambda}{A})}{\hbar}} \frac{d\lambda}{\sqrt{\hbar}} \\
&\geq \frac{e^{\frac{A}{\hbar}}}{2\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{A}} \int_{A-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\hbar A}}^{A+\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\hbar A}} f(\lambda) e^{-\frac{\lambda - A \log(\frac{\lambda}{A})}{\hbar}} \frac{d\lambda}{\sqrt{\hbar}} \\
(\text{since } \log(1+x) - x &\geq -\frac{1}{2}x^2) &\geq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{+\frac{1}{2}} f(A + \sqrt{\hbar A}\mu) e^{-\frac{\mu^2}{2}} d\mu \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \inf_{-\frac{1}{2} \leq \mu \leq +\frac{1}{2}} f(A + \sqrt{\hbar A}\mu) \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{\mu^2}{2}} d\mu \\
&\geq \frac{C_1 e^{-\frac{1}{8}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} := C''' > 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore (34) holds true if we define

$$(36) \quad C' = \inf(C, C'', C''') = C_1/2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}}.$$

Moreover, by integration by part,

$$\begin{aligned}
G((j+1/2)\hbar) &= - \int_0^\infty \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!\hbar} \frac{d}{d(\frac{\rho^2}{\hbar})} (f(\rho^2) e^{-\rho^2/\hbar}) \rho d\rho \\
&= \int_0^\infty f(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho \\
&\quad - \int_0^\infty \hbar f'(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho
\end{aligned}$$

This proves the first part of (35).

For  $0 < \eta < \infty$  we decompose the middle term in (35) in two parts. Since by the inequality of (33),  $-f'(\rho^2) \leq 2C_0$ , we first compute

$$- \int_0^{\sqrt{\eta}} \hbar f'(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho \leq \hbar C_0 \int_0^{\eta/\hbar} \frac{(\lambda)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!} e^{-\lambda} d\lambda \leq \hbar C_0$$

Using the first inequality of (33) we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
-\int_{\sqrt{\eta}}^{\infty} \hbar f'(\rho^2) \frac{(\rho^2/\hbar)^{j+1}}{(j+1)!\hbar} e^{-\rho^2/\hbar} \rho d\rho &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\eta}^{\infty} f'(\lambda') \frac{e^{-\frac{\lambda' - j\hbar \log \lambda'}{\hbar}}}{\hbar^{j+1}(j+1)!} d\lambda' \\
&= -\frac{\hbar}{2} \int_0^{\infty} f'(\hbar\lambda) \frac{\lambda^{j+1}}{(j+1)!} e^{-\lambda} d\lambda \\
&\leq \hbar C_0 \int_0^{\infty} (\lambda\hbar + 1)^{-(\nu+1)} \frac{\lambda^{j+1}}{(j+1)!} e^{-\lambda} d\lambda \\
&\leq \hbar C_0 \int_0^{\infty} \min\left(\frac{\hbar^{-(\nu+1)}}{(j+1)j(j-1)(j-2)!}, \frac{\lambda^{j-\nu}}{(j+1)!}\right) e^{-\lambda} d\lambda \\
&\leq \hbar C_0 \min((\hbar(j - (\nu - 1)))^{-(\nu+1)}, 1) \\
&\leq \hbar C_0 2^{\nu+1} (\hbar(j - (\nu - 1)) + 1)^{-(\nu+1)} \\
&\leq 4^{\nu+1} \hbar C_0 (j\hbar + \frac{1}{2})^{-(\nu+1)}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Let us summarize what has been done in this section: out of any  $F = f^{\otimes d}$  where  $f$  satisfies condition (33), we have defined  $\text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}$  by the formula

$$\text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} = (2\pi\hbar)^{-d/2} \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}^d} g^{\otimes d}((j + 1/2)\hbar) |H_j\rangle \langle H_j|,$$

in the sense that

$$(37) \quad \langle H_j | \text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} |H_i\rangle = (2\pi\hbar)^{-d/2} \delta_{i,j} g^{\otimes d}((j + 1/2)\hbar)$$

where  $g$  satisfies, for all  $A \in \mathbf{R}^+$ ,

$$(38) \quad g(A) \leq (C')^{-\frac{1}{2}} (A + 1)^{\frac{\nu}{2}},$$

$$(39) \quad g^{-2}((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar) - g^{-2}((j + \frac{3}{2})\hbar) \leq 4^{\nu+1} \hbar C_0 (A + \frac{1}{2})^{-(\nu+1)}$$

for  $C, C_0$  defined in (33) and  $C'$  in (36).

From now on, we will suppose that  $f$  satisfies (33) for some  $\nu > \frac{3}{2}$ .

## 6.2. Hypothesis (1) in Theorem 2.2 $\implies$ (1') in Lemma 6.1.

Condition (1') is easily checkable by the control of the decay of  $\langle H_{j+k} | \sqrt{R^{in}} |H_j\rangle$  as both  $j$  and  $|k| \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let us recall that, [5], the operator norm of any operator  $B$ , satisfies

$$(40) \quad \|B\| \leq \max\left(\sup_j \sum_{j'} \langle j' | B |j\rangle, \sup_{j'} \sum_j \langle j' | B |j\rangle\right)$$

In our case  $B = \sqrt{R^{in}} \text{OP}_{\hbar}^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2}$  so that, after taking  $\nu = \frac{3}{2} + 2\epsilon$ ,  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1$ , (say) in (37),

$$\langle j + k | B |j\rangle = (2\pi\hbar)^{-d/2} \langle j + k | \sqrt{R^{in}} |j\rangle g^{\otimes d}((j + 1/2)\hbar)$$

with  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  self-adjoint and  $g$  satisfying (38).

Therefore, one has, under the condition (1) in Theorem 2.2,

$$\langle j' | \sqrt{R^{in}} \text{OP}_\hbar^T((2\pi\hbar)^d F)^{-1/2} | j \rangle \leq (C')^{-\frac{d}{2}} \mu'(\hbar) \prod_{1 \leq l \leq d} (|j_l - j'_l| + 1)^{-\frac{3}{2} - \epsilon}$$

Since

$$\sum_{j'_l=0}^{\infty} (|j_l - j'_l| + 1)^{-\frac{3}{2} - \epsilon} = \sum_{j_l=0}^{\infty} (|j_l - j'_l| + 1)^{-\frac{3}{2} - \epsilon} \leq 1,$$

and  $C' = C_1/(2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}})$ , (40) gives

$$(41) \quad \|\sqrt{R^{in}} \text{OP}_\hbar^T(F)^{-1/2}\| \leq (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} e^{\frac{d}{16}} C_1^{-\frac{d}{2}} \mu'(\hbar)$$

Therefore, the tightness condition (1') in Proposition 6.2 is satisfied with

$$(42) \quad \rho(\hbar) = (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} e^{\frac{d}{16}} C_1^{-\frac{d}{2}} \mu'(\hbar).$$

### 6.3. Hypothesis (1) and (2) in Theorem 2.2 $\implies$ (2') in Lemma 6.1.

In order to prove the semiclassical condition (2'), we first remark that

$$(43) \quad [O, \sqrt{R^{in}} T_F^{-1/2}] = \sqrt{R^{in}} [O, T_F^{-1/2}] + [O, \sqrt{R^{in}}] T_F^{-1/2}.$$

The second term of the right hand side is treated exactly the same way as for (1'):

- for  $O = H_l = -\hbar^2 \nabla_l^2 + x_l^2$  we first note that

$$\langle j' | [H_l, \sqrt{R^{in}}] | j \rangle = (j'_l - j_l) \hbar \langle j' | \sqrt{R^{in}} | j \rangle,$$

so that, by (1) in Theorem 2.2,

$$|\langle j' | [H_l, \sqrt{R^{in}}] T_F^{-\frac{1}{2}} | j \rangle| \leq C'^{-d} \hbar \mu'(\hbar) \prod_{1 \leq l \leq d} (|j_l - j'_l| + 1)^{-1 - \epsilon}.$$

Since  $\prod_{1 \leq l \leq d} (|j_l - j'_l| + 1)^{-1 - \epsilon} \leq 2/\epsilon$  and  $C' = C_1/(2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}})$ , we get, by (40),

$$(44) \quad \|[H_l, \sqrt{R^{in}}] T_F^{-\frac{1}{2}}\| \leq (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} e^{\frac{d}{16}} (C_1 \epsilon^2)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \hbar \mu'(\hbar).$$

- for  $O \neq H_l$ , (2) in Theorem 2.2 gives precisely by the same argument

$$(45) \quad \|[O, \sqrt{R^{in}}] T_F^{-\frac{1}{2}}\| \leq (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} e^{\frac{d}{16}} (C_1 \epsilon^2)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \nu'(\hbar).$$

For the first term in the right hand-side of (43), let us start with  $O_l = x_l + \hbar \partial_{x_l}$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, d$ , and let us remember that  $O_l H_j = \sqrt{(j_l + 1)\hbar} H_{j+1_l}$  and  $O_l^* H_j = \sqrt{j_l \hbar} H_{j-1_l}$ , as easily computable.

Defining  $1_l \in \mathbf{N}^d$  by  $(1_l)_k = \delta_{k,l}$ ,  $k, l = 1, \dots, d$ , one has, with  $A := \sqrt{R^{in}}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle H_i | A[O_l, T^{-1/2}] | H_j \rangle \\ &= (g^{\otimes d}((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar) - g^{\otimes d}((j + 1_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)) (\sqrt{(j_l + 1)\hbar} \langle H_i | A | H_{j+1_l} \rangle) \end{aligned}$$

so that (remember  $g = G^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ )

(46)

$$\begin{aligned} & |\langle H_{j+k} | A[O_l, T^{-1/2}] | H_j \rangle| \leq \\ & |G((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2} - G((j_l + \frac{3}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2}| \sqrt{(j_l + 1)\hbar} ((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon} (|k_l - 1| + 1)^{-2-\epsilon} \\ & \times \mu'(\hbar) \prod_{m \neq l} |g(j_m + \frac{1}{2})\hbar| ((j_m + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon} (|k_m| + 1)^{-2-\epsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

- the second factor in the right hand-side of (46), namely

$$C \prod_{m \neq l} |G(j_m + \frac{1}{2})\hbar| ((j_m + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon} (|k_m| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon},$$

will gives again, aa for the derivation of (41) by Lemma 40, a contribution to  $\|A[O, T^{-1/2}]\|$  bounded by  $\mu'(\hbar)(2\pi)^{d-1} e^{\frac{d-1}{8}} C_1^{-(d-1)}$ .

- for the estimate of the first factor in the right hand-side of (46),

$$\begin{aligned} & |G((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2} - G((j_l + \frac{3}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2}| \sqrt{(j_l + 1)\hbar} ((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}-\epsilon} (|k_l - 1| + 1)^{-2-\epsilon} \\ & \leq |G((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2} - G((j_l + \frac{3}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2}| ((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-\epsilon} (|k_l - 1| + 1)^{-2-\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

we first remark that, since  $f' \leq 0$  and (35) holds true, one can extend  $G$  to  $\mathbf{R}^+$  with  $G'(x) \leq 0$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^+$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & |G((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2} - G((j_l + \frac{3}{2})\hbar)^{-1/2}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left| \int_0^{\hbar} G'((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \lambda) G((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \lambda)^{-\frac{3}{2}} d\lambda \right| \\ & \text{(since } G' \leq 0 \leq G) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sup_{0 \leq \lambda \leq \hbar} (G((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \lambda)^{-\frac{3}{2}}) |G((j + \frac{3}{2})\hbar) - G((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sup_{0 \leq \lambda \leq \hbar} (g((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \lambda)^3) |G((j + \frac{3}{2})\hbar) - G((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)| \\ & \text{(by (34) and (35))} \leq 4^{\nu+1} \hbar C_0 (2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1)^{-\frac{3}{2}} (j\hbar + 1/2)^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Recalling that  $\nu = \frac{3}{2} + 2\epsilon$  we get that the first factor in the right hand-side of (43) is bounded by

$$4^{\nu+1} \hbar C_0 (|k_l - 1| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon} = 4^{\nu+1} \hbar C_0 (2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1)^{-\frac{3}{2}} (|(j+k)_l - j_l - 1| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon}$$

Therefore, it gives a contribution to  $\|A[O, T^{-1/2}]\|$ , by (40) again, bounded by  $8\hbar C_0$ .

Putting together the two contributions of (46), we get that

$$(47) \quad \|A[O, T^{-1/2}]\| \leq 4^{\nu+1} C_0 (2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1)^{-\frac{d}{2}-1} \hbar \mu'(\hbar).$$

The term with  $O_l^* = x_l - \partial_{x_l} = (x_l + \partial_{x_l})$  is done the same way.



