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7 The 1-Particle Many-body Green's Function

7.1 Green's Function in Single-Particle Systems

Ex 7.1

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{G}_0(E)^{-1} - \mathbf{G}(E)^{-1} \tag{7.1.1}$$

thus

$$\mathbf{G}_0(E)\mathbf{V}\mathbf{G}(E) = \mathbf{G}_0(E)[\mathbf{G}_0(E)^{-1} - \mathbf{G}(E)^{-1}]\mathbf{G}(E)$$
$$= \mathbf{G}(E) - \mathbf{G}_0(E)$$
(7.1.2)

i.e.

$$\mathbf{G}(E) = \mathbf{G}_0(E) + \mathbf{G}_0(E)\mathbf{V}\mathbf{G}(E) \tag{7.1.3}$$

Ex 7.2

a. When x = 0,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}}{\mathrm{d}x^{2}}|x|\Big|_{x=0} = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{\frac{\mathrm{d}|x|}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big|_{x=\epsilon} - \frac{\mathrm{d}|x|}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big|_{x=-\epsilon}}{2\epsilon} \qquad (\epsilon > 0)$$

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1 - (-1)}{2\epsilon}$$

$$= \infty$$
(7.1.4)

otherwise,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{d}x^2}|x| = \frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{d}x^2}[x\,\mathrm{sgn}(x)]$$

$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}[1\times\mathrm{sgn}(x) + x\times 0]$$

$$= 0 \tag{7.1.5}$$

b.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{d}x^2} |x| \mathrm{d}x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} |x|\right)$$

$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} |x| \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$= 1 - (-1)$$

$$= 2 \tag{7.1.6}$$

thus

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{d}x^2}|x| = 2\delta(x) \tag{7.1.7}$$

 $\mathbf{c}.$

$$\frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}}a(x) = \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} dx' |x - x'| b(x')$$

$$= \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{x} dx' (x - x') b(x') + \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}} \frac{1}{2} \int_{x}^{\beta} dx' [-(x - x')] b(x')$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{x} dx' b(x') - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{2} \int_{x}^{\beta} dx' b(x')$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} b(x) - \frac{1}{2} [-b(x)]$$

$$= b(x) \tag{7.1.8}$$

Ex 7.3

$$\left(E + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}}\right) G_{0}(x, x', E) = \left(E + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}}\right) \frac{1}{i(2E)^{1/2}} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} \\
= \frac{E}{i(2E)^{1/2}} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{i(2E)^{1/2}} \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} \\
= \frac{E}{i(2E)^{1/2}} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{i(2E)^{1/2}} \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} i(2E)^{1/2} \frac{d}{dx} |x-x'| \right] \\
= \frac{E}{i(2E)^{1/2}} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} + \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} i(2E)^{1/2} \left(\frac{d}{dx} |x-x'| \right)^{2} + e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} \frac{d^{2}}{dx^{2}} |x-x'| \right] \\
= \frac{E}{i(2E)^{1/2}} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} + \frac{1}{2} e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} \left[i(2E)^{1/2} \times 1 + 2\delta(x-x') \right] \\
= e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} \left[\frac{E}{i(2E)^{1/2}} + \frac{-E}{i(2E)^{1/2}} + \delta(x-x') \right] \\
= e^{i(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} \delta(x-x') \\
= \delta(x-x') \tag{7.1.9}$$

Ex 7.4

$$\phi_{n}(x)\phi_{n}^{*}(x') = \lim_{E \to E_{n}} (E - E_{n}) \frac{1}{\mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2}} \left[e^{\mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2}|x-x'|} - \frac{e^{\mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2}(|x|+|x'|)}}{1 + \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2}} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{E \to -1/2} (E + 1/2) \frac{1}{-1} \left[e^{-|x-x'|} - \frac{e^{-(|x|+|x'|)}}{1 + \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2}} \right]$$

$$= -\lim_{E \to -1/2} (E + 1/2) e^{-|x-x'|} + \lim_{E \to -1/2} (E + 1/2) \frac{e^{-(|x|+|x'|)}}{1 + \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2}}$$

$$= 0 + \lim_{E \to -1/2} (E + 1/2) \frac{e^{-(|x|+|x'|)}(1 - \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2})}{(1 + \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2})(1 - \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2})}$$

