

Quantum Theory of Many-Body systems in Condensed Matter (4302112) 2020

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Today's class: *Second quantization (Part 2)*

- One-body and two-body operators in terms of creation and destruction operators.
- Density operator.
- Fermi-Dirac and Bose-Einstein distributions.

One-body operators

One-body operator written in a single-particle basis:

$$T_{kj} = \langle \varphi_k | \hat{T} | \varphi_j \rangle \Leftrightarrow \hat{T} = \sum_{kj} T_{kj} | \varphi_k \rangle \langle \varphi_j |$$

Matrix element:
$$T_{kj} = \int d^3 \vec{r} \varphi_k^*(\vec{r}) T(\vec{r}) \varphi_j(\vec{r})$$

Example: kinetic energy

$$K_{kj} = \left(\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \right) \int d^3 \vec{r} \varphi_k^*(\vec{r}) \nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 \varphi_j(\vec{r})$$

Two-body operators

Two-body operator written in a two-particle basis:

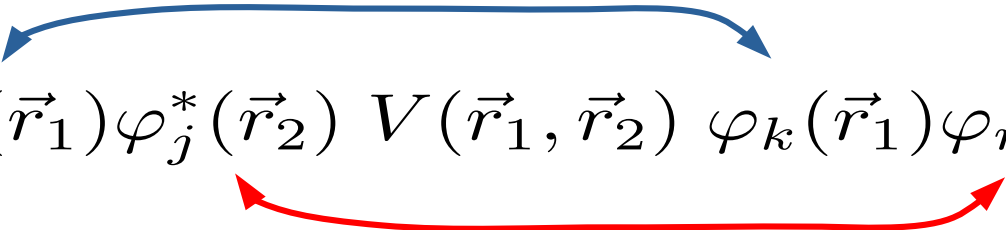
$$|\Phi_\alpha\rangle = S_\pm |\varphi_i\rangle \otimes |\varphi_j\rangle = “|\varphi_i\rangle|\varphi_j\rangle”$$

$$V_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \Phi_\alpha | \hat{V} | \Phi_\beta \rangle \Leftrightarrow \hat{V} = \sum_{\alpha\beta} V_{\alpha\beta} |\Phi_\alpha\rangle \langle \Phi_\beta|$$

Two-body operator written in a single-particle basis:

$$\Rightarrow \hat{V} = \sum_{ijklm} V_{ijklm} |\varphi_i\rangle |\varphi_j\rangle \langle \varphi_k| \langle \varphi_m| + \dots$$

Matrix elements:

$$V_{ijklm} = \int d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2 \varphi_i^*(\vec{r}_1) \varphi_j^*(\vec{r}_2) V(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) \varphi_k(\vec{r}_1) \varphi_m(\vec{r}_2)$$


Operators in the N-body basis

One-body operator written in an N-particle basis:



$$\hat{T}^{(n)} |\varphi_{k_1}\rangle \cdots |\varphi_{k_n}\rangle \cdots |\varphi_{k_N}\rangle = \sum_{ij} T_{kj}^{(n)} \delta_{jk_n} |\varphi_{k_1}\rangle \cdots |\varphi_k\rangle \cdots |\varphi_{k_N}\rangle$$

Sum of N one-body operators written in a N-particle basis:

$$\hat{T}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{T}^{(n)}$$

$$\hat{T}_{\text{tot}} |\varphi_{k_1}\rangle \cdots |\varphi_{k_N}\rangle = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{kj} T_{kj}^{(n)} \delta_{jk_n} |\varphi_{k_1}\rangle \cdots |\varphi_k\rangle \cdots |\varphi_{k_N}\rangle$$

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Position n !

Operators in the N-body bosonic basis

Orbitals: $|\varphi_k\rangle = \hat{b}_k^\dagger |0\rangle \quad \langle\varphi_k| = \langle 0|\hat{b}_k$

One-body operator: $\hat{T} = \sum_{kj} T_{kj} |\varphi_k\rangle \langle\varphi_j|$

Two-body operator: $\hat{V} = \sum_{ijklm} V_{ijklm} |\varphi_i\rangle |\varphi_j\rangle \langle\varphi_k| \langle\varphi_m|$

N-body operators (sum): $\hat{T}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{T}^{(n)}$

$$\hat{V}_{\text{tot}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n,n'=1}^N (n \neq n') \hat{V}^{(n,n')}$$

Operators in the N-body bosonic basis

Number occupation representation:

$$\sum_j n_j = N$$

$$|n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k \dots n_N\rangle \propto (\hat{b}_1^\dagger)^{n_1} (\hat{b}_2^\dagger)^{n_2} \dots (\hat{b}_k^\dagger)^{n_k} \dots (\hat{b}_N^\dagger)^{n_N} |0\rangle$$

Let's show that:



$$\hat{T}_{\text{tot}} |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k \dots n_N\rangle = \sum_{kj} T_{kj} \hat{b}_k^\dagger \hat{b}_j |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k \dots n_j \dots n_N\rangle$$