Putting together (44), (45) and (47), we get the semiclassical condition (2') in Proposition 6.2 with

$$(48) \quad \tau'(\hbar) = (2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1)^{-\frac{d}{2}-1} (4^{\nu+1} C_0 + 2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1 \epsilon^{-d}) \sup(\hbar \mu'(\hbar), \nu'(\hbar)).$$

so that, by (42), Theorem 4.1 item (II) is a consequence of item (III) with

$$\tau(\hbar) = \rho(\hbar) \tau'(\hbar) = (2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1)^{-d-1} (4^{\nu+1} C_0 + 2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1 \epsilon^{-d}) \sup(\hbar \mu'(\hbar)^2, \nu'(\hbar) \mu'(\hbar))$$

Taking  $f(\rho^2) = C_1(1 + \rho^2)^{-2-2\epsilon}$  with  $2\pi e^{\frac{1}{8}} C_1 \leq 1$  leads to

$$(49) \quad \tau(\hbar) \leq (4^6(2 + \epsilon) + \epsilon^{-d}) \sup(\hbar \mu'(\hbar)^2, \nu'(\hbar) \mu'(\hbar))$$

Therefore item *II*) is proven for

$$(50) \quad D_{II} = (4^6(2 + \epsilon) + \epsilon^{-d}) D_{III}$$

□

## 7. PROOF OF THEOREM 4.1 ITEM (I)

In order to prove Theorem 4.1 item (I) as a corollary of item (II), we need to estimate, under the hypothesis (1) and (2) of Theorem 2.1, the matrix elements of  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  and  $[O, \sqrt{R^{in}}]$ ,  $O \in \Omega_1$ , between semiclassical Hermite functions, uniformly in  $\hbar$ . We will carry out this computation out of their Wigner transform, or equivalently their Weyl symbols (which we recall to be their Wigner functions multiplied by  $(2\pi\hbar)^d$ ).

Of course no exact formula for these matrix elements exists, and WKB expansions involve unsatisfactory (for our purpose) remainder terms. Nevertheless, there exist explicit formulas for  $H_j$  expressed in terms of coherent states, which, together with a formulation of Weyl calculus involving Wigner operators (see below,) will allow to conclude. The proof is a bit involved, and we split it in several steps.

### 7.1. Hermite as exact Gaussian quasimodes.

We first take  $d = 1$ .

From the formula for the generating function of the Hermite polynomials  $\{h_n^p\}_{n=0,\dots}$ , namely

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n^p(x) \frac{z^n}{n!} = e^{2xt-t^2}, \quad \|h_n^p\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}, e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx)} = \pi^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{2^n n!}$$

valid for all  $z \in \mathbf{C}$ , we get easily that the normalized eigenfunctions of the harmonic oscillator  $h_j, j = 0, \dots$  satisfy

$$(51) \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} h_j(x) \frac{\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{\hbar}}\right)^j e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar}}}{\sqrt{j!}} = (\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{4}} e^{-\frac{z^2 - 2\sqrt{2}zx + x^2}{2\hbar}} e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar}} := g^z(x).$$

Note that  $\|g^z\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}, dx)} = 1$ .

We get that, for any choice of  $z \in \mathbf{C}, z \neq 0$ ,

$$(2\pi)^{-\frac{3}{4}} \sqrt{\frac{|z|}{\sqrt{\hbar}}} \int_0^{2\pi} g^{e^{it}z} e^{-ijt} dt = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{|z|^2}{\hbar}\right)^j e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{\hbar}} \sqrt{2\pi \frac{|z|^2}{\hbar}}}{j!}} h_j$$

so that

$$(52) \quad \begin{aligned} h_j &= \sqrt{\frac{j!}{\left(\frac{|z|^2}{\hbar}\right)^j e^{-\frac{|z|^2}{\hbar}} \sqrt{2\pi \frac{|z|^2}{\hbar}}}} (2\pi)^{-\frac{3}{4}} \sqrt{\frac{|z|}{\sqrt{\hbar}}} \int_0^{2\pi} g^{e^{it}z} e^{-ijt} dt \\ &:= C_j(z) (2\pi)^{-\frac{3}{4}} \sqrt{\frac{|z|}{\sqrt{\hbar}}} \int_0^{2\pi} g^{e^{it}z} e^{-ijt} dt \end{aligned}$$

for all  $z \neq 0 \in \mathbf{C}$ . In particular, taking now  $|z|^2 = (j + 1/2)\hbar$ ,

$$\bar{C}_j := C_j(\sqrt{(j + 1/2)\hbar}) = \sqrt{\frac{j!}{\sqrt{2\pi j} j^j e^{-j}}} < 1 \text{ and } \sim 1 \text{ as } j \rightarrow \infty,$$

since  $\sqrt{2\pi(j + 1/2)}(j + 1/2)^j e^{-(j+1/2)} > \sqrt{2\pi j} j^j e^{-j}$  and  $\sqrt{2\pi(j + 1/2)}(j + 1/2)^j e^{-(j+1/2)} \sim \sqrt{2\pi j} j^j e^{-j}$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

The same way,

$$h_{j'} = C_{j'}(\sqrt{(j' + 1/2)\hbar}) (2\pi)^{-3/4} (j' + 1/2)^{1/4} \int_0^{2\pi} g^{e^{i\theta} \sqrt{(j'+1/2)\hbar}} e^{-ij'\theta} d\theta,$$

$$\text{but also } h_{j'} = C_{j'}(\sqrt{(j + 1/2)\hbar}) (2\pi)^{-3/4} (j + 1/2)^{1/4} \int_0^{2\pi} g^{e^{i\theta} \sqrt{(j+1/2)\hbar}} e^{-ij'\theta} d\theta.$$

$$\text{Therefore } h_{j'} \sim \sqrt{\frac{j'!}{j!}} (2\pi)^{-3/4} (j + 1/2)^{j-j'+1/4} \int_0^{2\pi} g^{e^{i\theta} \sqrt{(j+1/2)\hbar}} e^{-ij'\theta} d\theta,$$

since  $\sqrt{2\pi j} j^j e^{-j} \sim \sqrt{2\pi(j + 1/2)} j^j e^{-(j+1/2)}$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

Therefore, for any bounded operator  $A$ ,

$$\langle j' | A | j \rangle = \frac{\bar{C}_j \bar{C}_{j'}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{e}}} (j + 1/2)^{1/4} (j' + 1/2)^{1/4} \int_0^{2\pi} ds' \int_0^{2\pi} ds e^{i(j's' - js)} (g^{e^{is'} \sqrt{j'\hbar}}, Ag^{e^{is} \sqrt{j\hbar}}).$$

but also

$$\langle j' | A | j \rangle = \frac{\bar{C}_j C_{j'}(\sqrt{(j + 1/2)\hbar})}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{e}}} (j + 1/2)^{1/2} \int_0^{2\pi} ds' \int_0^{2\pi} ds e^{i(j's' - js)} (g^{e^{is'} \sqrt{j'\hbar}}, Ag^{e^{is} \sqrt{j\hbar}}).$$

Here we have used the Dirac notation, and  $\langle j' | A | j \rangle$  is meant for  $(h_{j'}, Ah_j)_{L^2(\mathbf{R}, dx)}$ .

In particular,

$$(53) \quad |\langle j' | A | j \rangle| \leq \frac{(j+1/2)^{1/4} (j'+1/2)^{1/4}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \left| \int_{\mathbf{T}^2} ds' ds e^{i(j's' - js)} (g^{e^{is'} \sqrt{(j'+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}, Ag^{e^{is} \sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}) \right|.$$

but also

$$(54) \quad \begin{aligned} |\langle j' | A | j \rangle| &\leq (2\pi)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{j'!}{j!}} (j+1/2)^{j-j'+1} \left| \int_{\mathbf{T}^2} ds' ds e^{i(j's' - js)} (g^{e^{is'} \sqrt{(j'+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}, Ag^{e^{is} \sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{e^{\frac{(j-j')^2}{j+1/2}} (j+1/2)^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \left| \int_{\mathbf{T}^2} ds' ds e^{i(j's' - js)} (g^{e^{is'} \sqrt{(j'+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}, Ag^{e^{is} \sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}) \right| \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, if  $j' = j + k$ ,  $k \geq 0$  (the case  $k < 0$  is done the same way),

$$\frac{j'!}{j!} (j+1/2)^{j-j'} \leq \frac{(j+1/2+k)^k}{(j+1/2)^k} \leq \left(1 + \frac{k}{j+1/2}\right)^k \leq e^{\frac{k^2}{j+1/2}}$$

We'll estimate later  $|\langle j' | A | j \rangle|$  by (54) for  $e^{\frac{(j-j')^2}{j+1/2}} \leq 1$  and by (53) for  $e^{\frac{(j-j')^2}{2}} > 1$ .

The extension to the  $d$ -dimensional case is straightforward, by tensorial factorization.

**7.2. Weyl calculus through Wigner operators.** Let us suppose now that  $A$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator of Wigner function  $a \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ . Note that this is to say that, in a weak sense,

$$(55) \quad A = \int_{\mathbf{C}^d} d^2z a(z) W(-z) IW(z) := \text{Wig}(a)$$

where the Wigner operators  $W(z)$  are the unitary operators on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  defined through (denoting  $z = (q, p)$ )

$$W(q, p) f(x) = f(x - q) e^{-i\frac{px}{\hbar}} e^{-i\frac{pq}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad I f(x) = f(-x).$$

Indeed the integral kernel of  $W(-z)IW(z)$  is  $\delta(-x - 2q - y) e^{i\frac{p(2x - q)}{\hbar}}$  so that the integral kernel of  $A = \int_{\mathbf{C}^d} d^2z a(z) W(-z) IW(z)$  is

$$\rho_A(x, y) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) e^{i\frac{\xi(x-y)}{\hbar}} d\xi$$

which is the well-known Weyl quantization formula expressed on the Wigner function (let us recall that the latter is nothing but the Weyl symbol divided by  $(2\pi\hbar)^d$ ).

We get easily that

$$\begin{aligned} (g^{z'}, W(-z_0)IW(z_0)g^z) &= e^{\frac{\bar{z}z_0 - z_0z}{\sqrt{2}\hbar}} e^{-\frac{\bar{z}'(z+\sqrt{2}z_0)}{\hbar}} e^{-\frac{|z'|}{2\hbar}} e^{-\frac{|z+\sqrt{2}z_0|}{2\hbar}} \\ &= e^{-\frac{|z'|^2}{2\hbar} - \frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar} - \frac{|z_0|^2}{\hbar} - \frac{\bar{z}'z}{\hbar} - \sqrt{2}\frac{\bar{z}'z_0 + zz_0}{\hbar}}. \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$(g^{z'}, W(-\frac{z_0}{\sqrt{2}})IW(\frac{z_0}{\sqrt{2}})g^z) = e^{-\frac{|z'|^2}{2\hbar} - \frac{|z|^2}{2\hbar} - \frac{|z_0|^2}{2\hbar} - \frac{\bar{z}'z}{\hbar} - \frac{\bar{z}'z_0 + z\bar{z}_0}{\hbar}}$$

Note that

$$\Re\left(\frac{|z'|^2}{2} + \frac{|z|^2}{2} + \frac{|z_0|^2}{2} + \bar{z}'z + \bar{z}'z_0 + z\bar{z}_0\right) = |z' + z + z_0|^2 \geq 0.$$

For  $d = 1$  we get that (53) becomes

$$(56) \quad |\langle j' | A | j \rangle| \leq \frac{(j + 1/2)^{1/4} (j' + 1/2)^{1/4}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} B_{j,j'}$$

$$(57) \quad B_{j,j'} := \left| \int_{S^1} d\theta' \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} d^2z \int_{S^1} d\theta a\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{2}}\right) e^{-\frac{\phi_{j,j'}(z, \bar{z}, \theta, \theta')}{\hbar}} \right) e^{i(j'-j)\theta'} \right|$$

$$(58) \quad \phi_{j,j'}(z, \bar{z}, \theta, \theta') := \frac{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}{2} + \frac{(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}{2} + \frac{z\bar{z}}{2} + \sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i(\theta - \theta')} \\ + \bar{z}\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i\theta} + z\sqrt{(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{-i\theta'} + ij\hbar(\theta - \theta').$$

and (54) becomes

$$(59) \quad |\langle j' | A | j \rangle| \leq \frac{e^{\frac{(j-j')^2}{j+1/2}} (j + 1/2)^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} A_{j,j'}$$

$$(60) \quad A_{j,j'} := \left| \int_{S^1} d\theta' \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} d^2z \int_{S^1} d\theta a\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{2}}\right) e^{-\frac{\phi_j(z, \bar{z}, \theta, \theta')}{\hbar}} \right) e^{i(j'-j)\theta'} \right|$$

$$(61) \quad \phi_j(z, \bar{z}, \theta, \theta') := (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \frac{z\bar{z}}{2} + (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar e^{i(\theta - \theta')} \\ + \bar{z}\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i\theta} + z\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{-i\theta'} + ij\hbar(\theta - \theta').$$

Performing in (57) and (60) first the change of variable  $z \rightarrow ze^{i\theta'}$  and then the one  $\theta \rightarrow \theta + \theta'$  we get easily that, after definition (14)

$$(62) \quad B_{j,j'} = \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} d^2z \int_{S^1} d\theta a_{j-j'}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{2}}\right) e^{-\frac{\Phi_{j,j'}(z, \bar{z}, \theta)}{\hbar}} \right|$$

$$(63) \quad A_{j,j'} = \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} d^2z \int_{S^1} d\theta a_{j-j'}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{2}}\right) e^{-\frac{\Phi_j(z, \bar{z}, \theta)}{\hbar}} \right|$$

$$(64) \quad \text{with } \Phi_{j,j'}(z, \bar{z}, \theta) := \frac{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}{2} + \frac{(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}{2} + \frac{z\bar{z}}{2} + \sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i\theta} \\ + \bar{z}\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i\theta} + z\sqrt{(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} + ij\hbar\theta$$

$$(65) \quad \text{and } \Phi_j(z, \bar{z}, \theta) := \Phi_{j,j}(z, \bar{z}, \theta) = (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \frac{z\bar{z}}{2} + (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar e^{i\theta} \\ + \bar{z}\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i\theta} + z\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} + ij\hbar\theta.$$

Let us recall that

$$(66) \quad \Re \Phi_{j,j'}(z, \bar{z}, \theta) = \left| \sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} e^{i\theta} + \sqrt{(j' + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} + z \right|^2 \geq 0$$

so that, since  $\Phi_j = \Phi_{j,j}$ ,

$$(67) \quad A_{j,j'}, B_{j,j'} \leq \frac{(2\pi)^3 \hbar}{2} \|a_{j-j'}\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}.$$

Since  $\Phi_{j,j'}^d$  is a sum of one dimensional contributions, we will treat the one dimensional case. The (straightforward) extension to  $d$  dimensions will be done in the next section.

