

# Fock space algebraic methods: Normal ordering with respect to $\Psi$

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## 1 Moments and cumulants

Note: In this section, sums  $\sum_n$  without specified ranges should be taken to run from 1 to  $\infty$ .

### 1.1 Moments and cumulants in classical statistics

**Definition 1.1. Moments of commuting random variables.** Given a set  $\{q_i\}$  of commuting random variables, their *moments*  $\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  are defined as

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \langle q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n} \rangle \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\langle X \rangle$  represents an expectation value  $\mathbb{E}(X)$ .

**Remark 1.1. Expectation values from moments.** Given a complete set of moments  $\{\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})\}$ , the expectation value of any analytic function  $f(q_i)$  of the random variables can be obtained as

$$\langle f(q_i) \rangle = f(0) + \sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\partial^n f}{\partial q_{i_1} \cdots \partial q_{i_n}} \Big|_{q_i=0} \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (1.2)$$

which results from expanding  $f(q_i)$  in a Taylor series, noting that the expectation value is linear, and applying Def 1.1.

**Definition 1.2. Moment and cumulant generating functions of commuting random variables.** Given a set  $\{q_i\}$  of commuting random variables, its *moment-generating function*,  $M(\alpha)$ , and its *cumulant-generating function*,  $K(\alpha)$ , are defined as

$$M(\alpha) \equiv \langle e^{\sum_i \alpha_i q_i} \rangle \quad M(\alpha) = 1 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (1.3)$$

$$K(\alpha) \equiv \ln M(\alpha) = \ln \langle e^{\sum_i \alpha_i q_i} \rangle \quad K(\alpha) = 0 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (1.4)$$

where  $\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  and  $\lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  are (respectively) the *moments* and *cumulants* that they generate. The moments and cumulants are obtained from  $M(\alpha)$  and  $K(\alpha)$  via

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_1} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_n}} \Big|_{\alpha=0} \quad \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \frac{\partial^n K(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_1} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_n}} \Big|_{\alpha=0} \quad (1.5)$$

as can be seen from equations 1.3 and 1.4.

**Proposition 1.1. Moment-cumulant relations of commuting random variables.** The moments and cumulants of a set  $\{q_i\}$  of commuting random variables are related via

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} \lambda(Q_1) \cdots \lambda(Q_k) \quad (1.6)$$

$$\lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \sum_{k=1}^n (-)^{k+1} (k-1)! \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} \gamma(Q_1) \cdots \gamma(Q_k) \quad (1.7)$$

where  $(Q_1, \dots, Q_k) \in \mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  are unique  $k$ -tuple partitions of the product  $q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}$ .<sup>1</sup>

Proof: See Prop A.1.

## 1.2 Moments and cumulants of particle-hole operators

**Remark 1.2. Motivating the form of  $M(\alpha)$  for particle-hole operators.** Just as the expectation value of a function of classical random variables can be obtained from its moment expansion (see Rmk 1.1), the expectation value of an  $m$ -electron Fock space operator (see ??) can be obtained as

$$\langle \Psi | \Omega(q_i) | \Psi \rangle = \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{\substack{p_1 \cdots p_m \\ q_1 \cdots q_m}} \Omega_{p_1 \cdots p_m}^{q_1 \cdots q_m} \gamma(a_{p_1}^\dagger \cdots a_{p_m}^\dagger a_{q_m} \cdots a_{q_1})$$

where  $\gamma(a_{p_1}^\dagger \cdots a_{p_m}^\dagger a_{q_m} \cdots a_{q_1}) = \langle \Psi | a_{p_1}^\dagger \cdots a_{p_m}^\dagger a_{q_m} \cdots a_{q_1} | \Psi \rangle$  is a moment of the particle-hole operators (also known as an  $m$ -particle reduced density matrix). In particular, the electronic energy can be obtained from  $\gamma(a_p^\dagger a_q)$  and  $\gamma(a_p^\dagger a_q^\dagger a_s a_r)$  as

$$E_e = \langle \Psi | H_e(q_i) | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{pq} h_p^q \gamma(a_p^\dagger a_q) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{pqrs} g_{pq}^{rs} \gamma(a_p^\dagger a_q^\dagger a_s a_r) .$$

However, the derivatives of  $\langle \Psi | e^{\sum_i \alpha_i q_i} | \Psi \rangle$  do not generate these moments because the  $q_i$  do not commute. Noting that the operator products defining  $m$ -electron Fock space operators are in vac-normal order, we can generate the moments we need by normal-ordering the exponential in the moment generating function.

