

# Homework 04

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## 2.13

### 2.13.1

$$a(t) = U^\dagger(t)aU(t), \quad (2.13.1)$$

$$\frac{da}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar}U^\dagger(t)[H(t), a]U(t), \quad (2.13.2)$$

$$= -i\omega U^\dagger(t)aU(t), \quad (2.13.3)$$

$$= -i\omega a(t). \quad (2.13.4)$$

$$a(t) = a_0 e^{-i\omega t}, \quad (2.13.5)$$

$$a^\dagger(t) = a_0^\dagger e^{i\omega t}. \quad (2.13.6)$$

### 2.13.2

$$\left[ a(t), a^\dagger(t') \right] = e^{i\omega(t'-t)}(a_0 a_0^\dagger - a_0^\dagger a_0), \quad (2.13.7)$$

$$= e^{i\omega(t'-t)} \left[ a_0, a_0^\dagger \right], \quad (2.13.8)$$

$$= e^{i\omega(t'-t)}. \quad (2.13.9)$$

## 2.14

$$\langle 0 | \hat{x}(t) \hat{x}(t') | 0 \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \langle 0 | (a(t) + a^\dagger(t))(a(t) + a^\dagger(t)) | 0 \rangle, \quad (2.14.1)$$

$$= \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \langle 0 | a(t) a^\dagger(t) | 0 \rangle, \quad (2.14.2)$$

$$= \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} e^{i\omega(t'-t)}. \quad (2.14.3)$$

## 2.15

$$\langle \mathbf{r} | \frac{1}{|\hat{p}|} | \mathbf{r}' \rangle = \int \frac{d^3 q' d^3 q}{(2\pi)^6} \langle \mathbf{r} | \mathbf{q} \rangle \langle \mathbf{q} | \frac{1}{|\hat{p}|} | \mathbf{q}' \rangle \langle \mathbf{q}' | \mathbf{r}' \rangle, \quad (2.15.1)$$

$$= \int \frac{d^3 q d^3 q'}{(2\pi)^3} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}(\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}' \cdot \mathbf{q}')} \frac{1}{\hbar |q'|} \delta^3(q - q'), \quad (2.15.2)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\pi^2 \hbar |r - r'|^2}. \quad (2.15.3)$$

## 3.1

Let  $\Lambda$  be such that  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0$ .

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi^* \psi + \psi^* \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi \right), \quad (3.1.1)$$

$$= \frac{i}{\hbar} (-H \psi^* \psi + \psi^* H \psi), \quad (3.1.2)$$

$$= \frac{i}{2m\hbar} \left( -\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \psi^* \psi + \hbar^2 \psi^* \nabla^2 \psi + \frac{i\hbar e}{c} \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla \psi^* \psi + \frac{i\hbar e}{c} \psi^* \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla \psi \right), \quad (3.1.3)$$

$$= \frac{i\hbar}{2m} (\psi^* \nabla^2 \psi - \nabla^2 \psi^* \psi) + \frac{e}{mc} \mathbf{A} \cdot (\nabla \psi^* \psi + \psi^* \nabla \psi). \quad (3.1.4)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j} = \nabla \cdot (\psi^* \nabla \psi - \nabla \psi^* \psi) - \frac{e}{mc} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{A} \rho), \quad (3.1.5)$$

$$= \frac{i\hbar}{2m} (\psi^* \nabla^2 \psi - \nabla^2 \psi^* \psi) - \frac{e}{mc} \mathbf{A} \cdot (\nabla \psi^* \psi + \psi^* \nabla \psi). \quad (3.1.6)$$

Since 3.1.4 and 3.1.6 are negatives of each other, the continuity equation holds.

## 3.2

### 3.2.1

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \Phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}, \quad (3.2.1)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \Lambda + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \Lambda, \quad (3.2.2)$$

$$= 0. \quad (3.2.3)$$

$$B = \nabla \wedge \mathbf{A}, \quad (3.2.4)$$

$$= -\nabla \wedge \nabla \Lambda, \quad (3.2.5)$$

$$= 0. \quad (3.2.6)$$

### 3.2.2

## 3.3

## 3.4