### 7.3. The case $d = 1$ .

Note that for  $d = 1$ , (15) reads, for any  $K, M \in \mathbf{R}^+$ ,  $N \in \mathbf{N}$

$$(68) \quad \sup_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq N} |\hbar^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} D_z^\alpha a_k(z)| \leq \|a\|_{M,K,N} (|z|^2 + 1)^{-M} (|k| + 1)^{-K}$$

7.3.1. *Matrix elements estimates.* In this section is to prove the following crucial result.

**Proposition 7.1.** *Let  $A$  by a Hilbert-Schmidt operator (say).*

*Then for all  $M, \alpha, \tau, \mu, n \geq 0$ ,*

$$(69) \quad |\langle j' | A | j \rangle| \leq D_{\mu,n} \frac{2\pi \hbar \|W_\hbar[A]\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,n}}{\left| |j' - j| + \frac{1}{2} \right|^{\min(1+\alpha+\epsilon, 1+\epsilon+\tau)} \left( (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \frac{1}{2} \right)^{\min(\frac{\tau-\alpha-1}{2}, \mu - \frac{3}{2}, M, \frac{n-1}{2})}}.$$

where  $D_{\mu,n}$  is given below by (84).

*Proof.* The desired estimates of  $|\langle j' | A | j \rangle|$ , expressed as in (53), that is (56) or (59), will be obtained by different methods, depending on the size of  $|j' - j|$ .

- (1) for  $|j' - j|^2 > j + \frac{1}{2}$ , we will use (57) and (62), together with (67), to estimate  $|\langle j' | A | j \rangle|$ .
- (2) for  $|j' - j|^2 \leq j + \frac{1}{2}$ , we will use (60) and (63): we will perform a smooth partition of the domain of integration in  $|z|$  in the integral present in the expression  $A_{j',j}$  in (63).
  - (a) for  $|z| \geq \frac{5}{2} \sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}$ , the decay given by the negative imaginary part of the phase will be enough.
  - (b) for  $\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar} \leq |z| \leq 3\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}$ , we will have two cases:
    - (i)  $|j' - j| > 0$ , the desired estimates will be obtained by brutal estimate of the integral of  $|a_{j'-j}|$  on the domain.
    - (ii)  $j + j'$ , the stationary phase lemma applied to the integral on the domain will give the needed estimate.
  - (c) for  $|z| \leq \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}$ , the non stationary phase Lemma will apply and give the result.

Note that since  $A$  is self-adjoint, one can restrict to the case  $j' \leq j$  without loss of generality.

(1) Suppose  $|j' - j|^2 > j$ . By (57), (62) and (67) we get for any  $\alpha$

$$\begin{aligned}
|\langle j' | A | j \rangle| &\leq \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \hbar}{2} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{1/4} (j' + \frac{1}{2})^{1/4} \|a_{j-j'}\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \\
&\leq \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \hbar}{2} \|a\|_{M, 1+\tau+\epsilon, N} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{1/4} (j' + \frac{1}{2})^{1/4} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} \\
&\leq \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \hbar}{2} \|a\|_{M, 1+\tau+\epsilon, N} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{1/2} ((|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\alpha-\epsilon} (\sqrt{j} + 1)^{-\tau+\alpha}) \\
&\leq \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \hbar}{2} \|a\|_{M, 1+\tau+\epsilon, N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\alpha-\epsilon} (j + 1)^{-(\tau-\alpha-1)/2} \\
(70) \quad &\leq \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} \hbar}{2} \|a\|_{M, 1+\tau+\epsilon, N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\alpha-\epsilon} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \frac{1}{2})^{-(\tau-\alpha-1)/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

(2) We now consider the case  $|j' - j|^2 \leq j + \frac{1}{2}$ . We will use (60) which becomes

$$(71) \quad |\langle j' | A | j \rangle| \leq \frac{(j + 1/2)^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} A_{j, j'}$$

We first perform a change of variable  $z \rightarrow ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{1/2} z$  in the integral inside the definition of  $A_{j, j'}$  in (60). We get

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{j, j'} &= \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} d^2 z \int_{S^1} d\theta a_{j-j'} \left( \frac{z}{\sqrt{2}} \right) e^{-\frac{\Phi_j(z, \bar{z}, \theta')}{\hbar}} \right| \\
(72) \quad &= (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^2} d^2 z \int_{S^1} d\theta a_{j-j'} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}{\sqrt{2}} z \right) e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})\frac{\Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta)}{\hbar}} \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$(73) \quad \Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta) = 1 + \frac{z\bar{z}}{2} + e^{i\theta} + \bar{z}e^{i\theta} + z + i\theta.$$

We first perform a smooth decomposition of the identity  $1 = \chi^{\leq} + \chi^{\text{=}} + \chi^{\geq}$ , such that,

$$(74) \quad \begin{cases} \sup \chi^{\leq} = \{z, |z| \leq \frac{3}{2}\} \\ \sup \chi^{\text{=}} = \{z, 1 \leq |z| \leq 3\} \\ \sup \chi^{\geq} = \{z, |z| \geq \frac{5}{2}\} \end{cases}$$

and decompose  $a_{j-j'}$  in three terms  $a_{j-j'}^\bullet$ ,  $\bullet \in \{\leq, =, \geq\}$ :

$$a_{j-j'}^\bullet \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}{\sqrt{2}} z \right) := \chi^\bullet(z) a_{j-j'} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}{\sqrt{2}} z \right).$$

Note that, since the  $\chi^\bullet$  are smooth and constant for  $|z| \geq 3$ ,

$$(75) \quad |D_z^\alpha a_{j-j'}^\bullet(\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})}\hbar z}{\sqrt{2}})| \leq C_{\chi,|\alpha|} \sum_{|\beta| \leq |\alpha|} |D_z^\beta a_{j-j'}^\bullet(\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})}\hbar z}{\sqrt{2}})|$$

with

$$(76) \quad C_{\chi,|\alpha|} = 2^{|\alpha|} \sum_{\substack{\bullet \in \{\leq, =, \geq\} \\ |\beta| \leq |\alpha|}} \|D_z^\beta \chi^\bullet\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^2)}.$$

Of course,  $C_{\chi,0} = 1$ .

(a)  $\bullet = \geq$ .

By (66),  $\Re\Phi(z, \bar{z}\theta, \theta') \geq \frac{1}{4}$  for  $z$  in the support of  $a_{j-j'}^\geq$ , the latter gives a contribution to  $A_{j,j'}$  (which is linear in  $a$ ) in (63) equal to

$$\begin{aligned} A_{j,j'}^\geq &\leq 2(2\pi)^2(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \|a_{j-j'}^\geq\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \int_{|z| \geq \frac{5}{2}} e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})|z+e^{i\theta}+e^{-i\theta'}|^2} dz d\bar{z} d\theta d\theta' \\ &\leq 2(2\pi)^2(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \|a_{j-j'}^\geq\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})/4} \int_{|z| \geq \frac{5}{2}} e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})(|z+e^{i\theta}+e^{-i\theta'}|^2-\frac{1}{4})} dz d\bar{z} d\theta d\theta' \\ &\leq 2(2\pi)^2(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \|a_{j-j'}^\geq\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})/4} \int_{|z| \geq \frac{5}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(|z+e^{i\theta}+e^{-i\theta'}|^2-\frac{1}{4})} dz d\bar{z} d\theta d\theta' \\ &\leq 2(2\pi)^2(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \|a_{j-j'}^\geq\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})/4} (2\pi)^2 \int_{\mathbf{C}} e^{\frac{1}{8}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(|z|^2)} dz d\bar{z} \\ &\leq 2(2\pi)^5 e^{\frac{1}{8}} (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j-j'|+1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})/4}. \end{aligned}$$

so that, by (68) again,

$$(77) \quad \begin{aligned} |\langle j' | \text{Wig}(a^\geq) | j \rangle| &\leq 2(2\pi)^{\frac{7}{2}} e^{\frac{1}{8}} \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j-j'|+1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-\frac{j+\frac{1}{2}}{4}} \\ &\leq 2(2\pi)^{\frac{7}{2}} e^{\frac{1}{8}} (\frac{4\mu}{e})^\mu \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j'-j|+1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{3}{2}-\mu} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\mu > \frac{1}{2}$ .

(b)  $\bullet = =$

We will use the stationary phase Lemma for estimating  $A_{j,j}^\equiv$  given by (63).

We get

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_z \Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta) &= \frac{\bar{z}}{2} + 1 \\ \partial_{\bar{z}} \Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta) &= \frac{z}{2} + e^{i\theta} \\ \partial_\theta \Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta) &= i(e^{i\theta} + \bar{z}e^{i\theta} + 1), \end{aligned}$$

so that the critical point of  $\Phi$  is at  $\theta = 0, z = -2$  and, at the critical point,

$$\Phi = 0, \quad d^2\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \det(d^2\Phi) = -1/4.$$

The stationary phase Lemma (with quadratic phase) gives immediately that, as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  (independently of  $\hbar$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} A_{j,j}^{\bar{=}} &\leq \frac{2}{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar}{(j + \frac{1}{2})^{3/2}} \left( |a_{j'-j}^{\bar{=}}(\sqrt{2(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar})| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{16} \frac{1}{j + \frac{1}{2}} \sup_{\substack{|\alpha|=2 \\ 1 \leq |z| \leq 3}} |D_z^\alpha a_{j'-j}^{\bar{=}}(\sqrt{\frac{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}{2}}z)| \right), \\ &\leq \frac{2}{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}} (1 + \frac{C_{X,2}}{4}) \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-M} \end{aligned}$$

since, by (75),

$$\begin{aligned} &|D_z^\alpha a_{j'-j}^{\bar{=}}(\sqrt{\frac{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}{2}}z)| \\ &\leq C_{X,|\alpha|} \sum_{|\beta| \leq |\alpha|} |D_z^\beta a_{j-j'}(\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}z}{\sqrt{2}})| \\ &\leq C_{X,|\alpha|} \sum_{|\beta| \leq |\alpha|} (\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}{\sqrt{2}})^{|\beta|} |((\sqrt{\hbar}D_z)^\beta a_{j-j'}) (\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}z}{\sqrt{2}})| \\ &\leq C_{X,|\alpha|} 2^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} \sum_{|\beta| \leq |\alpha|} (\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}}{\sqrt{2}})^{|\beta|} |((\sqrt{\hbar}D_z)^\beta a_{j-j'}) (\frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar}z}{\sqrt{2}})| \\ (78) \quad &\leq C_{X,|\alpha|} 2^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar |z|^2 + 1)^{-M} \\ &\leq C_{X,|\alpha|} 2^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{|\alpha|}{2}} \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-M}, \quad |z| \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have use the fact that  $\sqrt{j + \frac{1}{2}} \leq 2(j + \frac{1}{2}), j = 0, 1, \dots$

Therefore, by (68),

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle j' | \text{Wig}(a^{\bar{=}}) | j \rangle| &\leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{2}{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}} (1 + \frac{C_{X,2}}{4}) \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-M} \\ (79) \quad &\leq \frac{1 + \frac{C_{X,2}}{4}}{\sqrt{2}\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}} \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + 1)^{-M} \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $\bullet = \leq$



Finally, we will estimate the contribution given by  $a_{j-j'}^{\leq}$ , by first estimating the integral  $\int d^2 z a_{j-j'}^{\leq} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})\Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta)}$  pointwise in  $\theta$  by the non-stationary phase method. Indeed,

$$(80) \quad \partial_z \Phi = \frac{\bar{z}}{2} + e^{-i\theta'}$$

$$(81) \quad \partial_{\bar{z}} \Phi = \frac{z}{2} + e^{i\theta}.$$

Therefore, for  $z \in \text{supp } a_{j-j'}^{\leq}$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq |D_z \Phi| \leq \frac{7}{2}.$$

Using now that

$$e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})\Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta)} = \frac{1}{j + \frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{|D_z \Phi|^2} D_z \Phi \cdot D_z e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})\Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta)}$$

Let

$$D_\Phi := D_z \cdot (D_z \Phi) |D_z \Phi|^{-2} = (|D_z \Phi|^{-2} D_z \Phi \cdot D_z)^*.$$

We get by integration by part that, for any  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A_{j,j'} &\leq (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar (j + \frac{1}{2})^{-n} \left| \int D_\Phi^n \left( a_{j-j'}^{\leq} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})\Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta)} d^2 z d\theta \right| \\ &\leq (j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar \frac{2\pi}{(j + \frac{1}{2})^n} \sup_{\substack{|z| \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ (\theta, \theta') \in \mathbf{T}^2}} \left| D_\Phi^n \left( a_{j-j'}^{\leq} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \right| \int e^{-(j+\frac{1}{2})\Re \Phi(z, \bar{z}, \theta, \theta')} d^2 z. \end{aligned}$$

One has

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup_{\substack{|z| \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ (\theta, \theta') \in \mathbf{T}^2}} \left| D_\Phi^n \left( a_{j-j'}^{\leq} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \right| \\ &\leq 2^n \sup_{\substack{|z| \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ (\theta, \theta') \in \mathbf{T}^2}} \sup_{|\beta|+k \leq n} |D^\beta \left( \frac{\Phi(z)}{|D_z \Phi(z)|^2} \right)^k| \sum_{|\alpha| \leq n} \left| D_z^\alpha \left( a_{j-j'}^{\leq} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \right| \\ &\leq 2^n C_\Phi \sum_{|\alpha| \leq n} \left| D_z^\alpha \left( a_{j-j'}^{\leq} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \right| \\ &\leq 2^n C_\Phi C_{\chi, n} 2^{\frac{n}{2}} (j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{n}{2}} \|a\|_{M, 1+\epsilon+\tau, N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} \end{aligned}$$

by (78).