$$= \lim_{E \to -1/2} (E + 1/2) \frac{e^{-(|x|+|x'|)}(1 - \mathrm{i}(2E)^{1/2})}{1 + 2E}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{-(|x|+|x'|)} (1 - (-1))$$

$$= e^{-(|x|+|x'|)}$$

$$(7.1.10)$$

Let x = x',

$$\phi_n^2(x) = e^{-2|x|} \tag{7.1.11}$$

thus

$$\phi_n(x) = e^{-|x|} \tag{7.1.12}$$

Ex 7.5

$$\mathcal{H}\phi = \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \delta(x) \right] e^{-|x|}
= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{-|x|} \left(-\frac{d}{dx} |x| \right) \right] - \delta(x) e^{-|x|}
= \frac{1}{2} \left[-e^{-|x|} \left(\frac{d}{dx} |x| \right)^2 + e^{-|x|} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} |x| \right] - \delta(x) e^{-|x|}
= \frac{1}{2} \left[-e^{-|x|} + e^{-|x|} \times 2\delta(x) \right] - \delta(x) e^{-|x|}
= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|}$$
(7.1.13)

thus the eigenvalue is $-\frac{1}{2}$.

Ex 7.6

a.

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(x, t) = i \int dx' \frac{\partial G(x, x', t)}{\partial t} \psi(x')$$

$$= \int dx' \, \mathcal{H} G(x, x', t) \psi(x')$$

$$= \mathcal{H} \phi(x, t)$$
(7.1.14)

b. From

$$i\frac{\partial G(x, x', t)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{H}G(x, x', t)$$
(7.1.15)

we get

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \int_0^\infty dt \, \mathrm{i} \, \frac{\partial G(x, x', t)}{\partial t} [-\mathrm{i} \, \mathrm{e}^{(\mathrm{i} \, E - \varepsilon)t}] = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \int_0^\infty dt \, \mathcal{H} \, G(x, x', t) [-\mathrm{i} \, \mathrm{e}^{(\mathrm{i} \, E - \varepsilon)t}] \tag{7.1.16}$$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \int_0^\infty dt \frac{\partial G(x, x', t)}{\partial t} e^{(iE - \varepsilon)t} = \int_0^\infty dt \, \mathcal{H} G(x, x', t) [-ie^{iEt}]$$

$$= \mathcal{H} G(x, x', E)$$
(7.1.17)

thus

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \left[G(x, x', t) e^{(iE - \varepsilon)t} \Big|_{t=0}^{\infty} - \int_{0}^{\infty} dt G(x, x', t) e^{(iE - \varepsilon)t} (iE - \varepsilon) \right] = \mathcal{H} G(x, x', E)$$
 (7.1.18)

$$\mathcal{H}G(x, x', E) = -G(x, x', 0) - i E \int_0^\infty dt G(x, x', t) e^{i Et}$$

$$= -G(x, x', 0) - i EG(x, x', E) / (-i)$$

$$= -\delta(x - x') + EG(x, x', E)$$
(7.1.19)

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$$(E - \mathcal{H})G(x, x', E) = \delta(x - x') \tag{7.1.20}$$

c.

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{G}(t) = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} e^{-i \mathcal{H} t}$$

$$= i e^{-i \mathcal{H} t} (-i \mathcal{H})$$

$$= \mathcal{H} \mathcal{G}(t)$$
(7.1.21)

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \int_0^\infty dt \, e^{(iE-\varepsilon)t} \, i \, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathscr{G}(t) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \int_0^\infty dt \, e^{(iE-\varepsilon)t} \, \mathscr{H} \mathscr{G}(t) \tag{7.1.22}$$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \left[e^{(iE - \varepsilon)t} \mathcal{G}(t) \Big|_{0}^{\infty} - (iE - \varepsilon) \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \, e^{(iE - \varepsilon)t} \mathcal{G}(t) \right] = \mathcal{H} \mathcal{G}(E)$$
 (7.1.23)

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$$\mathcal{H}\mathscr{G}(E) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \left[-\mathscr{G}(0) - (iE - \varepsilon) \int_0^\infty dt \, e^{(iE - \varepsilon)t} \, \mathscr{G}(t) \right]$$

$$= -\mathscr{G}(0) + E\mathscr{G}(E)$$

$$= -1 + E\mathscr{G}(E)$$
(7.1.24)

thus

$$\mathscr{G}(E) = \frac{1}{E - \mathscr{H}} \tag{7.1.25}$$