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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.

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

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

$$= 1 - (-1)$$

$$= 2$$
(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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$$(E - \mathcal{H})G(x, x', E) = \delta(x - x')$$
 (7.1.20)

 $\mathbf{c}.$ 

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

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

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

∴.

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

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

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

thus

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

### 7.2 The 1-Particle Many-body Green's Function

#### 7.2.1 The Self-Energy

Ex 7.7

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_{ij}^{(2)}(E) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ars} \frac{\langle rs \parallel ia \rangle \, \langle ja \parallel rs \rangle}{E + \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_s} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{abr} \frac{\langle ab \parallel ir \rangle \, \langle jr \parallel ab \rangle}{E + \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ars} \frac{(\langle rs \mid ia \rangle - \langle rs \mid ai \rangle) (\langle ja \mid rs \rangle - \langle ja \mid sr \rangle)}{E + \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_s} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{abr} \frac{(\langle ab \mid ir \rangle - \langle ab \mid ri \rangle) (\langle jr \mid ab \rangle - \langle jr \mid ba \rangle)}{E + \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_b} \end{split}$$

In the 1st summation:

To make the terms non-zero, the spin of r is fixed in the first and last term, and r, s, a are all fixed in the second and third term, thus

the 1st term = 
$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ars}^{N/2} \frac{1}{E + \varepsilon_{a} - \varepsilon_{r} - \varepsilon_{s}} [2 \langle rs | ia \rangle \langle ja | rs \rangle - \langle rs | ai \rangle \langle ja | rs \rangle - \langle rs | ia \rangle \langle ja | sr \rangle + 2 \langle rs | ai \rangle \langle ja | sr \rangle]$$

$$= \sum_{ars}^{N/2} \frac{1}{E + \varepsilon_{a} - \varepsilon_{r} - \varepsilon_{s}} [2 \langle rs | ia \rangle \langle ja | rs \rangle - \langle rs | ia \rangle \langle ja | sr \rangle]$$

$$= \sum_{ars}^{N/2} \frac{\langle rs | ia \rangle [2 \langle ja | rs \rangle - \langle aj | rs \rangle]}{E + \varepsilon_{a} - \varepsilon_{r} - \varepsilon_{s}}$$
(7.2.2)

Similarly,

$$\Sigma_{ij}^{(2)}(E) = \sum_{ars}^{N/2} \frac{\langle rs \mid ia \rangle \left[ 2 \langle ja \mid rs \rangle - \langle aj \mid rs \rangle \right]}{E + \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_s} + \sum_{abr}^{N/2} \frac{\langle ab \mid ir \rangle \left[ 2 \langle jr \mid ab \rangle - \langle rj \mid ab \rangle \right]}{E + \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_b}$$
(7.2.3)

Ex 7.8

$$[\mathbf{G}_{0}(E)]_{ij} = \sum_{m} \frac{\left\langle {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \middle| a_{i}^{\dagger} a_{m} \middle| {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle \left\langle a_{m}{}^{N}\Psi_{0} \middle| a_{j} \middle| {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle}{E - \left(\left\langle {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \middle| \mathscr{H} \middle| {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle - \left\langle a_{m}{}^{N}\Psi_{0} \middle| \mathscr{H} \middle| a_{m}{}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle)} + \sum_{p} \frac{\left\langle {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \middle| a_{j} a_{p}^{\dagger} \middle| {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle \left\langle a_{p}^{\dagger} \mathcal{H} \Psi_{0} \middle| a_{i}^{\dagger} \middle| {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle}{E + \left(\left\langle {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \middle| \mathscr{H} \middle| {}^{N}\Psi_{0} \right\rangle - \left\langle a_{p}^{\dagger} \mathcal{H} \Psi_{0} \middle| \mathscr{H} \middle| a_{p}^{\dagger} \mathcal{H} \Psi_{0} \right\rangle}$$

$$= \sum_{m} \frac{\delta_{im} \delta_{mj}}{E - \varepsilon_{m}} + 0$$

$$= \sum_{m} \frac{\delta_{ij}}{E - \varepsilon_{m}}$$

$$(7.2.4)$$

## 7.2.2 The Solution of the Dyson Equation

## 7.3 Application of the Formalism to H<sub>2</sub> and HeH<sup>+</sup>

Ex 7.9

a.

$$^{N+1}\mathcal{E}_0 =$$
 (7.3.1)

**Ex 7.10** Since

$$\Sigma_{11}^{(2)}(\varepsilon_1) = \frac{K_{12}}{\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_1 - 2\varepsilon_2}$$

$$= \frac{K_{12}}{2(\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2)}$$
(7.3.2)

$$\Sigma_{11}^{(3)}(\varepsilon_{1}) = \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} - 2J_{12} + K_{12})}{(\varepsilon_{1} - 2\varepsilon_{2} + \varepsilon_{1})^{2}} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{11} - 2J_{12} + K_{12})}{(\varepsilon_{1} - 2\varepsilon_{2} + \varepsilon_{1})(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(2J_{12} - K_{12} - J_{11})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} - 2J_{12} + K_{12})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{11} - 2J_{12} + K_{12})}{2(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(2J_{12} - K_{12} - J_{11})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} + J_{11} - 4J_{12} + 2K_{12})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}}$$

$$(7.3.3)$$

thus

$$\Sigma_{11}^{(2)}(\varepsilon_1) = E_0^{(2)} \tag{7.3.4}$$

$$\Sigma_{11}^{(3)}(\varepsilon_1) = E_0^{(3)} \tag{7.3.5}$$

Similarly,

$$\Sigma_{22}^{(2)}(\varepsilon_2) = \frac{K_{12}}{\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_2 - 2\varepsilon_1}$$

$$= \frac{K_{12}}{2(\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1)}$$
(7.3.6)

$$\Sigma_{22}^{(3)}(\varepsilon_{2}) = \frac{K_{12}^{2}(2J_{12} - K_{12} - J_{11})}{(\varepsilon_{2} - 2\varepsilon_{1} + \varepsilon_{2})^{2}} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} - 2J_{12} + K_{12})}{(\varepsilon_{2} - 2\varepsilon_{1} + \varepsilon_{2})(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} + K_{12} - 2J_{12})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{K_{12}^{2}(2J_{12} - K_{12} - J_{11})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}} - \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} - 2J_{12} + K_{12})}{2(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}} + \frac{K_{12}^{2}(J_{22} + K_{12} - 2J_{12})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{K_{12}^{2}(-J_{11} - J_{22} + 4J_{12} - 2K_{12})}{4(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2}}$$

$$(7.3.7)$$

thus

$$\Sigma_{22}^{(2)}(\varepsilon_2) = -E_0^{(2)} \tag{7.3.8}$$

$$\Sigma_{22}^{(3)}(\varepsilon_2) = -E_0^{(3)} \tag{7.3.9}$$

Ex 7.11

Ex 7.12

## 7.4 Perturbation Theory and the Green's Function Method

Ex 7.13

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## 7.5 Some Illustrative Calculations

Ex 7.16