We have used  $(j + \frac{1}{2})^k \leq 2^n (j + \frac{1}{2})^n$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq n$  and define

$$(82) \quad C_\Phi = \sup_{\substack{|z| \leq \frac{3}{2} \\ (\theta, \theta') \in \mathbf{T}^2}} \sup_{|\beta|+k \leq n} |D^\beta \left( \frac{\Phi(z)}{|D_z \Phi(z)|^2} \right)^k| \leq \dots$$

Therefore

$$A_{j,j'} \leq 2^{\frac{3}{2}n} C_{\Phi} C_{\chi,n} \frac{2\pi^2}{(j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{n}{2}}} \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau},$$

so that, for by (59),

$$\begin{aligned} (83) \quad & |\langle j' | \text{Wig}(a_{j'-j}^{\leq}) | j \rangle| \\ & \leq \frac{2^{\frac{3}{2}n}}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} C_{\Phi} C_{\chi,n} \frac{2\pi^2}{(j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{n-1}{2}}} \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} \\ & \leq C_{\Phi} C_{\chi,n} \frac{2^{\frac{3}{2}(n-1)} \pi^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(j + \frac{1}{2})^{\frac{n-1}{2}}} \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} \\ & \leq 2^{\frac{n-1}{2}} C_{\Phi} C_{\chi,n} \hbar \|a\|_{M,1+\epsilon+\tau,N} (|j - j'| + 1)^{-1-\epsilon-\tau} ((j + \frac{1}{2}) + 1)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Adding the estimates given by (70), (77), (79) and (83), we get (69) with

$$(84) \quad 2\pi D_{\mu,n} = \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2}}{2} + 2(2\pi)^{\frac{7}{2}} e^{\frac{1}{8}} (4\mu)^{\mu} e^{-\mu} + \frac{1 + \frac{C_{\chi,2}}{4}}{\sqrt{2\pi^3}} + 2^{\frac{n-1}{2}} C_{\Phi} C_{\chi,n}.$$

□

### 7.3.2. Hypothesis 1 in Theorem 2.1 $\implies$ Condition 1 in Theorem 2.2.

By Proposition 7.1  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  satisfies the hypothesis (1) in Theorem 2.2 as soon as

$$\min(1 + \alpha + \epsilon, 1 + \epsilon + \tau) = 2 + \epsilon, \quad \min\left(\frac{\tau - \alpha - 1}{2}, \mu - \frac{3}{2}, M, \frac{n-1}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{4} + \epsilon,$$

that is

$$\alpha = 1, \quad \tau = \frac{7}{2} + 2\epsilon, \quad \mu = \frac{9}{4} + \epsilon, \quad M = \frac{3}{4} + \epsilon, \quad n = 3$$

and

$$(85) \quad \|W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{7}{2}+3\epsilon, 3} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu'(\hbar)}{D_{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 3}} := (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mu(\hbar)$$

### 7.3.3. Hypothesis 2 in Theorem 2.1 $\implies$ Condition 2 in Theorem 2.2.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} W_{\hbar}[[x, \sqrt{R^{in}}]](q, p) &= i\hbar \partial_p W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}](q, p) \\ W_{\hbar}[-i\hbar \nabla, \sqrt{R^{in}}]](q, p) &= -i\hbar \partial_q W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}](q, p), \end{aligned}$$

we get by Proposition 7.1, that the hypothesis (2) in Theorem 2.2 is satisfied as soon as

$$(86) \quad \hbar \|\nabla W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{5}{2}+3\epsilon, 3} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\nu'(\hbar)}{D_{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 3}}$$

It is easy to check that, by the definition (15) of  $\|a\|_{M,K,N}$

$$\|\nabla a\|_{M,K,N} \leq \hbar^{-\frac{1}{2}} 2^K \|a\|_{M,K,N+1}.$$

Indeed, let us do the computation in the  $z, \bar{z}$  variables. We have

$$|(\partial_z a)_k| = |\partial_z a_{k+1}|$$

so that, since  $|k - 1| + 1 \leq |k| + 2 = 2(|k|/2 + 1) \leq 2(|k| + 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_z a\|_{M,K,N} &= \sup_{z \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} (|z|^2 + 1)^M (|k| + 1)^K \sup_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq N} |(\sqrt{\hbar}D)^\alpha \partial_z a_{k(z)+1}| \\ &\leq \sup_{z \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} (|z|^2 + 1)^M (|k - 1| + 1)^K \sup_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq N} |(\sqrt{\hbar}D)^\alpha \partial_z a_k(z)| \\ &\leq 2^K \hbar^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sup_{z \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}} (|z|^2 + 1)^M (|k| + 1)^K \sup_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq N+1} |(\sqrt{\hbar}D)^\alpha a_k(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

The term  $\partial_z a$  is obtained the same way.

Therefore (86) is satisfied as soon as

$$(87) \quad \hbar^{\frac{1}{2}} \|W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{5}{2}+3\epsilon, 4} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\nu'(\hbar)}{2^{\frac{5}{2}+3\epsilon} D_{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 4}} := (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \nu(\hbar)$$

**7.4. The case of any dimension  $d$ .** Let us perform the change of variable  $z_l \rightarrow ((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{\frac{1}{2}} z_l$  and decompose  $a = \sum a^{\pm \bullet_1, \dots, \pm \bullet_d}$ ,  $\bullet_l \in \{\leq, =, \geq\}$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, d$ , where

$$a_{j-j'}^{\pm \bullet_1, \dots, \pm \bullet_d} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) := \prod_{l=1}^d \chi^{\bullet_l}(z_l) \chi_{\mathbf{N}}(\pm((j_l - j'_l)^2 - j_l)) a_{j-j'} \left( \frac{\sqrt{(j+\frac{1}{2})\hbar z}}{\sqrt{2}} \right),$$

where  $\chi^{\bullet}$  is defined in (74),  $\chi_{\mathbf{N}}$  is the characteristic function on  $\mathbf{N}$  and, by abuse of notation,

$$\sqrt{(j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar z} := (\sqrt{(j_1 + \frac{1}{2})\hbar z_1}, \dots, \sqrt{(j_d + \frac{1}{2})\hbar z_d}).$$

$\langle j | \text{Wig}(a_{j-j'}^{\pm \bullet_1, \dots, \pm \bullet_d}) | j' \rangle$  will involve  $d$  integrations in the variable  $z_1, \dots, z_d$ .

- (1) For each  $l$  such that the sign of  $\bullet_l$  is positive, we will have  $(j_l - j'_l)^2 \geq j_l$  so that the argument of the case (1) in the preceding section apply (after a inverse change of variable  $z_l \rightarrow ((j_l + \frac{1}{2})\hbar)^{-\frac{1}{2}} z_l$ ).
- (2) For each of the other variables  $z_k$ , the integral will be reduced to the domain of  $\chi^{\bullet_k}$  and can be treated as in the cases (a), (b), (c) of the preceding section.
- (3) Combining in each dimension the different points (1), (2) (a), (2) (b) and (2) (c) of the proof of Proposition 7.1 in Section 7.3.1, we realize easily that (69) becomes in dimension  $d$

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle j' | \text{Wig}(a_{j-j'} | j \rangle| &\leq (D_{\mu, n} \hbar)^d 2^{(M+K)d} \\ &\times \|a_{j-j'}\|_{M, 1+\epsilon+\tau, n} \| |j' - j| + \frac{1}{2} \|^{\min(1+\alpha+\epsilon, 1+\epsilon+\tau)} ((j + \frac{1}{2})\hbar + \frac{1}{2})^{-\min(\frac{\tau-\alpha-1}{2}, \mu-\frac{3}{2}, M, \frac{n-1}{2})}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  satisfies the hypothesis (1) in Theorem 2.2 as soon as

$$(88) \quad \|W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{7}{2}+3\epsilon, 3} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \frac{\mu'(\hbar)}{D_{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 3}} = (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \mu(\hbar)$$

By the same argument, hypothesis (2) in Theorem 2.2 is satisfied as soon as

$$(89) \quad \hbar^{\frac{1}{2}} \|W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]\|_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, \frac{5}{2}+3\epsilon, 4} \leq (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \frac{\nu'(\hbar)}{2^{\frac{5}{2}+3\epsilon} D_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, 4}^{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 4}} = (2\pi\hbar)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \nu(\hbar)$$

### 7.5. End of the proof of item (I) in Theorem 4.1.

We just proved that hypothesis (1) and (2) in Theorem 2.1 imply conditions (62) and (63) in Theorem 2.2 for

$$\mu'(\hbar) = D_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, 3}^{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 3} \mu(\hbar), \quad \nu'(\hbar) = D_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, 4}^{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 4} \nu(\hbar).$$

Therefore, by item (II), item I holds true for

$$(90) \quad D_I = D_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, 4}^{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 4} D_{II}$$

since  $D_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, 4}^{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 4} > D_{\frac{3}{4}+\epsilon, 3}^{\frac{9}{4}+\epsilon, 3} > 1$ .

## 8. THE CASE OF $N$ PARTICLES

As it was already mentioned, a peculiar feature of Theorem 3.6 compared to usual semiclassical/microlocal methods is the fact that it provides an upper bound of a quantity at time  $t$  linear in the same quantity at time  $t = 0$ , without any extra remainder term to estimate. We will use this fact in the case of an  $N$ -body problem with factorized initial data through the use of the following result.

**Lemma 8.1.** *Let  $R_1, \dots, R_N$  be  $N$  density matrices on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$  and let  $f_1, \dots, f_N$  be  $N$  probability densities on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$ . Let us denote*

$$(91) \quad \begin{aligned} R &= R_1 \otimes \dots \otimes R_N \\ f(X, \Xi) &= f_1(x_1, \xi_1) \dots f_N(x_N, \xi_N), \quad X = (x_1, \dots, x_N), \chi = (\xi_1 \dots \xi_N). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$E_{\hbar}(f, R)^2 \leq E_{\hbar}(f_1, R_1)^2 + \dots + E_{\hbar}(f_N, R_N)^2.$$

*Proof.* Let

$$\Pi(X, \Xi) = \pi_1^{op}(x_1, \xi_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \pi_N^{op}(x_N, \xi_N),$$

where  $\pi_i^{op}$  is an optimal coupling of  $f_i$  and  $R_i$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\Pi$  is a coupling of  $f$  and  $R$  and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\hbar}(f, R)^2 &\leq \int \text{trace } c_N(X, \Xi) \Pi(X, \Xi) dX d\Xi \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \int \text{trace } (c(x_i, \xi_i) dx_i d\xi_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N E_{\hbar}(f_i, R_i)^2. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 8.1 suggests to multiply  $E_{\hbar}(f, R)^2$  by  $\frac{1}{N}$  in the situation involving  $N$  particles. Likewise we will divide  $\text{dist}_{\text{MK}, 2}^2$  by  $N$  as it is customary, and the square of the distance  $\delta$  as well.

We will consider, as in [11], Section 2.3, the quantum evolution of interacting  $N$  particles through the following von Neumann equation.

$$(92) \quad i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} R_N(t) = [-\frac{1}{2}\hbar^2 \Delta_N + V_N, R_N(t)], \quad R_N(0) = R_N^{in}$$

with the factorized initial condition

$$(93) \quad R_N^{in} = (R^{in})^{\otimes N}$$

where  $R^{in}$  is a density matrix on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)$ .