Now you show that (Assignment):

Notice the order!

$$\hat{V}_{\text{tot}} |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N\rangle = \sum_{ijklm} V_{ijklm} \hat{b}_i^\dagger \hat{b}_j^\dagger \hat{b}_m \hat{b}_k |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N\rangle$$

Operators in second quantized form

We then write (Bosons):

$$\hat{T}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{kj} T_{kj} \hat{b}_k^\dagger \hat{b}_j$$

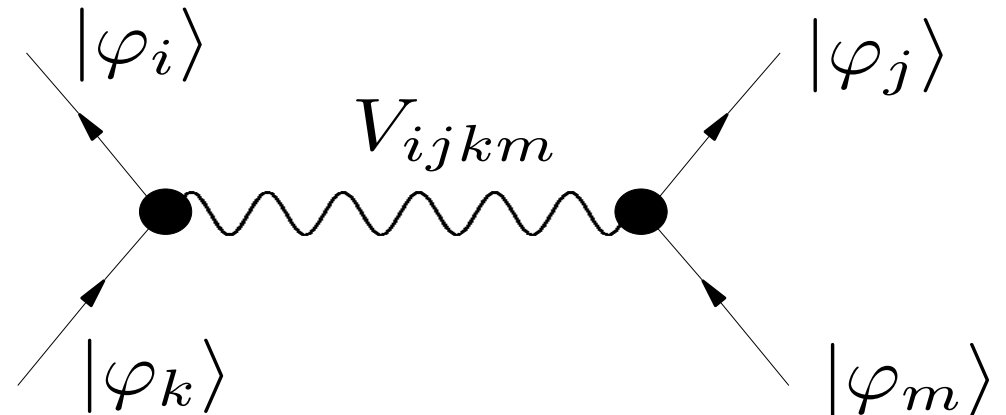
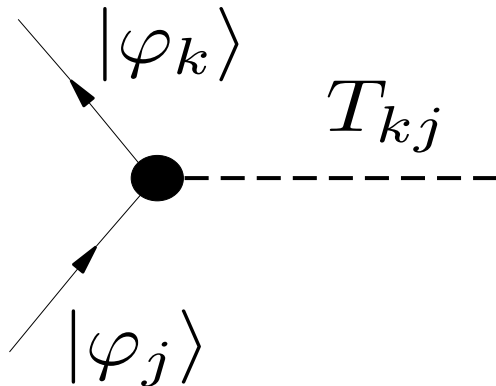
$$\hat{V}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{ijklm} V_{ijklm} \hat{b}_i^\dagger \hat{b}_j^\dagger \hat{b}_m \hat{b}_k$$

It turns out that, for Fermions, they take the same form (Assignment):

$$\hat{T}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{kj} T_{kj} \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_j$$

$$\hat{V}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{ijklm} V_{ijklm} \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_j^\dagger \hat{c}_m \hat{c}_k$$

“Diagrams”:



Example: non-interacting system

Hamiltonian: $\hat{H}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{h}^{(n)}$

Single-particle basis:

$$\hat{h}|\varphi_i\rangle = \epsilon_i|\varphi_i\rangle$$

In this basis:



$$\hat{H}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_k \epsilon_k \hat{n}_k$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{n}_k = \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k \text{ (Fermions)} \\ \hat{n}_k = \hat{b}_k^\dagger \hat{b}_k \text{ (Bosons)} \end{array} \right.$$

Many-body spectrum:

$$\hat{H}_{\text{tot}}|n_1, \dots, n_N\rangle = \left(\sum_k \epsilon_k n_k \right) |n_1, \dots, n_N\rangle$$

$$E_{n_1, \dots, n_N} = \sum_{k=1}^N \epsilon_k n_k$$

Density operator

Canonical :

$$\hat{\rho} \equiv e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{\text{tot}}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$$

Grand-canonical:

$$\hat{\rho}_G \equiv e^{-\beta (\hat{H}_{\text{tot}} - \mu \hat{N})}$$

$$\hat{N} = \sum_{k=1}^N \hat{n}_k$$

Many-particle spectrum:

$$\hat{H}_{\text{tot}} |\alpha\rangle = E_\alpha |\alpha\rangle$$

Partition function:

$$\mathcal{Z} = \sum_{\alpha} e^{-\beta E_\alpha} = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho})$$

Thermal average:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \frac{\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{A})}{\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho})} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \sum_{\alpha} A_\alpha e^{-\beta E_\alpha}$$

Assignment

Given the non-interacting Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{tot}} = \sum_k \epsilon_k \hat{n}_k$$

calculate the grand-canonical thermal average of \hat{n}_k

$$\langle \hat{n}_k \rangle = \frac{\text{Tr} (\hat{\rho}_G \hat{n}_k)}{\text{Tr} (\hat{\rho}_G)}$$

for both Bosons and for Fermions.