

Phys 211 B, HW problems (1)

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1. Warm up on second quantization:

Suppose we have a many-electron system with Coulomb interaction.

In the first quantization, the Hamiltonian can be written as

$$H_1 = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_i^2 + U(r_i) \right)$$

$$H_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{e^2}{|r_i - r_j|}$$

The easiest way to go from the first to the second quantization is through the field operator  $\psi_\sigma(r)$ , which means the annihilation of a particle at  $r$  with spin  $\sigma$ . In terms of the field operator,  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  can be represented as

$$H_1 = \int dr \psi_\sigma^\dagger(r) \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + U(r) \right) \psi_\sigma(r),$$

$$H_2 = \frac{1}{2} \int dr_1 dr_2 \psi_\sigma^\dagger(r_1) \psi_{\sigma'}^\dagger(r_2) V(r_1 - r_2) \psi_{\sigma'}(r_2) \psi_\sigma(r_1),$$

where  $V(r_1 - r_2) = \frac{e^2}{|r_1 - r_2|}$ .

a) Show that in a general single particle complete and orthogonal basis, by using the mode expansion

$$\psi_\sigma(r) = \sum_{i\sigma} \underbrace{\phi_i(r)}_{\text{basis}} a_{i\sigma}, \quad \text{where } a_{i\sigma} \text{ is the annihilation operator for the state } \phi_i(r),$$

we arrive at

$$H_1 = \sum_{i,j} \langle i | H_1 | j \rangle a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{j\sigma} = \sum_{i,j} \left\{ \int \phi_i^*(r) \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + U(r) \right) \phi_j(r) dr \right\} a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{j\sigma}$$

$$H_2 = \frac{e^2}{2} \sum_{\substack{i,j,k \\ \sigma\sigma'}} \int dr dr' \frac{\phi_i^*(r) \phi_j^*(r') \phi_k(r') \phi_l(r)}{|r-r'|} a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{j\sigma'}^\dagger a_{l\sigma'} a_{k\sigma}$$

b) in the jellium model,  $U(r)$  is taken as constant. We can use the plane wave basis, i.e.  $\phi_{k\sigma}(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}}$  and  $a_{k\sigma}$ . Show that

$$H_1 = \sum_{\vec{k}} \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma}, \text{ and}$$

$$H_2 = \frac{1}{2V} \sum_{\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{q}} V(q) a_{\vec{k}_1 - \vec{q}, \sigma}^\dagger a_{\vec{k}_2 + \vec{q}, \sigma'}^\dagger a_{\vec{k}_2, \sigma'} a_{\vec{k}_1, \sigma}, \text{ where } V(q) = \frac{4\pi e^2}{q^2}.$$

(We assume the system is three dimensional).

2. Derive the Hartree-Fock equation from the variational principle.

a) Suppose we have a set of single particle basis  $\phi_{i_1}(r) \dots \phi_{i_n}(r)$

with associated annihilation operators  $a_{i_1, \sigma}, a_{i_2, \sigma}, \dots, a_{i_n, \sigma}, \dots$ .

Show that the expectation value of  $\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle$ , where

$$|\Psi\rangle = a_{i_1, \sigma_1}^\dagger a_{i_2, \sigma_2}^\dagger \dots a_{i_n, \sigma_n}^\dagger |0\rangle \text{ and } H = H_1 + H_2 \text{ defined in problem 1,}$$

equals

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$$\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{i\omega_i} n_{i\omega_i} \int dr \left\{ \phi_i^*(r) \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + u(r) \right) \phi_i(r) \right\} \\ + \frac{e^2}{2} \sum_{j\sigma\sigma'} n_{j\sigma} n_{j\sigma'} \int dr dr' \left\{ \frac{|\phi_j(r)|^2 |\phi_j(r')|^2}{|r-r'|} - \delta_{\sigma\sigma'} \frac{\phi_j^*(r) \phi_j^*(r') \phi_j(r) \phi_j(r')}{|r-r'|} \right\}$$

b) With the constraint  $\int dr |\phi_i(r)|^2 = 1$  for  $i=1, \dots, n$ .

Show that, by the variational principle, the Hartree-Fock equations reads

$$\left\{ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + u(r) + \sum_{j\sigma'} n_{j\sigma'} \int dr' \frac{|\phi_j(r')|^2}{|r-r'|} \right\} \phi_i(r) |\sigma\rangle$$

$$- \left\{ \sum_j \frac{n_{j\sigma'}}{\delta_{\sigma\sigma'}} \int dr' \frac{\phi_j^*(r') \phi_j(r)}{|r-r'|} \phi_i(r') |\sigma\rangle \right\} = \lambda_{i,\sigma} \phi_i(r) |\sigma\rangle,$$

where  $|\sigma\rangle$  is the spin eigenstate.

c) Show that, in the approximation of the jellium model,

the plane wave states where each electron fills in the Fermi sphere,

~~and~~ satisfy the above equation.

③ exchange hole:  $|\Psi\rangle$

Consider the state with every electron filling in the plane wave state in the Fermi sphere with Fermi wavevector  $k_F$ . The density

correlation function is defined as

$$G_{\sigma\sigma'}(r, r') = \langle \Psi | \rho_{\sigma}(r) \rho_{\sigma'}(r') | \Psi \rangle - \langle \Psi | \rho_{\sigma}(r) | \Psi \rangle \langle \Psi | \rho_{\sigma'}(r') | \Psi \rangle.$$

a) Show that for  $\sigma \neq \sigma'$ , we have  $G_{\sigma\sigma'}(r, r') = 0$ .

b) Show that for  $\sigma = \sigma'$ , ~~where~~ we have

$$G_{\sigma\sigma}(r, r') = - \left[ \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\vec{k} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot (\vec{r} - \vec{r}')} \Theta(k_F - k) \right]^2$$

c) Do the above integral, and show

$$\frac{G_{\sigma\sigma}(r, r')}{(\langle \Psi | \rho_{\sigma} | \Psi \rangle)^2} = -9 \left( \frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^3} \right)^2, \quad (x = k_F |r - r'|)$$

and plot this function.