In (92),  $\Delta_N$  is the Laplacien on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^{Nd})$  and

$$(94) \quad V_N(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i < j} V(x_i - x_j), \quad V \in C^{1,1}(\mathbf{R}^d), \quad V \text{ even}, \quad V(0) = 0.$$

Under these conditions on  $V$ , the  $N$ -body dynamics is well defined (see [11], Section 2.3).

We denote by  $\rho_N(t)$  the solution of the corresponding Liouville equation on  $\mathbf{R}^{2d}$  with initial condition  $\widetilde{W}[R_N^{in}] = (W[R^{in}])^{\otimes N}$ :

$$(95) \quad \dot{\rho}_N = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i^2 + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i < j} V(x_i - x_j), \rho_N \right\}, \quad \rho(0) = \widetilde{W}[R^{in}],$$

and  $\Phi_N^t$  the Hamiltonian flow of Hamiltonian  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N p_i^2 + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i < j} V(q_i - q_j)$  so that

$$(96) \quad \rho_N(t) = \rho(0) \circ \Phi_N^{-t}.$$

Moreover we define again

$$\lambda = \frac{1 + \max(4Lip(\nabla V)^2, 1)}{2}.$$

**Theorem 8.2.** *Let either  $W_{\hbar}[\sqrt{R^{in}}]$  satisfy the hypothesis of Theorem 2.1, or  $\sqrt{R^{in}}$  satisfy the hypothesis of Theorem 2.2 or Theorem 2.3. Let us suppose for simplicity that  $\mu(\hbar) = \mu'(\hbar) = 1$ ,  $\nu(\hbar) = \nu'(\hbar) = \hbar$  (the general case is straightforward to state). Then*

$$\frac{1}{N} \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R_N(t)], \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R_N^{in}] \circ \Phi_N^{-t})^2 \leq C e^{\lambda|t|\hbar},$$

where  $C$  is independent of  $N$ .

Moreover, if  $\|W_{\hbar}[R^{in}]\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq C' < 1$ , uniformly in  $\hbar$ , that is to say  $\|R^{in}\|_2 \leq C(2\pi\hbar)^d$ , then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \delta(W_{\hbar}[R(t)], W_{\hbar}[R^{in}]^{\otimes N} \circ \Phi_N^{-t}) \leq C'' \sqrt{\hbar} (e^{\lambda|t|} + 2e^{1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|}) \frac{C^N}{\sqrt{N}}$$

where  $C''$  is independent of  $N$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.7 in [11] in the case  $n = N$  we know that, by Lemma 8.1,

$$\frac{1}{N}E(\widetilde{W}_h[R_N^{in} \circ \Phi_N(t)], R_N(t))^2 \leq e^{\lambda|t|} \frac{1}{N}E(\widetilde{W}_h[R_N^{in}], R_N^{in})^2 \leq e^{\lambda|t|} E(\widetilde{W}_h[R^{in}], R^{in})^2.$$

Theorem 3.3, (3) and Theorem 4.1, *I – III*, give then the first inequality of Theorem 8.2.

Theorem B.4 gives directly the second one.  $\square$

## APPENDIX A. PROOF OF THE TRIANGLE INEQUALITY

In this section, we prove Theorem 3.5.

The proof makes use of some inequalities between the (classical and/or quantum) transportation cost operators. We begin with an elementary, but useful lemma, which can be viewed as the Peter-Paul inequality for operators.

**Lemma A.1.** *Let  $T, S$  be unbounded self-adjoint operators on  $\mathfrak{H} = L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , with domains  $\text{Dom}(T)$  and  $\text{Dom}(S)$  respectively such that  $\text{Dom}(T) \cap \text{Dom}(S)$  is dense in  $\mathfrak{H}$ . Then, for all  $\alpha > 0$ , one has*

$$\langle v|TS + ST|v \rangle \leq \alpha \langle v|T^2|v \rangle + \frac{1}{\alpha} \langle v|S^2|v \rangle, \quad \text{for all } v \in \text{Dom}(T) \cap \text{Dom}(S).$$

*Proof.* Indeed, for each  $\alpha > 0$  and each  $v \in \text{Dom}(T) \cap \text{Dom}(S)$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha \langle v|T^2|v \rangle + \frac{1}{\alpha} \langle v|S^2|v \rangle - \langle v|TS + ST|v \rangle \\ &= |\sqrt{\alpha}Tv|^2 + |\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}}Sv|^2 - \langle \sqrt{\alpha}Tv|\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}}Sv \rangle - \langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}}Sv|\sqrt{\alpha}Tv \rangle \\ &= \left| \sqrt{\alpha}Tv - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}}Sv \right|^2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

Let us redefine the cost  $c_h(x, \xi)$  that way

$$(97) \quad c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) := |x - z|^2 + |\xi - \hbar D_z|^2.$$

**Lemma A.2.** *For each  $x, \xi, y, \eta, z \in \mathbf{R}^d$  and each  $\alpha > 0$ , one has*

$$\begin{aligned} c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) &\leq (1 + \alpha)(|x - y|^2 + |\xi - \eta|^2) + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha})c(y, \eta; z, \hbar D_z), \\ |x - z|^2 + |\xi - \zeta|^2 &\leq (1 + \alpha)c(x, \xi; y, \hbar D_y) + (1 + \alpha)c(z, \zeta; y, \hbar D_y). \end{aligned}$$

These two inequalities are of the form  $A \leq B$  where  $A$  and  $B$  are unbounded self-adjoint operators on  $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$  for some  $n \geq 1$ , with

$$\mathcal{W} := \{\psi \in H^1(\mathbf{R}^n) \text{ s.t. } |x|\psi \in \mathcal{H}\} \subset \text{Dom}_f(A) \cap \text{Dom}_f(B),$$

denoting by  $\text{Dom}_f(A)$  (resp.  $\text{Dom}_f(B)$ ) the form-domain of  $A$  (resp. of  $B$ ) — see §VIII.6 in [16] on pp. 276–277. The inequality  $A \leq B$  means that the bilinear form associated to  $B - A$  is nonnegative, i.e. that

$$\langle w|A|w \rangle \leq \langle w|B|w \rangle, \quad \text{for all } w \in \mathcal{W}.$$

*Proof.* These two inequalities are proved in the same way. Let us prove for instance the first inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) &= |x - y + y - z|^2 + |\xi - \eta + \eta - \hbar D_z|^2 \\ &= |x - y|^2 + |\xi - \eta|^2 + c(y, \eta; z, \hbar D_z) \\ &\quad + 2(x - y) \cdot (y - z) + 2(\xi - \eta) \cdot (\eta - \hbar D_z). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma A.1 with  $T = (x - y)\mathbb{I}_z$  and  $S = \eta - \hbar D_z$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} &2(x - y) \cdot (y - z) + 2(\xi - \eta) \cdot (\eta - \hbar D_z) \\ &\leq \alpha(|x - y|^2 + |\xi - \eta|^2) + \frac{1}{\alpha}c(y, \eta; z, \hbar D_z), \end{aligned}$$

which concludes the proof of the first inequality.  $\square$

Finally we will need the following proposition whose proof is postponed to the end of this section.

**Proposition A.3.** *Let  $A = A^* \geq 0$  be an unbounded self-adjoint operator on  $\mathcal{H}$  with domain  $\text{Dom}(A)$ , and let  $E$  be its spectral decomposition. Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathfrak{H})$  satisfy  $T = T^* \geq 0$ , and let  $(e_j)_{j \geq 1}$  be a complete orthonormal system of eigenvectors of  $T$  with  $Te_j = \tau_j e_j$  and  $\tau_j \in [0, +\infty)$  for each  $j \geq 1$ .*

*Assume that*

$$(98) \quad \sum_{j \geq 1} \tau_j \int_0^\infty \lambda \langle e_j | E(d\lambda) | e_j \rangle < \infty.$$

*Let  $\Phi_n : \mathbf{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$  be a sequence of continuous, bounded and nondecreasing functions such that*

$$0 \leq \Phi_1(r) \leq \Phi_2(r) \leq \dots \leq \Phi_n(r) \rightarrow r \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

*Set*

$$\Phi_n(A) := \int_0^\infty \Phi_n(\lambda) E(d\lambda) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}).$$

*Then  $\Phi_n(A) = \Phi_n(A)^* \geq 0$  for each  $n \geq 1$  and the sequence  $T^{1/2}\Phi_n(A)T^{1/2}$  converges weakly to  $T^{1/2}AT^{1/2}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Moreover*

$$\text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(T\Phi_n(A)) \rightarrow \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(T^{1/2}AT^{1/2}) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

*Proof of Theorem 3.5.*

We start by the following ‘‘disintegration’’ result.

**Lemma A.4.** *Let  $f \in \mathcal{P}^{ac}(\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d)$ , let  $R \in \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H})$  and let  $Q \in \mathcal{C}(f, R)$ . There exists a  $\sigma(\mathcal{L}^1(\mathfrak{H}), \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{H}))$  weakly measurable function  $(x, \xi) \mapsto Q_f(x, \xi)$  defined a.e. on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  with values in  $\mathcal{L}^1(\mathfrak{H})$  such that*

$$Q_f(x, \xi) = Q_f^*(x, \xi) \geq 0, \quad \text{trace}(Q_f(x, \xi)) = 1, \quad \text{and } Q(x, \xi) = f(x, \xi)Q_f(x, \xi)$$

*for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ .*

*Proof of the Lemma.*

Let  $f_1$  be a Borel measurable function defined on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and such that  $f(x, \xi) = f_1(x, \xi)$  for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the Borel measurable set defined as follows:  $\mathcal{N} := \{(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d \text{ s.t. } f(x, \xi) = 0\}$ , and let  $u \in \mathfrak{H}$  satisfy  $|u| = 1$ . Consider the function

$$(x, \xi) \mapsto Q_f(x, \xi) := \frac{Q(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}}(x, \xi)|u\rangle\langle u|}{f_1(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}}(x, \xi)} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{H})$$

defined a.e. on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ . The function  $f_1 + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}} > 0$  is Borel measurable on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  while  $(x, \xi) \mapsto \langle \phi | Q(x, \xi) | \psi \rangle$  is measurable and defined a.e. on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  for each  $\phi, \psi \in \mathfrak{H}$ . Set  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{H}) \times (0, +\infty) \ni (T, \lambda) \mapsto \lambda^{-1}T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{H})$ ; since  $\mathcal{A}$  is continuous, the function  $Q_f := \mathcal{A}(Q + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}} \otimes |u\rangle\langle u|, f_1 + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}})$  is weakly measurable on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ . Since  $f_1 + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}} > 0$ , and since  $Q(x, \xi) = Q^*(x, \xi) \geq 0$ , one has  $(Q(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}} \otimes |u\rangle\langle u|)^* = Q(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}} \otimes |u\rangle\langle u| \geq 0$  for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ . On the other hand, for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ , one has  $\text{trace}(Q(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}} \otimes |u\rangle\langle u|) = f(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}}(x, \xi)$ , so that  $\text{trace}(Q_f(x, \xi)) = 1$ . Finally

$$f(x, \xi)Q_f(x, \xi) = \frac{f(x, \xi)Q(x, \xi)}{f_1(x, \xi) + \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}}(x, \xi)} = Q(x, \xi) \quad \text{for a.e. } (x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d,$$

since  $f = f_1$  a.e. on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and  $\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{N}}(x, \xi) = 0$  for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  such that  $f(x, \xi) > 0$ . Since  $Q_f$  satisfies  $\text{trace}(Q_f(x, \xi)) = 1$  for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and is weakly measurable on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ , it is  $\sigma(\mathcal{L}^1(\mathfrak{H}), \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{H}))$  weakly measurable.  $\square$

By Theorem 2.12 in chapter 2 of [18], there exists an optimal coupling for  $W_2(f, g)$ , of the form  $f(x, \xi)\delta_{\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)}(dyd\eta)$ , where  $\Phi$  is a convex function on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ . Let  $Q \in \mathcal{C}(g, R_1)$  and set

$$P(x, \xi; dyd\eta) := f(x, \xi)\delta_{\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)}(dyd\eta)Q_g(y, \eta),$$

where  $Q_g$  is the disintegration of  $Q$  with respect to  $f$  obtained in Lemma A.4. Then  $P$  is a nonnegative, self-adjoint operator-valued measure satisfying

$$\text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(P(x, \xi; dyd\eta)) = f(x, \xi)\delta_{\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)}(dyd\eta)$$

while

$$\int P dx d\xi = (\nabla\Phi \# f)(y, \eta) dy d\eta Q_g(y, \eta) = g(y, \eta) Q_g(y, \eta) dy d\eta = Q(y, \eta) dy d\eta.$$

In particular

$$(99) \quad \int P(x, \xi; dyd\eta) = f(x, \xi)Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)) \in \mathcal{C}(f, R_1).$$

Therefore

$$E_{\hbar}(f, R_1)^2 \leq \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c_{\hbar}(x, \xi) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi.$$

By the first inequality in Lemma A.2, one has

$$c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) \leq (1 + \alpha)|(x, \xi) - \nabla\phi(x, \xi)|^2 + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha})c(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi); z, \hbar D_z)$$



for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and all  $\alpha > 0$ . Since  $g \in \mathcal{P}_2^{ac}(\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d)$  and  $R_1 \in \mathcal{D}_2(\mathfrak{H})$  and  $Q \in \mathcal{C}(g, R_1)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q(y, \eta)^{1/2} c(y, \eta) Q(y, \eta)^{1/2}) dy d\eta \\ &= \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

