

## CORRELATION LENGTH OF THE ONE-DIMENSIONAL BOSE GAS

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The exact expression for correlation length in the one-dimensional Bose gas is obtained at any value of coupling constant and temperature.

### 1. Introduction

Recently the method of calculation of the current correlation function for the one-dimensional Bose gas was created [1-3]. In this paper we consider the one-dimensional Bose gas. The hamiltonian of the system is

$$H = \int_0^L dx (\partial_x \Psi^+ \partial_x \Psi + c \Psi^+ \Psi^+ \Psi \Psi - h \Psi^+ \Psi),$$
$$[\Psi(x), \Psi^+(y)] = \delta(x-y). \quad (1)$$

Here  $L$  is the length of a box,  $c$  a coupling constant ( $c > 0$ )  $h$  a chemical potential ( $h > 0$ ). In the thermodynamical limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$  and  $N \rightarrow \infty$  ( $N$  the number of the particles),  $\rho = N/L$  fixed.

Exact eigenfunctions of  $H$  were constructed in [4]. The model was embedded in a quantum inverse scattering method in [7-11]. The zero-temperature case was solved in [4, 5]. The thermodynamical properties of the system were evaluated in the paper [6].

Let us consider an  $N$ -particle wave function with periodical boundary conditions. The system of equations for the permitted values of particles momenta looks like [4, 6]

$$\lambda_j L + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^N \Theta(\lambda_j - \lambda_k) = 2\pi n_j. \quad (2)$$

Here  $\Theta(\lambda) = i \ln \{(\lambda + ic)/(\lambda - ic)\} - \pi$ ,  $n_j$  is the set of integer numbers ( $n_j \neq n_k$  when  $j \neq k$ , a consequence of the Pauli principle [14]). It should be mentioned [6] that there exists a one-to-one correspondence for any set  $\{n\}$  and eigenfunctions of the hamiltonian (1). Using the symmetry (Bose) of the wave function, we can put

$$n_{j+1} > n_j, \quad \lambda_{j+1} > \lambda_j. \quad (3)$$

Taking the sum of all equations in (2), we find

$$LR = 2\pi \sum_{j=1}^N n_j, \quad R = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j. \tag{4}$$

Here  $R$  is the total momentum of the system. Further we shall consider the particles in the center-of-mass system, i.e.  $R = 0$ . Eq. (4) then implies

$$\sum_{j=1}^N n_j = 0. \tag{5}$$

In the thermodynamic limit eq. (2) can be rewritten in the form [6]

$$2\pi\rho_t(\lambda) = 2\pi[\rho(\lambda) + \rho_h(\lambda)] = 1 + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K(\lambda, \mu)\rho(\mu) d\mu, \tag{6}$$

$$K(\lambda, \mu) = \frac{\partial\Theta(\lambda, \mu)}{\partial\lambda} = \frac{2c}{c^2 + (\lambda - \mu)^2}. \tag{7}$$

Here  $\rho(\lambda)$  is the distribution function of particles and  $\rho_h(\lambda)$  is the distribution function of holes (the exact definition of this function see in [6]) and  $\rho_t(\lambda)$  is the distribution of vacancies.

The function  $\rho(\lambda)$  is a positive bounded function. The physical density  $\rho$  is

$$0 < \rho = \frac{N}{L} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho(\lambda) d\lambda. \tag{8}$$

It can be shown that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \leq \rho_t(\lambda) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c}\rho \right). \tag{9}$$

This estimate can be derived from the restriction on the permitted values of the particle momenta in the Dirac sea [12]:

$$|\lambda_{k+1} - \lambda_k| \geq \frac{2\pi}{L} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c}\rho \right)^{-1}.$$