$$M(\alpha) \equiv \langle \Psi | :e^{\sum_i \alpha_i q_i} : | \Psi \rangle = 1 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \langle \Psi | :q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n} : | \Psi \rangle \quad (1.8)$$

However, the relation

$$\frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_1} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_n}} = \langle \Psi | :q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n} : | \Psi \rangle \quad (1.9)$$

does not hold if we take  $\alpha$  to consist of ordinary  $\mathbb{C}$ -numbers (the derivative will actually be 0 if  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ). In fact, since  $:q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}:$  is antisymmetric with respect to permutations of  $i_1 \cdots i_n$ , equation 1.9 requires

$$\frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_1} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_n}} = \varepsilon_\pi \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_{\pi(1)}} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_{\pi(n)}}}$$

for consistency, i.e. the probe variable derivatives must anticommute. This is a known property of so-called *Grassmann numbers*, which are “anticommuting numbers” frequently used in studying the statistics of Fermions. (See Cahill and Glauber, *Phys. Rev. A*, **59**, 1538 (1999) for more details).

**Definition 1.3. Grassmann numbers.** A system of particle-hole operators  $\{q_i\}$  can be associated with a set of *Grassmann numbers* which are defined to satisfy  $[\alpha_i, \alpha_j]_+ = [\alpha_i, q_j]_+ = 0$ , i.e. they anticommute among themselves and with all particle-hole operators. Consistency demands that derivatives with respect to Grassmann-valued variables also anticommute, i.e.  $\left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_j} \right]_+ = 0$ , so that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_j} \alpha_j \alpha_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_i} \alpha_i = 1$ .

**Definition 1.4. Moments of particle-hole operators.** Given a set  $\{q_i\}$  of particle-hole operators, their *moments*  $\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  are defined as

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \langle \Psi | :q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n} : | \Psi \rangle \quad (1.10)$$

for a given state  $\Psi$  and ordering  $::$ .

**Definition 1.5. Moment and cumulant generating functions of particle-hole operators.** The *moment-generating function*,  $M(\alpha)$ , and *cumulant-generating function*,  $K(\alpha)$ , of a set  $\{q_i\}$  of particle-hole operators is given by

$$M(\alpha) \equiv \langle \Psi | :e^{\sum_i \alpha_i q_i} : | \Psi \rangle \quad M(\alpha) = 1 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (1.11)$$

$$K(\alpha) \equiv \ln M(\alpha) = \ln \langle \Psi | :e^{\sum_i \alpha_i q_i} : | \Psi \rangle \quad K(\alpha) = 0 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (1.12)$$

<sup>1</sup>These “product partitions” are simply set partitions with each set of operators mapped to their product.

where  $\{\alpha_i\}$  consists of Grassmann variables and  $::$  indicates vac-normal ordering. Moments and cumulants are given by

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \Big|_{\alpha=0} \quad \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \frac{\partial^n K(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \Big|_{\alpha=0} \quad (1.13)$$

where the ordering of partial derivatives has been chosen to yield the correct phase.

**Proposition 1.2. Moment-cumulant relations of particle-hole operators.** *The moments and cumulants of a set  $\{q_i\}$  of particle-hole operators are related via*

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \lambda(Q_1) \cdots \lambda(Q_k) \quad (1.14)$$

$$\lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \sum_{k=1}^n (-)^{k+1} (k-1)! \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \gamma(Q_1) \cdots \gamma(Q_k) \quad (1.15)$$

where  $(Q_1, \dots, Q_k) \in \mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  are unique  $k$ -tuple partitions of the product  $q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}$ . The operators within each block  $Q_i$  of the partition are taken to appear in the same order as they do in the original product, and  $n_{\mathbf{Q}}$  is the number of transpositions required to turn  $q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}$  into  $Q_1 \cdots Q_k$ .

Proof: See Prop A.1.

**Corollary 1.1. Moments and cumulants in terms of  $\Psi$  expectation values.** *In terms of expectation values, the moments and cumulants of a set  $\{q_i\}$  of particle-hole operators can be expressed as*

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \Big|_{\alpha=0} = \langle \Psi | :q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}: | \Psi \rangle \quad (1.16)$$

$$\lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \equiv \frac{\partial^n K(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \Big|_{\alpha=0} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-)^{k+1} (k-1)! \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \langle \Psi | :Q_1: | \Psi \rangle \cdots \langle \Psi | :Q_k: | \Psi \rangle \quad (1.17)$$

which follows directly from equations 1.10 and 1.15.