For each  $\epsilon > 0$ , set

$$c^\epsilon(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) = (I + \epsilon c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z))^{-1} c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) \leq c(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z).$$

Then, for a.e.  $(x, \xi) \in \mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$  and each  $\epsilon > 0$ , one has

$$Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi); z, \hbar D_z) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathfrak{H}),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c_h^\epsilon(x, \xi; z, \hbar D_z) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} \\ & \leq (1 + \alpha) |(x, \xi) - \nabla\phi(x, \xi)|^2 Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)) \\ & \quad + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi); z, \hbar D_z) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of this inequality with respect to the probability distribution  $f(x, \xi)$ , one finds

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c_h^\epsilon(x, \xi) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ & \leq (1 + \alpha) \int |(x, \xi) - \nabla\phi(x, \xi)|^2 f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ & + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}) \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi)) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ & \leq (1 + \alpha) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g)^2 \\ & \quad + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}) \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(y, \eta)^{1/2} c(y, \eta) Q_g(y, \eta)^{1/2}) g(y, \eta) dy d\eta \\ & \leq (1 + \alpha) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g)^2 + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}) \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q(y, \eta)^{1/2} c(y, \eta) Q(y, \eta)^{1/2}) dy d\eta. \end{aligned}$$

Minimizing the last right hand side of this inequality in  $Q \in \mathcal{C}(g, R_1)$  shows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c_h^\epsilon(x, \xi) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ & \leq (1 + \alpha) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g)^2 + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}) E(g, R_1)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Passing to the limit as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  in the left hand side and applying Proposition A.3 shows that

$$\begin{aligned} E_h(f, R_1)^2 & \leq \int \text{trace}_{\mathfrak{H}}(Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2} c(x, \xi) Q_g(\nabla\Phi(x, \xi))^{1/2}) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ & \leq (1 + \alpha) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g)^2 + (1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}) E(g, R_1)^2, \end{aligned}$$

the first inequality being a consequence of the definition of  $E_h$  according to (99).

Finally, minimizing the right hand side of this inequality as  $\alpha > 0$ , i.e. choosing  $\alpha = E_h(f, g) / \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g)$  if  $f \neq g$  a.e. on  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^d$ , or letting  $\alpha \rightarrow +\infty$  if  $f = g$ , we arrive at the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} E_h(f, R_1)^2 &\leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g)^2 + E_h(g, R_1)^2 + 2E_h(g, R_1) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g) \\ &= (\text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(f, g) + E_h(g, R_1))^2, \end{aligned}$$

which is precisely the desired inequality. Theorem 3.5 is proven.  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition A.3.* Since  $E$  is a resolution of the identity on  $[0, +\infty)$ , and since  $\Phi_n$  is continuous, bounded and with values in  $[0, +\infty)$ , the operators  $\Phi_n(A)$  satisfy

$$0 \leq \Phi_n(A) = \Phi_n(A)^* \leq \left( \sup_{z \geq 0} \Phi_n(z) \right) I_{\mathcal{H}}$$

and

$$0 \leq \Phi_1(A) \leq \Phi_2(A) \leq \dots \leq \Phi_n(A) \leq \dots$$

Set  $R_n := T^{1/2} \Phi_n(A) T^{1/2}$ ; by definition  $0 \leq R_n = R_n^* \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathfrak{H})$  and one has

$$0 \leq R_1 \leq R_2 \leq \dots \leq R_n \leq \dots$$

together with

$$\text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) = \sum_{j \geq 1} \tau_j \int_0^\infty \Phi_n(\lambda) \langle e_j | E(d\lambda) | e_j \rangle \leq \sum_{j \geq 1} \tau_j \int_0^\infty \lambda \langle e_j | E(d\lambda) | e_j \rangle < \infty$$

by (98).

Therefore, since  $0 \leq R_n \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathcal{H})$ ,

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \langle x | R_n | x \rangle \leq \sup_{n \geq 1} \| |x\rangle \langle x| \|_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) = \|x\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) < \infty \text{ for all } x \in \mathcal{H}.$$

Since the sequence  $\langle x | R_n | x \rangle \in [0, +\infty)$  is nondecreasing for each  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\langle x | R_n | x \rangle \rightarrow \sup_{n \geq 1} \langle x | R_n | x \rangle =: q(x) \in [0, +\infty) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{H}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence

$$\langle x | R_n | y \rangle = \langle y | R_n | x \rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}(q(x+y) - q(x-y) + iq(x-iy) - iq(x+iy)) =: b(x, y) \in \mathbf{C}$$

as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . By construction,  $b$  is a nonnegative sesquilinear form on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Consider, for each  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$F_k := \{x \in \mathcal{H} \text{ s.t. } \langle x | R_n | x \rangle \leq k \text{ for each } n \geq 1\}.$$

The set  $F_k$  is closed for each  $k \geq 0$ , being the intersection of the closed sets defined by the inequality  $\langle x | R_n | x \rangle \leq k$  as  $n \geq 1$ . Since the sequence  $\langle x | R_n | x \rangle$  is bounded for each  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\bigcup_{k \geq 0} F_k = \mathcal{H}.$$

Applying Baire's theorem shows that there exists  $N \geq 0$  such that  $\overset{\circ}{F}_N \neq \emptyset$ . In other words, there exists  $r > 0$  and  $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$  such that

$$|x - x_0| \leq r \implies |\langle x | R_n | x \rangle| \leq N \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

By linearity and positivity of  $R_n$ , this implies

$$|\langle z|R_n|z\rangle| \leq \frac{2}{r}(M+N)\|z\|^2 \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \quad \text{with } M := \sup_{n \geq 1} \langle x_0|R_n|x_0\rangle.$$

In particular

$$\sup_{|z| \leq 1} q(z) \leq \frac{2}{r}(M+N), \quad \text{so that } |b(x,y)| \leq \frac{2}{r}(M+N)\|x\|_{\mathcal{H}}\|y\|_{\mathcal{H}}$$

for each  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$  by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality. By the Riesz representation theorem, there exists  $R \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  such that

$$R = R^* \geq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad b(x,y) = \langle x|R|y\rangle = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x|R_n|y\rangle,$$

so that  $R_n \rightarrow R \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  weakly as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Observe now that  $R \geq R_n$  for each  $n \geq 1$ , so that

$$(100) \quad \sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) \leq \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R).$$

In particular

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) = +\infty \implies \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R) = +\infty.$$

Since the sequence  $\text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n)$  is nondecreasing,

$$\text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) \rightarrow \sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

By the noncommutative variant of Fatou's lemma (Theorem 2.7 (d) in [17]),

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n) < \infty \implies R \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathcal{H}) \text{ and } \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R) \leq \sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n),$$

so that, by (100),

$$\text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R) = \sup_{n \geq 1} \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(R_n).$$

Finally

$$T^{1/2}AT^{1/2} - R_n = \sum_{j,k \geq 1} \tau_j^{1/2} \tau_k^{1/2} \left( \int_0^\infty (\lambda - \Phi_n(\lambda)) \langle e_j | E(d\lambda) | e_k \rangle \right) |e_j\rangle \langle e_k|$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x | T^{1/2}AT^{1/2} - R_n | x \rangle &= \int_0^\infty (\lambda - \Phi_n(\lambda)) \left\langle \sum_{j \geq 1} \tau_j^{1/2} \langle e_j | x \rangle e_j | E(d\lambda) | \sum_{k \geq 1} \tau_k^{1/2} \langle e_k | x \rangle e_k \right\rangle \\ &= \int_0^\infty (\lambda - \Phi_n(\lambda)) \langle T^{1/2}x | E(d\lambda) | T^{1/2}x \rangle \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$0 \leq T^{1/2}AT^{1/2} - R_n = (T^{1/2}AT^{1/2} - R_n)^* \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathcal{H})$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \|T^{1/2}AT^{1/2} - R_n\|_1 &= \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(T^{1/2}AT^{1/2} - R_n) \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 1} \tau_j \int_0^\infty (\lambda - \Phi_n(\lambda)) \langle e_j | E(d\lambda) | e_j \rangle \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by monotone convergence. Hence  $R_n \rightarrow T^{1/2}AT^{1/2}$  in  $\mathcal{L}^1(\mathcal{H})$  and one has in particular

$$\text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(T\Phi_n(A)) = \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(T^{1/2}\Phi_n(A)T^{1/2}) \rightarrow \text{trace}_{\mathcal{H}}(T^{1/2}AT^{1/2}).$$

□

## APPENDIX B. QUANTUM WASSERSTEIN AND WEAK TOPOLOGIES

It is well known that Wasserstein metrics dominate weak topologies. It is natural to wonder whether the  $E_{\hbar}$  does the same. The answer will be positive when considering, for two density matrices  $S$  and  $R$ , the quantity  $E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[S], R)$ . Since, by Theorem 3.3,3),

$$E_{\hbar}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[S], R) \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[S], \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R]),$$

the following results will give the answer.

### B.1. $L^2$ test functions.

**Definition B.1.** Let  $R, S \in \mathcal{D}^2(\mathfrak{H})$ , with Wigner transforms  $W_{\hbar}[R], W_{\hbar}[S]$ . We define

$$(101) \quad d(R, S) = \sup_{\|\frac{1}{i\hbar}[x, F]\|_1 + \|\frac{1}{i\hbar}[-i\hbar\nabla, F]\|_1 \leq 1} |\text{trace}(F(R - S))|$$

and

$$(102) \quad \delta(W_{\hbar}[R], W_{\hbar}[S]) = \sup_{\substack{\text{Lip}(f) \leq 1 \\ \|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{2d})} \leq 1}} \left| \int (W_{\hbar}[R] - W_{\hbar}[S])f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right|$$

**Proposition B.2.** The functions  $d, \delta(W_{\hbar}[\cdot], W_{\hbar}[\cdot]) : \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H}) \times \mathcal{D}(\mathfrak{H}) \rightarrow [0, +\infty[$  are distances.

Moreover,

$$d \leq 2^d \delta.$$

*Proof.* We first prove the inequality. Let us recall the following elementary facts:

$$(103) \quad \text{trace}(F(R - S)) = (2\pi\hbar)^d \int W_{\hbar}[F](W_{\hbar}[R] - W_{\hbar}[S])(x, \xi) dx d\xi$$

and  $W_{\hbar}[\frac{1}{i\hbar}[x, F]] = \nabla_p W_{\hbar}[F]$ ,  $W_{\hbar}[\frac{1}{i\hbar}[-i\hbar\nabla, F]] = -\nabla_x W_{\hbar}[F]$ .

By the part (b) of the proof of Proposition B.5 in [9] we know that, for  $\|D\|_1 < \infty$ ,

$$\|W_{\hbar}[D]\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{\|D\|_1}{(\pi\hbar)^d},$$

so that

$$\|\frac{1}{i\hbar}[x, F]\|_1 + \|\frac{1}{i\hbar}[-i\hbar\nabla, F]\|_1 \leq 1 \implies |(\pi\hbar)^d W_{\hbar}[F]|, \text{Lip}((\pi\hbar)^d W_{\hbar}[F]) \leq 1.$$

Finally, a straightforward computation shows that, for  $\|D\|_1 < \infty$ ,

$$(104) \quad (2\pi\hbar)^d \|W_{\hbar}[D]\|_{L^2}^2 \leq \|D\|_2^2 \leq \|D\|_1^2,$$

so that, for  $\frac{\pi\hbar}{2} \leq 1$ ,

$$\|D\|_1 \leq 1 \implies \|D\|_2 \leq \left(\frac{\pi\hbar}{2}\right)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \implies \|(\pi\hbar)^d W_\hbar[D]\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq 1.$$

Therefore,

$$\left\|\frac{1}{i\hbar}[x, F]\right\|_1 + \left\|\frac{1}{i\hbar}[-i\hbar\nabla, F]\right\|_1 \leq 1 \implies \|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq 1,$$

and, by (103) and the change of test function  $f \rightarrow (\pi\hbar)^d W_\hbar[F]$ , we get  $D \leq 2^d \delta$ .

The symmetry in the argument and the triangle inequality for  $d$  and  $\delta$  are obvious by construction. Moreover  $2^d \delta \geq d \geq d_2$  where  $d_2$  is the distance defined in (110) below. Therefore  $D$  and  $\delta$  separate points.  $\square$

**Proposition B.3.** *Let  $R, S \in \mathcal{D}^2(\mathfrak{H})$ , with Wigner transforms  $W_\hbar(R), W_\hbar(S)$  and Husimi transforms  $\tilde{W}_\hbar(R), \tilde{W}_\hbar(S)$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(R, S) &\leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_\hbar(R), \tilde{W}_\hbar(S)) + \sqrt{\hbar} \|W_\hbar[R] - W_\hbar[S]\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \\ (105) \quad &= \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_\hbar(R), \tilde{W}_\hbar(S)) + \sqrt{\hbar} \frac{\|R - S\|_2}{(2\pi\hbar)^{d/2}} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Using successively formulas (7.1) and formula (7.3) in chapter 7 of [18], we have

$$\left| \int f(x, \xi) (\tilde{W}_\hbar[R] - \tilde{W}_\hbar[S])(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right| \leq \text{Lip}(f) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_\hbar(R), \tilde{W}_\hbar(S))$$

Since  $\tilde{W}_\hbar = e^{\hbar\Delta/4} W_\hbar$  one find

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int f(x, \xi) (W_\hbar[R] - W_\hbar[S])(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right| &= \text{Lip}(f) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_\hbar(R), \tilde{W}_\hbar(S)) \\ &\leq \left| \int (e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1) f(x, \xi) (W_\hbar[R] - W_\hbar[S])(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right| \\ &\leq \|(e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1)f\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \|W_\hbar[R] - W_\hbar[S]\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \end{aligned}$$

by Cauchy-Schwarz.