Now we want to calculate the grand canonical partition function of the model. Let us consider

$$Z = \text{tr} e^{-H/T} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Z_N, \tag{10}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Z_N &= \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_N=-\infty}^{\infty} \langle \{n\} | e^{-H/T} | \{n\} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_N=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-E_N/T}. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Here  $E_N = \sum_{j=1}^N (\lambda_j^2 - h)$  and  $|\{n\}\rangle$  is the eigenfunction of the hamiltonian which corresponds to the set  $\{n\}$ . Using (3), (5) we can rewrite (11) in the form

$$\begin{aligned} Z_N &= \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=n_1+1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_N=n_{N-1}+1}^{\infty} e^{-E_N/T} \\ &= \sum_{n_{2,1}=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_{3,2}=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_{N,N-1}=1}^{\infty} e^{-E_N/T}. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Here in the last term we pass to the new variables

$$n_{j+1,j} \equiv n_{j+1} - n_j, \quad \sum n_j = 0. \quad (13)$$

Let us calculate the ratio of the number of vacancies and number of particles (in the neighbourhood of given momenta  $\lambda_j$ ) in terms of microscopic and macroscopic variables:

$$\frac{n \text{ of vac.}}{n \text{ of part}} = n_{j+1,j}, \quad \frac{n \text{ of vac.}}{n \text{ of part}} = \frac{\rho_t(\lambda_j)}{\rho(\lambda_j)}. \quad (14)$$

By means of this formula we can pass now from microscopic variables  $n_j$  to macroscopic  $\rho_t(\lambda)$ ,  $\rho(\lambda)$ . As mentioned by Yang and Yang [6] the given  $\rho(\lambda)$  does not define  $\{n\}$  in a unique way, for at the fixed  $\rho(\lambda)$  there exists

$$\prod_{\lambda} \frac{[\rho_t(\lambda) d\lambda]!}{[\rho(\lambda) d\lambda]! [\rho_h(\lambda) d\lambda]!}$$

different configurations  $\{n\}$ . Taking into account this fact and formula (14) we can rewrite (10), (12) for the large system ( $L \rightarrow \infty$ ) in the form of a functional integral

$$Z = \text{const} \int \left[ \prod_{\lambda} D \frac{\rho_t(\lambda)}{\rho(\lambda)} \right] e^{-X/T}, \quad (15)$$

where  $X$  is

$$\begin{aligned} X &= L \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\lambda^2 - h) \rho(\lambda) d\lambda - LT \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} [\rho_t(\lambda) \ln \rho_t(\lambda) - \rho(\lambda) \ln \rho(\lambda) \\ &\quad - \rho_h(\lambda) \ln \rho_h(\lambda)] d\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

When  $L$  tends to infinity we may evaluate the integral in (15) by the method of steepest descent. We should minimize the functional  $X$  subject to the constraint (6) ( $\delta^2 X > 0$ , see [6]); this procedure leads to the equation which defines the state of the thermodynamical equilibrium of the model:

$$\varepsilon(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - h - \frac{T}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K(\lambda, \mu) \ln [1 + e^{-\varepsilon(\mu)/T}] d\mu. \quad (16)$$

Here  $\varepsilon(\lambda) \equiv T \ln [\rho_h(\lambda)/\rho(\lambda)]$  and  $T$  is the temperature. The Fermi factor  $\vartheta(\lambda)$

will play an important role below:

$$\vartheta(\lambda) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\{\varepsilon(\lambda)/T\}}. \tag{17}$$

Let us emphasize that the state of thermal equilibrium is not the pure one (it is not the eigenstate of the hamiltonian). This state is a mixture of the eigenstates. Let us denote by  $|\phi_T\rangle$  one of these eigenstates.

In our paper we consider the correlation function of the currents  $j(x) = \Psi^+(x)\Psi(x)$ :

$$\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle = \frac{\text{tr}[e^{-H/T}j(x)j(0)]}{\text{tr}[e^{-H/T}]}. \tag{18}$$

For the large system we can again express the trace as the functional integral and evaluate it by the method of steepest descent:

$$\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle = \frac{\langle \phi_T | j(x)j(0) | \phi_T \rangle}{\langle \phi_T | \phi_T \rangle}. \tag{19}$$

Here  $|\phi_T\rangle$  is one of the eigenstates of the hamiltonian which corresponds to the state of thermal equilibrium. In [1] we proved that the right-hand side of (19) does not depend on the particular choice of  $|\phi_T\rangle$ .

In the frame of perturbation theory the correlation functions of the model were studied in [13].