**Corollary 1.2. The first non-vanishing moments equal their cumulants.** *If all moments of fewer than  $n$  operators vanish then*

$$\lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (1.18)$$

for all  $q_{i_1}, \dots, q_{i_n}$ , which follows from equation 1.15.

## 2 $\Psi$ -normal ordering

**Definition 2.1. Generalized contractions.** *Generalized contractions* are of a set of particle-hole operators  $\{q_i\}$  are a set of scalar functions of one or more of these operators

$$\{\overline{q_{i_1}}, \overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2}}, \overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} q_{i_3}}, \overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} q_{i_3} q_{i_4}}, \dots\}$$

i.e. each  $n$ -tuple contraction  $\overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_n}}$  associates a scalar value with the ordered list of operators  $(q_{i_1}, q_{i_2}, \dots, q_{i_n})$ .

**Definition 2.2.  $\Psi$ -normal order and  $\Psi$ -normal contractions.** The  $\Psi$ -normal order for particle-hole operator strings  $q_1 \cdots q_n$  is defined as<sup>2</sup>

$$:q_1 \cdots q_n: \equiv q_1 \cdots q_n - :\overline{q_1 \cdots q_n}:$$

where the generalized contractions are chosen such that  $\langle \Psi | :q_1 \cdots q_n: | \Psi \rangle = 0$  for all  $n$ . The sets of generalized contractions satisfying these conditions are called  $\Psi$ -normal contractions. Note that this “ordering” is defined such that  $\Psi$  behaves like vac does under vac-normal ordering. In particular,  $??$  carries over for the new normal ordering as  $\langle \Psi | Q | \Psi \rangle = \overline{\overline{Q}}$ , where the sum of complete contractions  $\overline{\overline{Q}}$  now involves more than pairwise contractions.

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<sup>2</sup>: $\overline{q_1 \cdots q_n}$ : is defined by analogy with  $??$ , i.e. the sum of all possible combinations of generalized contractions

**Proposition 2.1. Odd contractions vanish.** For odd  $n$ ,  $\overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_n}} = 0$  if this is a  $\Psi$ -normal contraction and  $\Psi$  has a fixed particle number.

Proof: Applying ?? to a single particle-hole operator, we have  $\bar{q} = \langle \Psi | q | \Psi \rangle = 0$  since  $\Psi$  has a definite particle number.<sup>3</sup> Now, assume the conclusion holds for odd  $n$  and consider the  $(n+2)$ -tuple contraction  $\overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}}}$ . By ?? we have  $\langle \Psi | q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}} | \Psi \rangle = \overline{q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}}} + \overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}}}$  where the prime indicates that the  $(n+2)$ -tuple contraction has been separated out. Since  $\Psi$  has a definite particle number, we have  $\langle \Psi | q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}} | \Psi \rangle = 0$ . Furthermore, every term in  $\overline{q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}}}$  must involve an odd contraction of order  $n$  or less in order to fully contract the product, which means that this term vanishes as well. This leaves  $\overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_{n+2}}} = 0$ , so the conclusion holds in general.

## 2.1 Generalized Wick's theorem

**Lemma 2.1.** The  $\Psi$  expectation value of a string  $Q$  of particle-hole operators is given by

$$\langle \Psi | Q | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}(Q)} (-)^{n_Q} \overline{Q_1} \cdots \overline{Q_k} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\overline{Q}$  represents  $\overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_n}}$ , a contraction of all of the operators in  $Q$ , and  $\mathcal{P}(Q)$  are product partitions of  $Q$ .  $n_Q$  is the number of transpositions required to achieve the permutation  $Q \mapsto Q_1 \cdots Q_k$ .

Proof: By ??, we have  $\langle \Psi | Q | \Psi \rangle = \overline{Q}$ . Furthermore, each complete contraction of  $Q$  partitions of its operators into disjoint subsets  $(Q_1, \dots, Q_k)$  of operators that are contracted with each other. Finally, disentangling the contracted product is achieved by a permutation which places contraction partners adjacent to each other, i.e.  $Q \mapsto Q_1 \cdots Q_k$ . The signature of such a permutation,  $(-)^{n_Q}$ , is unambiguous because odd contractions vanish (see Prop 2.1). Therefore,  $\langle \Psi | Q | \Psi \rangle = \overline{Q} = \sum_{\mathcal{P}(Q)} (-)^{n_Q} \overline{Q_1} \cdots \overline{Q_k}$ .

