

Exercise Sheet “Topics in Mathematical Physics”

Sheet Number 7

Due: Monday 08.12.25, 10 a.m., Letterbox 3.13, Ernst-Zemelo-Str. 1.
Please try handing in as pairs

Exercise 18:

(4 Points)

Let $\phi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$, $a_{N,\phi} : L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N}) \rightarrow L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3(N-1)})$ and its adjoint $a_{N,\phi}^* : L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3(N-1)}) \rightarrow L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})$ defined as

$$(a_{N,\phi}\psi)(x_1, \dots, x_{N-1}) = \sqrt{N} \int \overline{\phi(x)} \psi(x, x_1, \dots, x_{N-1}) dx$$
$$(a_{N,\phi}^*\psi)(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^N (-1)^{j+1} \phi(x_j) \psi(x_1, \dots, x_{j-1}, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_N)$$

Show that

$$a_{N+1,\phi} a_{N+1,\phi}^* + a_{N,\phi}^* a_{N,\phi} = \|\phi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)}^2.$$

Exercise 19:

(4 Points)

Let γ_N be a fermionic density matrix on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})$ of the form $\gamma_N = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$ where $\psi \in L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})$. Show that $\forall \psi \in L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})$,

$$\langle \phi, \gamma_N^{(1)} \phi \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)} = \langle a_{N,\phi} \psi, a_{N,\phi} \psi \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3(N-1)})}$$

where $\gamma_N^{(1)} = N \operatorname{tr}_{2,\dots,N}(\gamma_N)$ and $a_{N,\phi}$ as defined in Exercise 18.

Exercise 20:

(4 Points)

Let γ_N be a fermionic density matrix. Show that the one-body reduced density matrix $\gamma_N^{(1)}$ associated with γ_N satisfies $\gamma_N^{(1)} \leq 1$ in the sense $\langle \phi, \gamma_N^{(1)} \phi \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)} \leq \|\phi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)}^2$.

HINT: Show that w.l.o.g. one can restrict the proof to pure states $\gamma_N = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$ where $\psi \in L_a^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})$ with $\|\psi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})} = 1$. Use the Exercises 18 and 19.