The right-hand side of (19) was calculated in [1-3] in the form of the series

$$\begin{aligned} \langle j(x)j(0) \rangle &= \langle :j(x)j(0): \rangle - \langle j(0) \rangle^2 = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \Gamma_k(x), \\ \langle :j(x)j(0): \rangle &= \langle j(x)j(0) \rangle - \delta(x)\langle j(0) \rangle. \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

Here

$$\langle j(0) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho(\lambda) d\lambda = \rho.$$

The first two terms of the decomposition are equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_2(x) &= -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\lambda_1 \omega(\lambda_1) \vartheta(\lambda_1) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\lambda_2 \omega(\lambda_2) \vartheta(\lambda_2) \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 + ic}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - ic} \right) \left[ \frac{p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} \right]^2 e^{xp(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_3(x) &= \frac{c}{2\pi^3} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^3 \omega(\lambda_j) \vartheta(\lambda_j) d\lambda_j \right\} \left[ \frac{p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} \right]^2 \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 + ic}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - ic} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda_3 - \lambda_2}{\lambda_3 - \lambda_1} + \frac{\lambda_3 - \lambda_1}{\lambda_3 - \lambda_2} \right) \frac{\exp\{xp(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)\}}{(\lambda_3 - \lambda_1 + ic)(\lambda_2 - \lambda_3 + ic)}. \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

The principal value of the integral must be taken in (22). The statistical weight  $\omega(\lambda)$  is

$$\omega(\lambda) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K(\lambda, \mu) \vartheta(\mu) d\mu \right\},$$

$$0 < \omega(\lambda) < 1.$$
 (23)

The function  $p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  is

$$p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = -i(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \vartheta(t) P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2).$$
 (24)

The function  $P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  is defined in a unique way by the dressing nonlinear equation

$$1 + 2\pi P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \left( \frac{\lambda_1 - t + ic}{\lambda_1 - t - ic} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda_2 - t - ic}{\lambda_2 - t + ic} \right) \exp \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K(t, s) \vartheta(s) P(s, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) ds \right\}$$
 (25)

and by inequality  $\text{Re } P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \leq 0$ . Its domain of definition is  $\text{Im } \lambda_1 = \text{Im } \lambda_2 = \text{Im } t = 0$ . A detailed investigation of eq. (25) and function  $P$  will be given in the next section.

We shall further need the expression for the correlation function at zero temperature. Explicitly it is given in [2, 3]. At  $T=0$  eq. (16) becomes

$$\varepsilon_0(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - h + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-q}^q K(\lambda, \mu) \varepsilon_0(\mu) d\mu.$$
 (26)

The bare Fermi momentum  $q$  is defined in a unique way from

$$\varepsilon_0(q) = 0.$$
 (27)

(We shall use further the subindex "zero" for the quantities at  $T=0$ .) The function  $\varepsilon_0(\lambda)$  is negative when  $-q < \lambda < q$  and is positive when  $\lambda > q$ ,  $\lambda < -q$ . Using this property it is easy to take the limit  $T \rightarrow 0$  in (21)-(25) writing

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) \vartheta(t) dt \rightarrow \int_{-q}^q f(t) dt.$$
 (28)

## 2. Integral equations

Let us consider the integral operator  $\hat{K}_T$ . If  $f$  is any normalized function then

$$(\hat{K}_T f)(\lambda) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} K(\lambda, \mu) \vartheta(\mu) f(\mu) d\mu.$$
 (29)

To get some estimates on its eigenvalues we construct the operator  $\tilde{K}$  with the kernel

$$\tilde{K}(\lambda, \mu) = \sqrt{\vartheta(\lambda)} K(\lambda, \mu) \sqrt{\vartheta(\mu)}.$$

The operator  $\hat{K}_T$  is similar to the operator  $\tilde{K}$ . It can be shown that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f^2(\lambda) \left( 1 - \frac{\vartheta(\lambda)}{2\pi\rho(\lambda)} \right) \geq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\lambda \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\mu f(\lambda)f(\mu) \tilde{K}(\lambda, \mu). \quad (30)$$

Here  $f$  is an arbitrary function. Thus from (30) and (9) we get the estimate on the eigenvalues  $|K|$  of  $\hat{K}_T$ :

$$0 < \frac{1}{2\pi} |K| \leq \frac{2\rho}{c + 2\rho}. \quad (31)$$

It follows that the eigenvalues of  $\hat{K}_T$  range between 0 and 1, or more precisely, they are different from 1 with a gap of order  $(1 + 2\rho/c)^{-1}$ . Using these properties of  $\hat{K}_T$  we can prove that the solution of the integral equation (25) exists.

