PHY 6645 - Quantum Mechanics I - Fall 2011 Homework set # 8, due October 19

1. Let $H(\lambda)$ be the Hamiltonian of a system which depends explicitly upon a parameter λ . Consider the eigenvalues $E_n(\lambda)$ and eigenstates $|E_n(\lambda)\rangle$ of $H(\lambda)$. Show that

$$\langle E_n(\lambda)|\frac{dH}{d\lambda}|E_n(\lambda)\rangle = \frac{dE_n}{d\lambda}$$
, (0.1)

for all n.

2. Show that the free particle one-dimensional Schrödinger equation is invariant with respect to Galilian transformations. Do this by showing that, when the transformation x' = x - vt, t' = t is applied, the transformed wavefunction $\psi'(x',t') = f(x,t)\psi(x,t)$, with f(x,t) a phase factor, is a solution with respect to the primed variables if $\psi(x,t)$ is a solution with respect to the unprimed ones. Find the phase factor f(x,t), and show that the travelling wave solution $\psi(x,t) = Ae^{i(xt-\omega t)}$ transforms as expected.

3. Problems 7.3.1, 7.3.4 and 7.3.6 in Shankar's book.