## Exercises

The eight states of the system  $|t, u, v\rangle \equiv (a_1^{\dagger})^t (a_2^{\dagger})^u (a_3^{\dagger})^v |0, 0, 0\rangle$ . We can represent them by eight 8-vectors each of which has seven 0's with a 1 in position 4t + 2u + v + 1. How big should the matrices that represent the creation and annihilation operators be? Write down the three matrices that represent the three creation operators.

- 1.38 Show that the Schwarz inner product (1.430) is degenerate because it can violate (1.79) for certain density operators and certain pairs of states.
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- 1.40 The coherent state  $|\{\alpha_k\}\rangle$  is an eigenstate of the annihilation operator  $a_k$  with eigenvalue  $\alpha_k$  for each mode k of the electromagnetic field,  $a_k|\{\alpha_k\}\rangle = \alpha_k|\{\alpha_k\}\rangle$ . The positive-frequency part  $E_i^{(+)}(x)$  of the electric field is a linear combination of the annihilation operators

$$E_i^{(+)}(x) = \sum_k a_k \,\mathcal{E}_i^{(+)}(k) \,e^{i(kx-\omega t)}.$$
(1.453)

Show that  $|\{\alpha_k\}\rangle$  is an eigenstate of  $E_i^{(+)}(x)$  as in (1.442) and find its eigenvalue  $\mathcal{E}_i(x)$ .