Let us rewrite (25) in the form

$$1 + 2\pi P(t) = a(t) \exp \{ (\hat{K}_T P)(t) \}, \quad \text{Re } P(t) \leq 0. \quad (32)$$

Here  $|a(t)| = 1$ . Define further the sequence  $P_n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_0 &= 0, \\ P_{n+1}(t) &= \frac{a(t)}{2\pi} \exp \{ (\hat{K}_T P_n)(t) \} - \frac{1}{2\pi} \\ &\quad (n = 0, 1, \dots, \infty). \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

We shall prove now that this functional sequence converges. First we show that if  $\text{Re } P_n \leq 0$  then  $\text{Re } P_{n+1} \leq 0$ . Clearly, we have

$$|a(t) \exp \{ \hat{K}_T P_n \}| \leq 1 \Rightarrow \text{Re } a(t) \exp \{ \hat{K}_T P_n \} \leq 1.$$

Thus,  $\text{Re } P_{n+1} \leq 0$ . Here we have used the positiveness of the kernel of the operator  $\hat{K}_T$ . Now we can prove

$$|P_{n+1}(t) - P_n(t)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} (\hat{K}_T |P_n - P_{n-1}|)(t). \quad (34)$$

Subtract

$$P_n(t) = \frac{a(t)}{2\pi} \exp \{ (\hat{K}_T P_{n-1})(t) \} - \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

from (33) to obtain

$$P_{n+1}(t) - P_n(t) = \frac{a(t)}{2\pi} [e^{(\hat{K}_T P_n)(t)} - e^{(\hat{K}_T P_{n-1})(t)}]. \quad (35)$$

Let us use the well-known inequality

$$|e^{z_1} - e^{z_2}| \leq |z_1 - z_2|.$$

Here  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are two complex numbers from the left half-plane  $\text{Re } z_{1,2} \leq 0$ . It is

now possible to complete the proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 |P_{n+1}(t) - P_n(t)| &= \frac{1}{2\pi} |e^{\hat{K}_T P_n} - e^{\hat{K}_T P_{n-1}}| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} |\hat{K}_T(P_n - P_{n-1})| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} (\hat{K}_T |P_n - P_{n-1}|)(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since the eigenvalues of  $(1/2\pi)\hat{K}_T$  are less than unity but greater than zero (31), the sequence  $P_n$  converges in  $L_2$  and its limit satisfy (25). It should be mentioned that if  $a(t)$  is real then  $P(t)$  is real also.

The uniqueness theorem can be proved similarly. Assume that  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are two different solutions of (25). Subtracting one from the other we obtain

$$|P_1(t) - P_2(t)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} (\hat{K}_T |P_1 - P_2|)(t).$$

Now we multiply this relation by  $\vartheta(t)|P_1 - P_2|$  and integrate it to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f^2(t) dt - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} ds \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt f(s) f(t) \tilde{K}(s, t) &\leq 0, \\
 f(t) &= \sqrt{\vartheta(t)} |P_1(t) - P_2(t)|,
 \end{aligned}$$

in contradiction to (30); so  $P_1 = P_2$ .

