

Consider the following eigenstates of a hypothetical quantum system.

$ 000\rangle = (1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0)^\dagger$	no fermions
$ 100\rangle = (0\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0)^\dagger$	one fermion in state ϕ_1
$ 010\rangle = (0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0)^\dagger$	one fermion in state ϕ_2
$ 001\rangle = (0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 0)^\dagger$	one fermion in state ϕ_3
$ 110\rangle = (0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0)^\dagger$	two fermions, one in state ϕ_1 , one in state ϕ_2
$ 101\rangle = (0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0)^\dagger$	two fermions, one in state ϕ_1 , one in state ϕ_3
$ 011\rangle = (0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1)^\dagger$	two fermions, one in state ϕ_2 , one in state ϕ_3

Let fermion states ϕ_n be modeled by a one dimensional box of length L .

$$\phi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

Fermion creation operators are formed from outer products of state vectors. Sign changes make the operators antisymmetric.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{b}_1^\dagger &= |100\rangle\langle 000| - |110\rangle\langle 010| - |101\rangle\langle 001| && \text{Create one fermion in state } \phi_1 \\ \hat{b}_2^\dagger &= |010\rangle\langle 000| + |110\rangle\langle 100| - |011\rangle\langle 001| && \text{Create one fermion in state } \phi_2 \\ \hat{b}_3^\dagger &= |001\rangle\langle 000| + |101\rangle\langle 100| + |011\rangle\langle 010| && \text{Create one fermion in state } \phi_3 \end{aligned}$$

Fermion annihilation operators are the adjoint of creation operators.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{b}_1 &= (\hat{b}_1^\dagger)^\dagger && \text{Annihilate one fermion in state } \phi_1 \\ \hat{b}_2 &= (\hat{b}_2^\dagger)^\dagger && \text{Annihilate one fermion in state } \phi_2 \\ \hat{b}_3 &= (\hat{b}_3^\dagger)^\dagger && \text{Annihilate one fermion in state } \phi_3 \end{aligned}$$

Given the wavefunction operator

$$\hat{\psi} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{n,m} \phi_n(x)\phi_m(y)\hat{b}_n\hat{b}_m$$

show that

$$\hat{\psi}|110\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_1(x)\phi_2(y) - \phi_1(y)\phi_2(x))|000\rangle$$

$$\hat{\psi}|101\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_1(x)\phi_3(y) - \phi_1(y)\phi_3(x))|000\rangle$$

$$\hat{\psi}|011\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_2(x)\phi_3(y) - \phi_2(y)\phi_3(x))|000\rangle$$