

Exercise Sheet 7 due 25 June 2018

1. Slater determinants

Consider the field-operators $\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) = \sum_j \varphi_j(\vec{r}) c_j$. Show that

$$\langle 0 | \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_2) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_3) c_n^\dagger c_m^\dagger c_k^\dagger | 0 \rangle = \det \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_k(\vec{r}_1) & \varphi_m(\vec{r}_1) & \varphi_n(\vec{r}_1) \\ \varphi_k(\vec{r}_2) & \varphi_m(\vec{r}_2) & \varphi_n(\vec{r}_2) \\ \varphi_k(\vec{r}_3) & \varphi_m(\vec{r}_3) & \varphi_n(\vec{r}_3) \end{vmatrix}$$

2. field operators

Prove the anticommutation relations $\{\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}), \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}')\}$, $\{\hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}), \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}')\}$, and $\{\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}), \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}')\}$ for the field-operators.

3. Hamiltonian in second quantization

In first quantization, the Hamiltonian for N interacting electrons in an external potential $V(\vec{r})$ is given by

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \Delta_{\vec{r}_i} + V(\vec{r}_i) \right) + \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|} = \sum_{i=1}^N T(\vec{r}_i) + \sum_{i < j} U(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_j)$$

Show that for Slater determinants

$$\Psi_{N;a,b,\dots,n}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \langle 0 | \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_2) \cdots \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_N) c_n^\dagger \cdots c_b^\dagger c_a^\dagger | 0 \rangle$$

the matrix elements of the one- and two-body Hamiltonian can be written as

$$\int d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2 \cdots d^3 r_N \Psi_{N;a',b',\dots,n'}^*(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) T \Psi_{N;a,b,\dots,n}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \\ = \left\langle 0 \left| c_{a'} c_{b'} \cdots c_{n'} \left(\sum_{\alpha,\beta} T_{\alpha,\beta} c_\alpha^\dagger c_\beta \right) c_n^\dagger \cdots c_b^\dagger c_a^\dagger \right| 0 \right\rangle$$

where

$$T_{\alpha,\beta} = \int d^3 r \phi_\alpha^*(\vec{r}) T(\vec{r}) \phi_\beta(\vec{r})$$

and

$$\int d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2 \cdots d^3 r_N \Psi_{N;a',b',\dots,n'}^*(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) U \Psi_{N;a,b,\dots,n}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \\ = \left\langle 0 \left| c_{a'} c_{b'} \cdots c_{n'} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta} U_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta} c_\alpha^\dagger c_\beta^\dagger c_\delta c_\gamma \right) c_n^\dagger \cdots c_b^\dagger c_a^\dagger \right| 0 \right\rangle$$

with

$$U_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta} = \int d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2 \phi_\alpha^*(\vec{r}_1) \phi_\beta^*(\vec{r}_2) U(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) \phi_\gamma(\vec{r}_1) \phi_\delta(\vec{r}_2)$$