Therefore if  $a(t) = 1$  then  $P = 0$ . Notice that if  $|a(t)|$  in (32) is less than unity the uniqueness theorem and the theorem of existence can be proved similarly. It means that the function  $P$  can be analytically continued with respect to  $\lambda$ . In the next section we shall need the analytical continuation with respect to  $\lambda_2$  into the upper half-plane and with respect to  $\lambda_1$  into the lower one. It follows from

$$|a(t)| \leq 1, \quad a(t) = \left( \frac{\lambda_1 - t + ic}{\lambda_1 - t - ic} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda_2 - t - ic}{\lambda_2 - t + ic} \right),$$

that  $P$  could be analytically continued without singularities into the domain

$$\text{Im } t = 0, \quad \text{Im } \lambda_1 \leq 0, \quad \text{Im } \lambda_2 \geq 0. \tag{36}$$

We want now to investigate some other properties of the  $P$ -function. Let us prove that in the domain of definition

$$|P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)| \leq \frac{1}{\pi}. \tag{37}$$

Clearly

$$|P(t)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} |a(t) e^{(\hat{K}_T P)(t)}| + \frac{1}{2\pi} \leq \frac{1}{\pi}.$$

This inequality and (9) give

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \vartheta(t) P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \vartheta(t) \leq 2\rho. \tag{38}$$

This means that  $P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  slightly differs from  $-i(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)(p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \sim -i(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2))$ .

The rest of the properties of the  $P$ -function we shall enumerate without proof:

- (i) if  $a(t) \neq 1$ ,  $t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are finite, then  $\text{Re } P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \neq 0$ ;
- (ii)  $\bar{P}(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = P(\bar{t}, \bar{\lambda}_2, \bar{\lambda}_1)$ ,  $\bar{p}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = p(\bar{\lambda}_2, \bar{\lambda}_1)$ ;
- (iii)  $P(t, \lambda, \lambda) = 0$ ;
- (iv)  $P(-t, -\lambda_1, -\lambda_2) = P(t, \lambda_2, \lambda_1)$ ;
- (v) when  $\lambda_1 = \bar{\alpha}, \lambda_2 = \alpha$  ( $\text{Im } \alpha > 0, \text{Im } t = 0$ )  $P(t, \bar{\alpha}, \alpha)$  is real since  $a(t)$  is real;  $p(\bar{\alpha}, \alpha)$  is real;
- (vi) for  $c \rightarrow \infty$

$$P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \frac{1}{i\pi c} (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c} \rho \right) - \frac{1}{\pi c^2} (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)^2 + O\left(\frac{1}{c^3}\right), \tag{39}$$

$$\rho(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c} \rho \right) \vartheta(\lambda) + O\left(\frac{1}{c^3}\right), \tag{40}$$

$$p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = -i(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c} \rho \right) - \frac{2}{c^2} (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)^2 \rho + O\left(\frac{1}{c^3}\right). \tag{41}$$

We shall use these properties to calculate the asymptotics of correlator in the next section.

To conclude this section let us analyze the equation for  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  (16). This equation has a unique solution [6] with the properties

$$\varepsilon(\lambda) = \varepsilon(-\lambda), \tag{42}$$

$$\bar{\varepsilon}(\bar{\lambda}) = \varepsilon(\lambda), \tag{43}$$

$$\varepsilon(\lambda) \xrightarrow{\lambda \rightarrow \pm\infty} \lambda^2. \tag{44}$$

$\varepsilon(\lambda)$  has no singularities on the real axis.

Let us try to continue  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  into the upper half-plane. It is easily seen that with the help of (16) we can continue  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  up to  $\text{Im } \lambda = c$ . Within this region  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  has the asymptotic  $\lambda^2$  when  $\lambda \rightarrow \pm\infty$ . At  $\text{Im } \lambda = c$  the kernel  $K$  becomes singular. If we want to continue  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  further than  $\text{Im } \lambda > c$  it is sufficient to shift the contour of integration into the upper half-plane  $0 < \text{Im } \mu < c$ . It is clear that we can do so up to the point  $\alpha$ , where

$$\vartheta^{-1}(\alpha) = 1 + e^{\varepsilon(\alpha)/T} = 0, \quad \text{Im } \alpha > 0. \tag{45}$$