**Theorem 2.1. Generalized Wick's theorem.** Any operator  $Q$  which is in vac-normal order ( $::$ ) can be expanded as

$$Q = ::Q:: + \overline{Q}:: \quad (2.2)$$

where  $::$  indicates a  $\Psi$ -normal-ordered product and the generalized  $\Psi$ -normal contractions are cumulants. That is,

$$\overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2} \cdots q_{i_n}} = \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) \quad (2.3)$$

for each  $n$ -tuple contraction in  $\overline{Q}::$ .

Proof: Equation 2.2 is required by Def 2.2, so it remains to be proven that the  $\Psi$ -normal contractions are cumulants. The theorem holds for  $n = 2$  since  $\langle \Psi | q_{i_1} q_{i_2} | \Psi \rangle = \overline{q_{i_1} q_{i_2}}$  follows from Lem 2.1 and  $\langle \Psi | q_{i_1} q_{i_2} | \Psi \rangle = \gamma(q_{i_1} q_{i_2}) = \lambda(q_{i_1} q_{i_2})$  by Cor 1.2. Now, assume it holds for all contractions up to  $n$  and consider  $\overline{Q}$  for  $Q$  of length  $n$ . By Lem 2.1, we have

$$\langle \Psi | Q | \Psi \rangle = \gamma(Q) = \overline{Q} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(Q)} (-)^{n_Q} \overline{Q_1} \cdots \overline{Q_k}$$

which gives

$$\overline{Q} = \gamma(Q) - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(Q)} (-)^{n_Q} \lambda(Q_1) \cdots \lambda(Q_k)$$

which implies  $\overline{Q} = \lambda(Q)$  from the moment-cumulant relations (Prop 1.2, equation 1.14). By induction, the claim holds for all  $n$ .

<sup>3</sup>Each  $\mathbb{A}(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes n}) \subset F(\mathcal{H})$  forms an orthogonal subspace of  $F(\mathcal{H})$ .

## A Derivation of the moment-cumulant relations

Note: In this section, sums  $\sum_n$  and  $\sum_k$  without specified ranges should be taken to run from 1 to  $\infty$ .

**Proposition A.1. *Moment-cumulant relations (general).*** *The moments and cumulants of a set  $\{q_i\}$  of random variables are related via*

$$\gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \lambda(Q_1) \cdots \lambda(Q_k) \quad (\text{A.1})$$

$$\lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) = \sum_{k=1}^n (-)^{k+1} (k-1)! \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \gamma(Q_1) \cdots \gamma(Q_k) \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where  $m = 0$  for commuting random variables and  $m = 1$  for particle-hole operators.

Proof: The generating functions are

$$M(\alpha) = \exp K(\alpha) = 1 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$$

$$K(\alpha) = \ln M(\alpha) = 0 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$$

where  $\{\alpha_i\}$  are either ordinary numbers or Grassmann numbers. Defining  $b_n \equiv \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$  and  $c_n \equiv \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \frac{\alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n}}{n!} \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})$ , and Taylor expansion coefficients  $T_k^{\text{exp}} = \frac{1}{k!}$  and  $T_k^{\text{ln}} = \frac{(-)^{k+1}}{k}$ , these can be expanded as

$$M(\alpha) = \exp(0 + \sum_n c_n) = 1 + \sum_k T_k^{\text{exp}} \sum_{n_1 \cdots n_k} c_{n_1} \cdots c_{n_k}$$

$$K(\alpha) = \ln(1 + \sum_n b_n) = 0 + \sum_k T_k^{\text{ln}} \sum_{n_1 \cdots n_k} b_{n_1} \cdots b_{n_k}.$$

To group terms in the summation in powers of the  $\alpha_i$ , the summations can be re-ordered using

$$\sum_k \sum_{n_1 \cdots n_k} \alpha^{n_1 + \cdots + n_k} f_{n_1} \cdots f_{n_k} = \sum_n \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{C}_k(n)} \alpha^n f_{n_1} \cdots f_{n_k} = \sum_n \sum_{k=1}^n k! \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} \alpha^n f_{n_1} \cdots f_{n_k}$$

where  $\mathcal{C}_k(n)$  and  $\mathcal{P}_k(n)$  are  $k$ -tuple integer compositions and partitions (respectively) of  $n$ . That is, each  $(n_1 \cdots n_k)$  is a tuple of positive integers less than  $n$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^k n_i = n$ .  $\mathcal{C}_k(n)$  counts different orderings separately.<sup>4</sup> This rearrangement gives

$$M(\alpha) = 1 + \sum_n \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{exp}} \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} c_{n_1} \cdots c_{n_k}$$

