

1 Evolution of operators

a. Time evolution of fermionic annihilator

Solution: Our hamiltonian for this problem is

$$H_0 = \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma}. \quad (1)$$

We can prove trivially by using Taylor series for t that

$$[e^{\pm iH_0 t}, H_0] = 0. \quad (2)$$

If we take the following relation

$$[ABC, D] = AB[C, D] + A[B, D]C + [A, D]BC, \quad (3)$$

we can easily calculate the next commutator

$$\begin{aligned} [e^{iH_0 t} c_{k\sigma} e^{-iH_0 t}, H_0] &= e^{iH_0 t} c_{k\sigma} [e^{-iH_0 t}, H_0] + e^{iH_0 t} [c_{k\sigma}, H_0] e^{-iH_0 t} + [e^{iH_0 t}, H_0] c_{k\sigma} e^{-iH_0 t}, \\ &= e^{iH_0 t} [c_{k\sigma}, H_0] e^{-iH_0 t}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Finally we can use the relation

$$[A, BC] = B[A, C] + [A, B]C, \quad (5)$$

to calculate the following commutator

$$\begin{aligned} [c_{k\sigma}, c_{j\gamma}^\dagger c_{j\gamma}] &= c_{j\gamma}^\dagger [c_{k\sigma}, c_{j\gamma}] + [c_{k\sigma}, c_{j\gamma}^\dagger] c_{j\gamma}, \\ &= c_{j\gamma}^\dagger (c_{k\sigma} c_{j\gamma} - c_{j\gamma} c_{k\sigma}) + (c_{k\sigma} c_{j\gamma}^\dagger - c_{j\gamma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma}) c_{j\gamma}, \\ &= c_{j\gamma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} c_{j\gamma} + c_{k\sigma} c_{j\gamma}^\dagger c_{j\gamma} - (c_{j\gamma}^\dagger c_{j\gamma} c_{k\sigma} + c_{j\gamma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} c_{j\gamma}), \\ &= \{c_{j\gamma}^\dagger, c_{k\sigma}\} c_{j\gamma} - c_{j\gamma}^\dagger \{c_{j\gamma}, c_{k\sigma}\}, \\ &= \delta_{jk} \delta_{\sigma\gamma} c_{j\gamma}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Where in the last step we used the anti-commutation rules of the fermionic creation and annihilation operators.

Now we can finally start. Let's consider the time evolution equation in the Heisenberg picture

$$i \frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = [c_{k\sigma}(t), H_0], \quad (7)$$

taking

$$c_{k\sigma}(t) = e^{iH_0 t} c_{k\sigma} e^{-iH_0 t}, \quad (8)$$

the time evolution equation takes the form

$$i \frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = [e^{iH_0 t} c_{k\sigma} e^{-iH_0 t}, H_0]. \quad (9)$$

Luckily we can use eq. 4 to move further and obtain

$$i \frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = e^{iH_0 t} [c_{k\sigma}, H_0] e^{-iH_0 t}. \quad (10)$$

Now is time to plug the hamiltoninan into this commutator

$$i \frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = e^{iH_0 t} [c_{k\sigma}, \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma}] e^{-iH_0 t}, \quad (11)$$

since the commutator is linear and $\varepsilon_k \in \mathbb{R}$ we can transform the equation to this one

$$i \frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = e^{iH_0 t} \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k [c_{k\sigma}, c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma}] e^{-iH_0 t}, \quad (12)$$

and at this point we are lucky again, because now we can use eq. 6 to continue our calculations

$$\begin{aligned} i \frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) &= e^{iH_0 t} \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k \delta_{jk} \delta_{\sigma\gamma} c_{j\gamma} e^{-iH_0 t}, \\ &= e^{iH_0 t} \varepsilon_k c_{k\sigma} e^{-iH_0 t}, \\ &= \varepsilon_k e^{iH_0 t} c_{k\sigma} e^{-iH_0 t}, \\ &= \varepsilon_k c_{k\sigma}(t), \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

therefore

$$\frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = -i \varepsilon_k c_{k\sigma}(t), \quad (14)$$

at this point the equation looks very familiar, and *if it looks like a duck, swims like a duck, and quacks like a duck, then it probably is a duck.* To make sure we suppose it is

$$c_{k\sigma}(t) = e^{\alpha t} c_{k\sigma}. \quad (15)$$

If we differentiate this operator with respect to t , we will have

$$\frac{d}{dt} c_{k\sigma}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} e^{\alpha t} c_{k\sigma} = \alpha e^{\alpha t} c_{k\sigma} = \alpha c_{k\sigma}(t). \quad (16)$$

Comparing eqs. 14 and 16 we finally get that

$$\alpha = -i \varepsilon_k, \quad (17)$$

so finally, our solution will be

$$c_{k\sigma}(t) = e^{-i \varepsilon_k t} c_{k\sigma}. \quad \blacksquare \quad (18)$$

There are two ways of getting the creation operator, the hard one would be to repeat similar calculations with $c_{k\sigma}^\dagger$, which we will not perform here. The easy one is just to take

$$c_{k\sigma}^\dagger(t) = (c_{k\sigma}(t))^\dagger = (e^{-i \varepsilon_k t} c_{k\sigma})^\dagger = e^{i \varepsilon_k t} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger. \quad (19)$$

2 Non-interacting Green function

Codes attached

3 Matsubara sums and chemical potential

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