The function  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$ , however, can be continued further with the help of (16). We thus obtain that the first singularity of  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  is  $\alpha + ic$  (the contour of integration is locked by singularities of  $\ln(1 + \exp\{-\varepsilon(\lambda)/T\})$  and  $K(\lambda, \mu)$ ). It is easy to prove



that the solution of (45) necessarily exists. In fact, if  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  is continued into the complex plane so that  $1 + \exp \{ \varepsilon(\lambda) / T \}$  has no zeros we could continue  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  into an entire complex plane without singularities with the help of (16). The function  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  would be an entire function with polynomial asymptotics  $\lambda^2$ . It is possible only if  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  is polynomial. But the polynomial does not satisfy (16). So the zeros of  $\vartheta^{-1}(\lambda)$  exist and they form the quadrangle

$$\alpha, -\alpha, \bar{\alpha}, -\bar{\alpha}, \quad \text{Im } \alpha > 0 \quad (\text{when } T > 0). \tag{46}$$

The function  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  could be continued up to these zeros without singularities. This property will help us in calculating the asymptotics of correlation function.

The zero  $\alpha$  necessarily lies in the complex plane. On the real axis  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  is real and  $\vartheta^{-1}(\lambda)$  has no zeros.

The statistical weight  $\omega(\lambda)$  also could be continued into the complex plane. Its singularity nearest to the real axis is  $\lambda = \alpha + ic$ .

The analytical continuation of these functions has the properties

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\varepsilon}(\lambda) &= \varepsilon(\bar{\lambda}), & \varepsilon(-\lambda) &= \varepsilon(\lambda), \\ \bar{\omega}(\lambda) &= \omega(\bar{\lambda}), & \omega(-\lambda) &= \omega(\lambda). \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

### 3. Asymptotic behaviour of the correlation function

We now consider

$$\langle\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle\rangle = \langle :j(x)j(0): \rangle - \langle j(0) \rangle^2. \tag{48}$$

The first term is given by (21). To analyze this expression when  $x$  tends to infinity we shall shift the contour of integration with respect to  $\lambda_1$  into the lower half-plane and with respect to  $\lambda_2$  into the upper one. The nearest barriers, when shifting, are the singularities of the Fermi factor  $\vartheta(\lambda)$  which are situated at the points  $\alpha, -\alpha, \bar{\alpha}, -\bar{\alpha}$ . These points are simple poles of  $\vartheta(\lambda)$ :

$$\vartheta(\lambda)|_{\lambda \rightarrow \alpha} \rightarrow -\frac{T}{\varepsilon'(\alpha)(\lambda - \alpha)}, \quad e^{\varepsilon(\alpha)/T} = -1. \tag{49}$$

The contribution of these poles to  $\Gamma_2(x)$  is

$$2T^2 \left| \frac{\omega(\alpha)}{\varepsilon'(\alpha)} \right|^2 \left( \frac{2 \text{Im } \alpha - c}{2 \text{Im } \alpha + c} \right) \left( \frac{p(\bar{\alpha}, \alpha)}{2 \text{Im } \alpha} \right)^2 \exp \{ xp(\bar{\alpha}, \alpha) \} \tag{50}$$

$$+ 2T^2 \text{Re} \left[ \left( \frac{\omega(\alpha)}{\varepsilon'(\alpha)} \right)^2 \left( \frac{2\alpha - ic}{2\alpha + ic} \right) \left( \frac{p(-\alpha, \alpha)}{2\alpha} \right)^2 \exp \{ xp(-\alpha, \alpha) \} \right]. \tag{51}$$

To calculate the contribution of other singularities to (21) we must shift the contour still further from the real axis. This will lead to the expressions decreasing with respect to  $x$  faster than (50), (51). The considerations based on the perturbation theory show us that (51) decreases faster than (50) when  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

The asymptotics of the first term (21) at large distances are

$$\langle\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle\rangle \rightarrow e^{-x/r_c}, \tag{52}$$

where  $r_c$  is the correlation length

$$\frac{1}{r_c} = -p(\bar{\alpha}, \alpha) = 2 \operatorname{Im} \alpha - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \vartheta(t) P(t, \bar{\alpha}, \alpha) \geq 2 \operatorname{Im} \alpha \geq 0. \tag{53}$$

It should be noted that the function  $p$  is real and

$$-\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \vartheta(t) P(t, \bar{\alpha}, \alpha) \geq 0$$

is positive.

