Flavor wave model homework problems

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A. In this part, we will develop a method solving the ground state without diagonalizing the Hamiltonian.

(1). Assume a particle can be discribed by spin only, with $S = 1$. and the Hamiltonian is

$$H = S_z.$$

Write down the matrix form for H, the eigenstates of H and their energies. We will write down the ground state to be $|a_0\rangle$

(2). Assume a initial state to be $|\psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(1, 1, 1)$. Let $\varepsilon = 10^{-2}$. Calculate

$$|\phi_1\rangle = 1 - \varepsilon H |\psi_0\rangle$$

$$|\psi_1\rangle = \frac{|\phi_1\rangle}{\langle\phi_1|\phi_1\rangle}$$

Look at the $|\psi_1\rangle$, and show that there are more weights of ground state in $|\psi_1\rangle$ thatn $|\psi_0\rangle$.

(3). Define

$$|\phi_{n+1}\rangle = 1 - \varepsilon H |\psi_n\rangle$$

$$|\psi_{n+1}\rangle = \frac{|\phi_{n+1}\rangle}{\langle\phi_{n+1}|\phi_{n+1}\rangle}.$$

Draw (i)$|\langle a_0|\psi_n\rangle|^2$ as a function of n. and (ii) $\langle\psi_n|H|\psi_n\rangle$ as a function of n. Also try with differenct positive values of ε and see how the value will change the speed of converging.

(4). repeat (2) and (3) with $|\psi_0\rangle = (0, 1, 0)$ (5). For a general Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} E_i |a_i\rangle \langle a_i|$$