$$K(\alpha) = 0 + \sum_n \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{ln}} \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} b_{n_1} \cdots b_{n_k}$$

and expanding each  $b_{n_i}$  and  $c_{n_i}$  produces

$$M(\alpha) = 1 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n} \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{exp}} \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} \frac{1}{n_1! \cdots n_k!} \lambda(q_{i_{n_1}}) \cdots \lambda(q_{i_{n-n_k+1}} \cdots q_{i_n})$$

$$K(\alpha) = 0 + \sum_n \sum_{i_1 \cdots i_n} \alpha_{i_1} \cdots \alpha_{i_n} \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{ln}} \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} \frac{1}{n_1! \cdots n_k!} \gamma(q_{i_{n_1}}) \cdots \gamma(q_{i_{n-n_k+1}} \cdots q_{i_n}).$$

<sup>4</sup>Example: the *partitions* of 3 are  $\mathcal{P}(3) = \{(3), (2 \ 1), (1 \ 1 \ 1)\}$  and its *compositions* are  $\mathcal{C}(3) = \{(3), (2 \ 1), (1 \ 2), (1 \ 1 \ 1)\}$ . The *2-tuple partitions* of 3 are  $\mathcal{P}_2(3) = \{(2 \ 1)\}$  and its *2-tuple compositions* are  $\mathcal{C}_2(3) = \{(2 \ 1), (1 \ 2)\}$ .

Taking derivatives with respect to the generator arguments, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \right|_{\alpha=0} &= \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{exp}} \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} \frac{1}{n_1! \cdots n_k!} \sum_{\pi}^{S_n} \varepsilon_{\pi}^m \lambda(q_{i_{\pi(1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n_1)}}) \cdots \lambda(q_{i_{\pi(n-n_k+1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n)}}) \\ \left. \frac{\partial^n K(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \right|_{\alpha=0} &= \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{ln}} \sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} \frac{1}{n_1! \cdots n_k!} \sum_{\pi}^{S_n} \varepsilon_{\pi}^m \gamma(q_{i_{\pi(1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n_1)}}) \cdots \gamma(q_{i_{\pi(n-n_k+1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n)}}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $m = 0$  when the  $\alpha_i$  are ordinary variables and  $m = 1$  when they are Grassmann variables. The summations over integer partitions can be re-written in terms of product partitions of  $q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}$ , defined by analogy with set partitions.

$$\sum_{(n_1 \cdots n_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(n)} \frac{1}{n_1! \cdots n_k!} \sum_{\pi}^{S_n} \varepsilon_{\pi}^m f(q_{i_{\pi(1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n_1)}}) \cdots f(q_{i_{\pi(n-n_k+1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n)}}) = \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} f(Q_1) \cdots f(Q_k)$$

This comes from the fact that for each product  $f(q_{i_{\pi(1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n_1)}}) \cdots f(q_{i_{\pi(n-n_k+1)}} \cdots q_{i_{\pi(n)}})$  there are exactly  $n_1! \cdots n_k!$  permutations of the operators within each argument, and these terms are equal (up to a phase factor). These symmetries of  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$  come from the fact that  $\frac{\partial^n}{\partial \alpha_1 \cdots \partial \alpha_n} = \varepsilon_{\pi}^m \frac{\partial^n}{\partial \alpha_{\pi(1)} \cdots \partial \alpha_{\pi(n)}}$  for all  $\pi \in S_n$ . This rearrangement leaves

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \right|_{\alpha=0} &= \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{exp}} \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \lambda(Q_1) \cdots \lambda(Q_k) \\ \left. \frac{\partial^n K(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \right|_{\alpha=0} &= \sum_{k=1}^n k! T_k^{\text{ln}} \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \gamma(Q_1) \cdots \gamma(Q_k) \end{aligned}$$

which, on plugging in  $k! T_k^{\text{ln}} = (-)^{k+1} (k-1)!$  and  $k! T_k^{\text{exp}} = 1$ , gives the final result:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) &\equiv \left. \frac{\partial^n M(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \right|_{\alpha=0} = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \lambda(Q_1) \cdots \lambda(Q_k) \\ \lambda(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n}) &\equiv \left. \frac{\partial^n K(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha_{i_n} \cdots \partial \alpha_{i_1}} \right|_{\alpha=0} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-)^{k+1} (k-1)! \sum_{(Q_1 \cdots Q_k)}^{\mathcal{P}_k(q_{i_1} \cdots q_{i_n})} (-)^{m \cdot n_{\mathbf{Q}}} \gamma(Q_1) \cdots \gamma(Q_k) . \end{aligned}$$