Thus we have analyzed the first term of the sequence for the correlation function [1]. The tracing of the others allows us to make the conjecture that the expression

$$r_c = -\frac{1}{p(\bar{\alpha}, \alpha)} \tag{54}$$

is correct for any value of the coupling constant. This is the principal formula of our work.

Let us analyze now different special cases. Consider the correlation length at  $T \rightarrow 0$  (the point  $T = 0$  is the phase transition point). It is easy to show that the solution of the equation

$$\vartheta^{-1}(\alpha) = 0, \quad \varepsilon(\alpha) = i\pi T, \tag{55}$$

is

$$\alpha = q + \frac{i\pi T}{\varepsilon'_0(q_T)}, \tag{56}$$

where  $q_T$  is defined by  $\varepsilon(q_T) = 0$ ,  $q_T > 0$  (as  $T \rightarrow 0$ ,  $q_T \rightarrow q$ ). Thus when  $T \rightarrow 0$  the difference between  $\alpha$  and  $\bar{\alpha}$  becomes small. The factor  $a(t)$  in (32), (25) tends to 1, so the solution of (32) is  $P(t, \bar{\alpha}, \alpha) \rightarrow 0$ . More precisely

$$P(t) = -\frac{T}{\varepsilon'_0(q)} F(t),$$

where  $F(t)$  satisfies the linear equation

$$F(t) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-q}^q K(t, s) F(s) ds = \frac{2c}{c^2 + (t - q)^2}. \tag{57}$$

The correlation length tends to infinity:

$$\frac{1}{r_c} = \frac{2\pi T}{\varepsilon'_0(q)} + \frac{T}{\varepsilon'_0(q)} \int_{-q}^q F(t) dt = \frac{2\pi T}{\varepsilon'_0(q)} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-q}^q F(t) dt \right]. \tag{58}$$

The coefficient on the right-hand side has a distinct physical sense; the velocity of sound. So

$$r_c = \frac{v}{2\pi T}. \quad (59)$$

The velocity of sound  $v$  is the derivative of physical energy with respect to physical momentum on the Fermi surface [5]:

$$v = \left. \frac{d\varepsilon_0(\lambda)}{dk_0(\lambda)} \right|_{\lambda=q} = \left. \frac{d\varepsilon_0(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \right|_{\lambda=q} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-q}^q F(t) dt \right]^{-1}. \quad (60)$$

The physical momentum  $k_0(\lambda)$  is

$$k_0(\lambda) = \lambda + \int_{-q}^q \Theta(\lambda - \mu) \rho_0(\mu) d\mu.$$

Substituting (60) into (58) we obtain (59).

The same result was obtained in [13]. The correlations disintegrate when  $T \rightarrow \infty$  (see the appendix).

Let us consider now the limit  $c \rightarrow \infty$ . We have

$$\varepsilon(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - A + O\left(\frac{1}{c^3}\right), \quad A > 0, \quad A = h + \frac{2}{c}\mathcal{P}.$$

Here  $\mathcal{P}$  is the pressure [6]:

$$\mathcal{P} = \frac{T}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\lambda \ln(1 + e^{-\varepsilon(\lambda)/T}).$$

Changing  $K \rightarrow 2/c$  it is easy to find the  $1/c$  series expansion of  $A$ . We have

$$\alpha = \sqrt{A + i\pi T} = \sqrt{h + \frac{2}{c}\mathcal{P} + i\pi T}, \quad \text{Im } \alpha > 0.$$

Substituting this expression into (53) and (41) we get

$$\frac{1}{r_c} = 2 \text{Im } \alpha \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c}\rho \right) + \frac{2\rho}{c^2} 4(\text{Im } \alpha)^2.$$

Let us emphasise that in the strong coupling limit the two terms (50) and (51) begin to compete. The term (51) contains an additional decreasing factor  $\exp\{-8\rho(\text{Re } \alpha)^2 x/c^2\}$ . For  $c = \infty$  the sum of the two terms (50) and (51) gives asymptotics and contains oscillations [1].

