

Mathematical Quantum Mechanics 2
(aka. Mathematical Methods in Quantum Mechanics 2)
7. Homework

Exercise 16

Let V be self-adjoint on G and compact. Consider the Lieb-Thirring inequality

$$\mathrm{tr}_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \otimes G}((P^2 \otimes \mathbf{1} + V)_-^\gamma) \leq C_{\gamma,d}^{op} L_{\gamma,d}^{cl} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathrm{tr}_G(V_-^{\gamma + \frac{d}{2}}) dx, \quad (1)$$

with optimal constant $C_{\gamma,d}^{op} L_{\gamma,d}^{cl}$, where $L_{\gamma,d}^{cl}$ is the (fixed) classical Lieb-Thirring constant. Assume the following three properties:

$$C_{\gamma,d}^{op} \leq C_{\gamma,n}^{op} C_{\gamma + \frac{n}{2}, d-n}^{op} \quad \forall 1 \leq n \leq d-1, \quad (\text{Submultiplicativity}) \quad (2)$$

$$1 \leq C_{\gamma_1,d}^{op} \leq C_{\gamma_2,d}^{op} \quad \forall \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2, \quad (\text{Monotonicity}) \quad (3)$$

$$C_{\frac{3}{2},1}^{op} = 1, \quad (\text{Exact value}). \quad (4)$$

Show that

$$C_{0,d}^{op} \leq C_{0,n}^{op} \quad \forall d > n \geq 3.$$

Exercise 17

Given V such that $(P^2 + V)_- \in \mathcal{S}^1(\mathcal{H})$, and $\sigma_{ess}(P^2 + V) \subset [0, \infty)$, show that

$$-\mathrm{tr}((P^2 + V)_-) = \inf_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}^1, 0 \leq \sigma \leq 1} \mathrm{tr}(\sigma(P^2 + V)), \quad (5)$$

where $0 \leq \sigma \leq 1$ is understood in the sense that $\sigma = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \lambda_j |\varphi_j\rangle \langle \varphi_j|$ for some orthonormal family $(\varphi_j)_j$ in \mathcal{H} , and $0 \leq \lambda_j \leq 1$, $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j < \infty$.

Exercise 18

Consider a non-negative, convex function $G : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ and define its Legendre transformation as

$$G(s) = \sup_{t \geq 0} (st - F(t)).$$

Prove that the following are equivalent:

- The Lieb-Thirring bound

$$\mathrm{tr}((P^2 + V)_-) \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G(V_-(x)) dx, \quad (6)$$

- The Thomas-Fermi bound

$$\langle \psi, \sum_{n=1}^N P^2 \psi \rangle_{\Lambda^N L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} F(\varrho_\psi(x)) dx, \quad (7)$$

for all $\psi \in \Lambda^N L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with norm one, and where

$$\varrho_\psi(x) = N \int_{\mathbb{R}^{(N-1)d}} |\psi(x, x_2, \dots, x_N)|^2 dx_2 \dots dx_N.$$