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2-3 A Trial Generalization

Sup we have N uncoupled harmonic.

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{k=1}^N \hat{H}_k$$

$$\hat{H}_k = \frac{\hat{p}_k^2}{2m_k} + \frac{1}{2} m_k \omega_k \hat{x}_k^2$$

$$a_k^\dagger |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N\rangle \propto |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k+1, \dots\rangle$$

$$a_k^\dagger |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N\rangle \propto |n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k-1, \dots\rangle.$$

$$[a_k^\dagger, a_q^\dagger] = 0$$

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$$[a_k^\dagger, a_q^\dagger] = \delta_{kq}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{H} = \sum_{k=1}^N \hbar \omega_k (a_k^\dagger a_k + \frac{1}{2})$$

$$|n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_1! n_2! \dots n_N!}} (a_1^\dagger)^{n_1} (a_2^\dagger)^{n_2} \dots (a_N^\dagger)^{n_N} |0, 0, \dots, 0\rangle$$

$|n_1, \dots, n_N\rangle$ called Occupation number representation.

$$\text{or } |\sum n_k \rangle = \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_k!}} (a_k^\dagger)^{n_k} |0\rangle$$