By  $(e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1)^2 = (e^{\hbar\Delta/2} - 1) - 2(e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1)$  and  $1 - e^{\hbar\Delta/\lambda} \leq -\hbar\Delta/\lambda$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ , one get

$$(106) \quad \|(e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1)f\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq \sqrt{\hbar} \|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}$$

which gives the desired inequality.  $\square$

Let  $R(t)$  solves the von Neumann equation (7) with initial condition  $R^{in}$  and let  $\Phi^t$  be the underlying Hamiltonian flow of Hamiltonian  $\frac{1}{2}p^2 + V(q)$  as defined by (12). Let moreover  $\mathcal{R}(t)$  defined by

$$(107) \quad W_\hbar[\mathcal{R}(t)] = W_\hbar[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}$$

**Theorem B.4.** *Let  $V \in C^{1,1}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(R(t), \mathcal{R}(t)) &\leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_\hbar[R(t)], \tilde{W}_\hbar[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) + \sqrt{\hbar} (1 + e^{1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|}) \|W_\hbar[R^{in}]\|_{L^2} \\ &= \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_\hbar[R(t)], \tilde{W}_\hbar[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) + \sqrt{\hbar} (1 + e^{(1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|)}) \|R^{in}\|_2 / (2\pi\hbar)^{d/2} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* One starts again with

$$\left| \iint f(x, \xi) (\tilde{W}_h[R(t)] - \tilde{W}_h[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t})(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right| \leq \text{Lip}(f) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_h(R), \tilde{W}_h(S \circ \Phi^{-t}))$$

Since  $\Phi^t$  preserves the measure on phase space we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int f(x, \xi) \tilde{W}_h[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}(x, \xi) dx d\xi &= \int f \circ \Phi^t(x, \xi) \tilde{W}_h[R^{in}](x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ &= \int (e^{\hbar\Delta/4} (f \circ \Phi^t))(x, \xi) W_h[R^{in}](x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ &= \int f(x, \xi) (W_h[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t})(x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ &+ \int g^t(x, \xi) W_h[R^{in}](x, \xi) dx d\xi \end{aligned}$$

with

$$g^t(x, \xi) = (e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1)(f \circ \Phi^t)(x, \xi)$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \iint f(W_h[R(t)] - W_h[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) dx d\xi \right| &\leq \text{Lip}(f) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\tilde{W}_h[R(t)], \tilde{W}_h[S] \circ \Phi^{-t}) \\ &+ \int (g^{t=0} W_h[R(t)] - g^t W_h[R^{in}](x, \xi) dx d\xi \\ &\leq \|g^{t=0}\|_{L^2} \|W_h[R(t)]\|_{L^2} + \|g^t\|_{L^2} \|W_h[R^{in}]\|_{L^2} \\ (108) \quad &= (\|g^{t=0}\|_{L^2} + \|g^t\|_{L^2}) \|W_h[R^{in}]\|_{L^2} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g^{t=0} = (e^{\hbar\Delta/4} - 1)f$ , the first term in the parenthesis in (108) can be estimated by (106). The second one will be treated by the following result.

**Lemma B.5.** *Let  $\Phi^t$  the Hamiltonian flow associated to  $\frac{1}{2}p^2 + V(q)$  with  $V \in C^{1,1}$ . Then, for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  and all  $f \in W^{1,2}$ , and all  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,*

$$\|d\Phi^t\|_{L^\infty} \leq e^{(1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|)} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\nabla(f \circ \Phi^t)\|_{L^p} \leq e^{(1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|)} \|\nabla f\|_{L^p}.$$

*Proof.* By the Lipschitz condition on  $V$  we have, for all  $z, z' \in \mathbf{R}^{2d}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi^t(z) - \Phi^s(z')| &= \|z - z'\| + \int_0^t \partial_s(\Phi^t(z) - \Phi^s(z')) ds \\ &\leq \|z - z'\| + (1 + \text{Lip}(\nabla V)) \int_0^t |\Phi^s(z) - \Phi^s(z')| ds, \end{aligned}$$

so that, by the Gronwall Lemma,  $\Phi^t$  is Lipschitz for all  $t$  with Lipschitz constant smaller than  $e^{(1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V))|t|}$ . Therefore,  $d\Phi^t$  exists a.e.,  $\|d\Phi^t\|_{L^\infty} \leq e^{(1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V))|t|}$ . Moreover  $|\nabla(f \circ \Phi^t)| \leq e^{(1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V))|t|} |(\nabla f) \circ \Phi^t|$  a.e. and we can perform the change of variable  $z \rightarrow \Phi^t(z)$  in  $\|(\nabla f) \circ \Phi^t\|_{L^2}$ . Since, being a symplectomorphism,  $\Phi^t$  preserves the Lebesgue measure on phase space, we get the second inequality in Lemma B.5.  $\square$

The end of the proof of the first inequality in Theorem B.4 is achieved by (106) and Lemma B.5. The second one follows from the first one by (104).  $\square$

## B.2. $L^\infty$ test functions.

In [9] were introduced  $d_M$  and  $\delta_M$ , for any integer  $M < 0$ , defined by (Proposition B 5 and Definition B1 in [9])

$$(109) \quad \delta_M(W_{\hbar}(R), W_{\hbar}(S)) := \sup_{\substack{f \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d}) \\ \max_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq M} \|\partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\beta f\|_{L^\infty} \leq 1}} \left| \int (W_{\hbar}(R)(x, \xi) - W_{\hbar}(S)(x, \xi)) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right|.$$

and

$$(110) \quad d_M(R, S) := \sup_{\max_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq M} \|\mathcal{D}_{-i\hbar\nabla}^\alpha \mathcal{D}_x^\beta F\|_1 \leq 1} |\text{trace}(F(R - S))|,$$

where  $\mathcal{D}_A = \frac{1}{i\hbar}[A, \cdot]$  for each (possibly unbounded) self-adjoint operator  $A$  on  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

It was proved in proposition B2 in [9] that  $d_M$  is a distance, and by the same argument that for  $\delta$  in the proof of Proposition B.2, one sees that  $\delta_M$ , considered as a functions of Wigner functions is also a distance.

In order to use the estimate of  $\gamma_d$  proved in the next section, we will restrict ourselves to the following more precise (because of explicit constants) restriction (because  $2[d/4] + 2 < [d/2] + 2$ ) of Proposition B5 in [9].

### Proposition B.6.

$$d_{2[d/4]+2}(R, S) \leq \delta_{2[d/4]+2}(W_{\hbar}(R), W_{\hbar}(S)) \leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(R), \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(S)) + \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}}\sqrt{\hbar}$$

where  $\gamma_d$  is the constant that appears in Theorem C.4 below.

The following result is the analogue of Theorem B.4 in Section B.2 above.

Let  $R(t)$  solves the von Neumann equation (7) with initial condition  $R^{in}$  and let  $\Phi^t$  be the underlying Hamiltonian flow of Hamiltonian  $\frac{1}{2}p^2 + V(q)$  as defined by (12).

**Theorem B.7.** *Let  $V \in C^{1,1}$  and  $W_{\hbar}[R^{in}] \in L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{[d/4]+2}(W_{\hbar}(R(t)), W_{\hbar}(R^{in}) \circ \Phi^t) &\leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R(t)], \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) \\ &+ \sqrt{\hbar} \left( \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} + e^{1+\text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|} \|W_{\hbar}[R^{in}]\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \right) \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* One again one starts with

$$\left| \iint f(x, \xi) (\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R(t)] - \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t})(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right| \leq \text{Lip}(f) \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(R), \widetilde{W}_{\hbar}(S \circ \Phi^{-t}))$$

The term involving  $\int f \widetilde{W}[R(t)]$  is treated as before and we get that

$$(111) \quad \left| \int f \widetilde{W}[R(t)] dx d\xi - \int f W[R(t)] dx d\xi \right| \leq \sqrt{\hbar} \frac{d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{2\pi}}.$$

For the second term we write, denoting  $z = (x, \xi), z' = (x', \xi')$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int f \widetilde{W}[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t} dx d\xi &= (\pi \hbar)^{-d} \int f(z) e^{-(\Phi^{-t}(z) - z')^2 / \hbar} W[R^{in}](z') dz dz' \\
&= (\pi \hbar)^{-d} \int f(\Phi^t(z)) e^{-(z - z')^2 / \hbar} W[R^{in}](z') dz dz' \\
&= \int \left( e^{\hbar \Delta / 4} (f \circ \Phi^t) \right) (z') W[R^{in}](z') dz' \\
&= \int (f \circ \Phi^t - g_t) W[R^{in}](z') dz' \\
(112) \quad &= \int f(W[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^{-t}) dx d\xi - \int g_t W[R^{in}] dx d\xi
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
g_t(x, \xi) &= f \circ \Phi^t(x, \xi) - e^{\hbar \Delta / 4} (f \circ \Phi^t)(x, \xi) \\
&= \int (f \circ \Phi^t(x + \sqrt{\hbar} q, \xi + \sqrt{\hbar} p) - f \circ \Phi^t(x, \xi)) e^{-|q|^2 - |p|^2} dq dp / \pi^d.
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma B.5,

$$|g_t(x, \xi)| \leq \sqrt{\hbar} \|d\phi^t\|_{L^\infty} \text{Lip}(f) \leq \sqrt{\hbar} e^{1 + \text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|}.$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \int f \widetilde{W}[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^t - \int f W[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^t \right| dx d\xi &\leq \left| - \int g_t W[R^{in}] dx d\xi \right| \\
(113) \quad &\leq \sqrt{\hbar} e^{1 + \text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|} \|W_h[R^{in}]\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}.
\end{aligned}$$

We conclude by adding (111) and (113).  $\square$

Let us define finally

$$(114) \quad \delta_{M,1}(W_h(R), W_h(S)) := \sup_{\substack{f \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^{2d}) \\ \max_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq M} \|\partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\beta f\|_{L^\infty} \leq 1 \\ \|\nabla f\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq 1}} \left| \int (W_h(R)(x, \xi) - W_h(S)(x, \xi)) f(x, \xi) dx d\xi \right|.$$

**Theorem B.8.** *Let  $V \in C^{1,1}$  and  $W_h[R^{in}] \in L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_{[d/4]+2}(W_h(R(t)), W_h(R^{in}) \circ \Phi^t) &\leq \text{dist}_{\text{MK},2}(\widetilde{W}_h[R(t)], \widetilde{W}_h[R^{in}] \circ \Phi^t) \\
&\quad + \sqrt{\hbar} \left( \frac{2d\gamma_d}{\sqrt{\pi}} + e^{1 + \text{Lip}(\nabla V)|t|} \right) \|W_h[R^{in}]\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The proof is quasi identical to the one of Theorem B.7. the only change consists in estimating the last integral in (112) by

$$\left| \int g_t W[R^{in}] dx d\xi \right| \leq \|W[R^{in}]\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \|g_t\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}.$$



We estimate  $\|g_t\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \int |g_t(x, \xi)| dx d\xi &= \int |f \circ \Phi^t(x, \xi) - e^{\hbar\Delta/4}(f \circ \Phi^t)(x, \xi)| dx d\xi \\ &= \int |(f \circ \Phi^t(x + \sqrt{\hbar}q, \xi + \sqrt{\hbar}p) - f \circ \Phi^t(x, \xi))e^{-|q|^2 - |p|^2}| dq dp dx d\xi / \pi^d \\ &\leq \|\nabla(f \circ \Phi^t)\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \leq \|d\Phi^t\|_{L^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2d})} \|\nabla f\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R}^{2d})}. \end{aligned}$$

And we conclude by Lemma B.5 in the  $L^1$  version,  $\square$

## APPENDIX C. AN ESTIMATION OF THE CALDERON-VAILLANCOURT CONSTANT

In this section we revisit the proof of the Calderon-Vaillancourt Theorem by keeping track of the constants. We follow the proof by Hwang [13], as presented in [14].