For  $c = \infty$  the correlation function is given by the following explicit formula:

$$\langle\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle\rangle = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{e^{i\lambda x} d\lambda}{1 + \exp\{(\lambda^2 - h)/T\}} \right]^2.$$

#### 4. Asymptotic behaviour of the correlator at zero temperature

At zero temperature the correlation function

$$\langle\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle\rangle = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \Gamma_k^0(x) \tag{61}$$

was calculated in [2, 3] in the form of a series. Let us write down its first term:

$$\Gamma_2^0(x) = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{-q}^q d\lambda_1 \omega(\lambda_1) \int_{-q}^q d\lambda_2 \omega(\lambda_2) \left( \frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 + ic}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - ic} \right) \left[ \frac{p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} \right]^2 e^{xp(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}. \tag{62}$$

We can find  $\Gamma_3^0(x)$  from (22) using the rule (28). Let us analyze this expression when  $x$  tends to infinity. Integrating by parts we shall get the leading term of the asymptotics:

$$-\frac{\omega^2(q)}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{x^2}, \tag{63}$$

taking into account that  $p(\lambda, \lambda) = 0$ . Among the correction terms we have

$$\text{const} \frac{1}{x^2} e^{xp(q, -q)}. \tag{64}$$

This term contains oscillations. When  $0 < c < \infty$ ,  $\text{Re } P < 0$ , so this term decreases exponentially with respect to  $x$ . When  $c = \infty$ ,  $\text{Re } P = 0$  and (64) should be added to the leading term (63). So, when  $c = \infty$  the asymptotic contains oscillations. This fact explains the results of [3]. If we analyze the rest of the terms of (61) we shall see that the asymptotics of the correlator at  $0 < c < \infty$  are equal to

$$\langle\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle\rangle \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a}{x^2},$$

where  $a$  is the dimensionless constant. This formula was previously obtained in [13].

We see that the representation of the correlation function which has been obtained in [1-3] is very effective. Really, to calculate the asymptotic behaviour of the correlator it is sufficient to deal with its first two terms.

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#### Appendix

Let us analyze the behaviour of the correlation function at the high-temperature limit  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . It is difficult to investigate the expression (54) in this limit, so we shall solve here a more simple problem. We shall fix the distance  $x$  and study (21) when  $T$  tends to infinity.

To do this, let us rewrite eq. (16) using the following notation:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varepsilon}(\tilde{\lambda}) &= \frac{\varepsilon(\lambda)}{T}, & \tilde{\lambda} &= \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{T}}, & \tilde{\mu} &= \frac{\mu}{\sqrt{T}}, \\ \tilde{c} &= \frac{c}{\sqrt{T}}, & \tilde{h} &= \frac{h}{T}, & \tilde{K}(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{\mu}) &= \frac{2\tilde{c}}{\tilde{c}^2 + (\tilde{\lambda} - \tilde{\mu})^\varepsilon}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(\tilde{\lambda}) = \tilde{\lambda}^2 - \tilde{h} - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{K}(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{\mu}) \ln [1 - \exp \{-\tilde{\varepsilon}(\tilde{\mu})\}] d\tilde{\mu}. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

As  $T \rightarrow \infty$  we have  $\tilde{c} \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\tilde{h} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\tilde{K}(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{\mu}) \rightarrow 2\pi\delta(\tilde{\lambda} - \tilde{\mu})$ . Thus (A.2) gives (case  $c = 0$  in [6])

$$\vartheta(\lambda) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp \{\varepsilon(\lambda)/T\}} = e^{-\lambda^2/T}. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

This leads to the following:  $\omega(\lambda) \rightarrow e^{-1}$ ,  $P(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \rightarrow 0$  (see (25)) and

$$\Gamma_2(x) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T}{4\pi e^2} e^{-Tx^2/2}. \quad (\text{A.4})$$

So we find that correlation of the currents  $\langle\langle j(x)j(0) \rangle\rangle$  disintegrates at a distance of order  $x \sim 1/\sqrt{T}$ . It should be noted that expression (A.4) is correct for not very large  $x$  (the pre-asymptotic region). When  $x$  tends to infinity  $\Gamma_2(x)$  decreases exponentially (see (52)). But for high temperatures correlations disintegrate now in the pre-asymptotic region.

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