

1. Consider the hamiltonian

$$H = \int d^3p \left\{ \epsilon(\mathbf{p}) a_{\mathbf{p}}^* a_{\mathbf{p}} + \gamma(\mathbf{p}) \left[a_{\mathbf{p}} a_{-\mathbf{p}} + a_{\mathbf{p}}^* a_{-\mathbf{p}}^* \right] \right\},$$

where (as usual) $[a_{\mathbf{p}}, a_{\mathbf{q}}^*] = \delta^3(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})$.

(a) Perform a Bogoliubov transformation to diagonalize H to write it in the free-particle form

$$H = E_0 + \int d^3p E(\mathbf{p}) c_{\mathbf{p}}^* c_{\mathbf{p}}.$$

That is, calculate how $c_{\mathbf{p}}$ is related to $a_{\mathbf{p}}$ and $a_{-\mathbf{p}}^*$, in order to ensure H has this form and also and verify that $[c_{\mathbf{p}}, c_{\mathbf{q}}^*] = \delta^3(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})$.

(b) What are $E(\mathbf{p})$ and E_0 in terms of $\epsilon(\mathbf{p})$ and $\gamma(\mathbf{p})$?

(c) If $|\Omega\rangle$ is the ground state, defined by $c_{\mathbf{p}}|\Omega\rangle = 0$, what is its energy? What is the mean number of the original particles $\langle \Omega | c_{\mathbf{p}}^* c_{\mathbf{p}} | \Omega \rangle$ in this state?

2. Verify that the electromagnetic energy can be written in the harmonic oscillator form. That is rewrite

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \left[\mathbf{E}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2 \right]$$

in terms of $a_{\mathbf{p}\lambda}$ using $\mathbf{E} = -\partial_t \mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$ where

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sum_{\lambda=\pm 1} \int \frac{d^3k}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{k})}} \left[a_{\mathbf{k}\lambda} \mathbf{e}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-i\omega(\mathbf{k})t + i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} + a_{\mathbf{k}\lambda}^* \mathbf{e}_{\lambda}^*(\mathbf{k}) e^{i\omega(\mathbf{k})t - i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \right]$$

with $\omega(\mathbf{k}) = |\mathbf{k}|$ and $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{\lambda}(\mathbf{k}) = 0$ and $[a_{\mathbf{k}\lambda}, a_{\mathbf{q}\lambda}^*] = \delta^3(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q}) \delta_{\lambda\lambda}$. Be sure to always use the operator ordering $AB \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\{AB + BA\}$ as discussed in class. Show that the final form of H can be written

$$H = E_0 + \sum_{\lambda=\pm 1} \int d^3k |\mathbf{k}| a_{\mathbf{k}\lambda}^* a_{\mathbf{k}\lambda}.$$

and derive an integral expression for E_0 .