Solution to Ex. 6.22

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Show that $\hat{E}(\kappa)$ (Eq. (6.158)) is real, non-negative, with

$$\hat{E}(\mathbf{\kappa}) = \hat{E}(-\mathbf{\kappa}) \tag{1}$$

Solution

From definition of $\hat{E}(\mathbf{\kappa})$ we can easily write that

$$\hat{E}(\mathbf{\kappa}) = \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \hat{u}_{i}^{*}(\mathbf{\kappa}, t) \hat{u}_{i}(\mathbf{\kappa}, t) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \hat{u}_{i}(-\mathbf{\kappa}, t) \hat{u}_{i}^{*}(-\mathbf{\kappa}, t) \right\rangle = \hat{E}(-\mathbf{\kappa})$$
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