We first define, for  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $k > [d/2]$ ,  $k$  even, that is  $k = 2[d/4] + 2$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^d$ ,

$$P_k(x) = (1 + |x|^2)^{k/2}$$

and, for  $u \in L^2$ ,

$$W_u(x, \xi) = \int u(y) P_k(x - y)^{-1} e^{-iy\xi} dy$$

Obviously

$$(115) \quad \|W_u\|_{L^2} \leq \|u\|_{L^2} \|P_k^{-1}\|_{L^2} := C_k \|u\|_{L^2}.$$

**Lemma C.1.**

$$C_k^2 = \int_{\mathbf{R}^d} \frac{1}{(1 + x^2)^k} dx \leq 2 \frac{\text{vol}(S_{d-1})}{d - 2k} = \frac{2\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\Gamma(d/2 + 1)(d - 2k)}$$

*Proof.*

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\rho^{d-1}}{(1 + \rho^2)^k} d\rho \leq \int_0^1 \rho^{d-1} d\rho = d^{-1}, \quad \int_1^\infty \frac{\rho^{d-1}}{(1 + \rho^2)^k} d\rho \leq \int_1^\infty \rho^{d-1-2k} d\rho = (d - 2k)^{-1}$$

$\square$

Moreover, for all  $\alpha$ ,  $|\alpha| \leq k$ , and calling  $D := -i\nabla$ ,

$$(116) \quad \|D^\alpha P_k^{-1}\|_{L^\infty} \leq C_{\alpha, k}.$$

**Lemma C.2.**

$$C_{\alpha, k} \leq \sum_{m=0}^{|\alpha|-1} k^{|\alpha|-m} (3|\alpha|)^m |\alpha|^d \leq |\alpha| (3k)^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|^{2k}.$$

since  $d \leq 2k$  and  $|\alpha| \leq k$ .

*Proof.* One first remark that, for  $|\beta| = 1$ ,

$$D^\beta P_k(x)^{-1} = k \frac{x^\beta}{1 + x^2} P_k(x)^{-1}$$

Therefore the highest term in  $k$  in  $D^\alpha P_k^{-1}$  will be

$$k^{|\alpha|} \frac{x^\alpha}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha|}} P_k(x)^{-1} \leq k^{|\alpha|}$$

The preceding term will be

$$k^{|\alpha|-1} \sum_{|\alpha'|=|\alpha|-1} \left( D^{\alpha-\alpha'} \frac{x^{\alpha'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|}} \right) P_k(x)^{-1} \leq k^{|\alpha|-1} |\alpha|^d 3^{|\alpha|}$$

since, for  $|\beta| = 1$ ,

$$\left| D^\beta \frac{x^{\alpha'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|}} \right| = \left| \frac{D^\beta x^{\alpha'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|}} - 2|\alpha'| \frac{x^{\alpha'} x^\beta}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|+1}} \right| = \left| \frac{x^{\alpha'-\beta}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|}} - 2|\alpha'| \frac{x^{\alpha'} x^\beta}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|+1}} \right| \leq 3|\alpha|$$

due to

$$\frac{x^{\alpha_1} \dots x^{\alpha_m}}{(1+x^2)^M} \leq 1$$

when  $|\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_m| \leq M$ . Indeed

$$\frac{x^{\alpha_1} \dots x^{\alpha_m}}{(1+x^2)^M} \leq \frac{x^{\alpha_1}}{(1+x^2)^{\alpha_1}} \dots \frac{x^{\alpha_m}}{(1+x^2)^{\alpha_m}} \leq \frac{x^{\alpha_1}}{(1+x_1^2)^{\alpha_1}} \dots \frac{x^{\alpha_m}}{(1+x_m^2)^{\alpha_m}} \leq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{|\alpha|}.$$

The next term will be

$$k^{|\alpha|-2} \sum_{|\alpha''=|\alpha|-2} \left( D^{\alpha-\alpha''} \frac{x^{\alpha''}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|}} \right) P_k(x)^{-1} \leq k^{|\alpha|-1} (|\alpha| - 2)^d d^2 3^{|\alpha|^2} \leq k^{|\alpha|-2} 3^2 |\alpha|^2 |\alpha|^d$$

since, decomposing  $\alpha - \alpha'' = \beta + \beta'$ ,  $|\beta| = |\beta'| = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| D^{\beta'} D^\beta \frac{x^{\alpha''}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|}} \right| &= \left| D^{\beta'} \frac{x^{\alpha''-\beta}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|}} - 2|\alpha''| D^{\beta'} \frac{x^{\alpha''} x^\beta}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|+1}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{x^{\alpha''-\beta-\beta'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|}} - 2|\alpha''| \frac{x^{\alpha''-\beta+\beta'} - x^{\alpha''+\beta-\beta'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|+1}} \right| \\ &\quad + 4|\alpha''| (|\alpha''| + 1) \frac{x^{\alpha''+\beta+\beta'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha''|+2}} \\ &\leq 9|\alpha''|^2 \leq 9|\alpha| = 3^2 |\alpha|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, for  $|\beta_l| = 1, l = 1, \dots, m$  and  $|\alpha'| \leq |\alpha|$ ,

$$\left| D^{\beta_m} D^{\beta_{m-1}} D^{\beta_1} \frac{x^{\alpha'}}{(1+x^2)^{|\alpha'|}} \right| \leq 3^m |\alpha|^m$$

and the  $m$ th preceding term will be estimated by

$$k^{|\alpha|-m} (3|\alpha|)^m |\alpha|^d.$$

□

We turn now to the proof of the Calderon-Vaillancourt Theorem in the homogeneous (non semiclassical) case, in the framework of Weyl quantization.

Denoting now by  $\hat{u}$  the Fourier transform of  $u$ , we get, for  $a(x, \xi)$   $k$  times differentiable,

$$\begin{aligned}
(\bar{u}, a(x, D)v) &= \int a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) e^{i\xi(x-y)} u(y) v(x) dx dy d\xi \\
&= \int a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) P_k^{-1}(x-y) P_k(D_\xi) e^{i\xi(x-y)} u(y) v(x) dx dy d\xi \\
&= \int \left( \int u(y) P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) P_k^{-1}(x-y) e^{-i\xi y} dy \right) e^{i\xi x} v(x) dx d\xi \\
&= \int W_{u P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+\cdot}{2}, \xi\right)}(x, \xi) e^{ix\xi} v(x) dx d\xi \\
&= \int W_{u P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+\cdot}{2}, \xi\right)}(x, \xi) P_k(D_x) \left( W_{\hat{v}}(\xi, x) e^{ix\xi} \right) dx d\xi \\
&= \int P_k(D_x) \left( W_{u P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+\cdot}{2}, \xi\right)}(x, \xi) \right) W_{\hat{v}}(\xi, x) e^{ix\xi} dx d\xi
\end{aligned}$$

since, by (116),  $P_k^{-1}$  is  $k$  times differentiable (as well as, let us recall,  $a(x, \xi)$ ).

We know that, by (115),

$$(117) \quad \|W_{\hat{v}}\|_{L^2} \leq \|v\|_{L^2} \|P_k^{-1}\|_{L^2} := C_k \|v\|_{L^2}.$$

Moreover, for  $l \in \mathbf{N}$ ,

$$(D_x^2)^l \left( W_{u P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+\cdot}{2}, \xi\right)}(x, \xi) \right) = \sum_{|\alpha+\beta| \leq 2l} c_{\alpha, \beta}^l \int u(y) P_k(D_\xi) D_x^\alpha a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) D_x^\beta P_k(x-y)^{-1} e^{-iy\xi} dy$$

Indeed

$$(D_x^2)^l = \sum_{l_1 + \dots + l_d = l} \binom{l}{l_1} \binom{l-l_1}{l_2} \dots \binom{l-l_1-\dots-l_{d-1}}{l_d} \prod_{i=1}^d D_{x_i}^{2l_i} := \sum_{l_1 + \dots + l_d = l} d_{l_1, \dots, l_d}^l \prod_{i=1}^d D_{x_i}^{2l_i}.$$

with

$$d_{l_1, \dots, l_d}^l = \frac{l!}{l_1! \dots l_d!},$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
(D_x^2)^l &= \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_d=l} d_{l_1,\dots,l_d}^l \prod_{i=1}^d \sum_{m_i=1}^{2l_i} \binom{2l_i}{m_i} D_{x_i}^{2l_i-m_i} a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) D_{x_i}^{m_i} P_k^{-1}(x-y) \\
&= \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_d=l} d_{l_1,\dots,l_d}^l \prod_{i=1}^d \sum_{\alpha_i+\beta_i=2l_i} D_{x_i}^{\alpha_i} a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) D_{x_i}^{\beta_i} P_k^{-1}(x-y) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta|=2l \\ \alpha_i+\beta_i \text{ even}}} d_{\frac{\alpha_1+\beta_1}{2}, \dots, \frac{\alpha_d+\beta_d}{2}}^l \binom{\alpha+\beta}{\beta} D_x^\alpha a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) D_x^\beta P_k^{-1}(x-y) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta|=2l \\ \alpha_i+\beta_i \text{ even}}} c_{\alpha,\beta}^l D_x^\alpha a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) D_x^\beta P_k^{-1}(x-y)
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$c_{\alpha,\beta}^l = d_{\frac{\alpha_1+\beta_1}{2}, \dots, \frac{\alpha_d+\beta_d}{2}}^l \binom{\alpha+\beta}{\beta}.$$

**Lemma C.3.**

$$c_{\alpha,\beta}^l \leq c_l := l! 2^{2l}.$$

*Proof.* by  $\binom{m}{n} \leq 2^m$  and  $l! \leq l^l$ . □

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
&P_k(D_x) \left( W_{u P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+\cdot}{2}, \xi\right)}(x, \xi) \right) \\
&= \sum_{l,l'=1}^{k/2} \binom{k}{l} \binom{k}{l'} \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta|=2l \\ \alpha_i+\beta_i \text{ even}}} c_{\alpha,\beta}^l \int u(y) (D_\xi^2)^{l'} D_x^\alpha a\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, \xi\right) D_x^\beta P_k(x-y)^{-1} e^{-iy\xi} dy,
\end{aligned}$$

and, using (115),

$$\begin{aligned}
&\|P_k(D_x) \left( W_{u P_k(D_\xi) a\left(\frac{x+\cdot}{2}, \xi\right)}(x, \xi) \right)\|_{L^2} \\
&\leq \|u\|_{L^2} \sum_{l,l'=1}^{k/2} \binom{k}{l} \binom{k}{l'} \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta|=2l \\ \alpha_i+\beta_i \text{ even}}} C_{\beta,k} \max_{\substack{l' \leq k \\ |\alpha| \leq k}} \|(D_\xi^2)^{l'} D_x^\alpha a\|_{L^\infty} \\
&:= C^k \max_{\substack{l' \leq k/2 \\ |\alpha| \leq k}} \|(D_\xi^2)^{l'} D_x^\alpha a\|_{L^\infty} \|u\|_{L^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
C^k &= \sum_{l,l'=1}^{k/2} \binom{k}{l} \binom{k}{l'} \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta|=2l \\ \alpha_i+\beta_i \text{ even}}} c_{\alpha,\beta}^l C_{\beta,k} \\
&\leq k^2 2^{(d+3)k} \sum_{\substack{|\alpha+\beta|=2l \\ \alpha_i+\beta_i \text{ even}}} C_{\beta,k} \\
&\leq \frac{k^2}{4} 2^{4k} k^k (\#\{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, |\alpha| + |\beta| = k\}) \max_{|\beta| \leq k} C_{\beta,k},
\end{aligned}$$

where  $C_{\beta,k}$  is estimated by Lemma C.2.

We have

$$\#\{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{N}^d, |\alpha| + |\beta| = k\} \leq k^{2d},$$

so that, with Lemma C.2,

$$C^k \leq \frac{1}{4} k^2 2^{4k} k^k k^{2d} [(|\alpha| + 1)(3k)^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|^{2k}]_{|\alpha|=k} = \frac{k-1}{4} 48^k (k^k)^5 \leq k 48^k (k^k)^5$$

Finally

$$(\bar{u}, a(x, D)v) \leq D_k \max_{\substack{l' \leq k/2 \\ |\alpha| \leq k}} \|(D_\xi^2)^{l'} D_x^\alpha a\|_{L^\infty} \|u\|_{L^2} \|v\|_{L^2}.$$

with

$$D_k := C^k C_k = C^k \sqrt{2 \frac{\text{vol}(S_{d-1})}{d-2k}} = C^k \pi^{d/4} \Gamma(d/2 + 1)^{-1/2} \leq k (48\sqrt{\pi})^k (k^k)^{\frac{9}{2}},$$

by Lemma C.1.

Therefore

$$\|a(x, D)\| \leq D_{[d/2]+1} \max_{\substack{2l' \leq 2[d/4]+2 \\ |\alpha| \leq 2[d/4]+2}} \|(D_\xi^2)^{l'} D_x^\alpha a\|_{L^\infty}$$

and we just proved the following result

**Theorem C.4** (Calderon-Vaillancourt).

$$\|a(x, D)\| \leq \gamma_d \max_{\substack{|\beta| \leq 2[d/4]+2 \\ |\alpha| \leq 2[d/4]+2}} \|D_\xi^\beta D_x^\alpha a\|_{L^\infty}.$$

with

$$\boxed{\gamma_d = [k(48\sqrt{\pi})^k (k^k)^{\frac{9}{2}}]_{k=2[d/4]+2}.$$

( $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 \sim 3 \times 10^5 \dots$ )

The semiclassical result is the same by noticing that  $a(x, \hbar D)$  has symbol  $a(x, \hbar \xi)$ .

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