


Lecture 5 - Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation.

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$\Pi_0 =$   for high density electrons when  $|\underline{q}| \ll p_F, |\omega| \ll \epsilon_F$ .

It can be calculated exactly,  
as  $\Pi_0(\underline{q}, \omega) = I(\underline{q}, \omega) + I(-\underline{q}, -\omega)$ ,

with  $I(\underline{q}, \omega) = 2 \int \frac{n_F}{\omega + \epsilon_{\underline{p}} - \epsilon_{\underline{p} + \underline{q}} + i\delta \operatorname{sgn} \omega} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3}$

The result is called Lindhardt formula.

In the static case,  $\omega = 0$ , we have

$$\Pi_0(\underline{q}, \omega=0) = -\frac{\nu_0}{2} - \frac{\nu_0}{2p_F v} (p_F^2 - \frac{q^2}{4}) \ln \left| \frac{q + 2p_F}{q - 2p_F} \right|$$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{4\pi e^2}{q^2 - 4\pi e^2 \Pi_0} \equiv \frac{4\pi e^2}{\epsilon(\underline{q}) q^2}$$

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dielectric function

$$\epsilon(\underline{q}) = 1 + 4\pi \chi(\underline{q}) \quad ; \quad \rightarrow \chi = -e^2 \Pi_0(\underline{q})$$

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polarisability



In real space,  $\chi(\underline{r}) = -e^2 \int e^{i\underline{q} \cdot \underline{r}} \Pi_0(\underline{q}) d\underline{q}$

Usually, we state that when  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , only  $\chi \rightarrow 0$  contribution matters, since fast oscillation kills the integral.

Not true if  $\Pi_0(q)$  has essential singularity.

When  $q \rightarrow 0$ , it's easy to check that

$$\Pi_0 \rightarrow -\frac{v_0}{2} - \frac{v_0}{2} = -v_0 \rightarrow \text{Thomas-Fermi screening.}$$

$$\text{When } q \rightarrow \infty, \Pi_0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{q^2} \left( \sim \frac{4}{3} \frac{p_F^2}{q^2} \right)$$

The only unremovable singularity is at  $|q| \rightarrow 2p_F$ .  
(but not divergence).

Rewriting  $\Pi_0(q, 0) \equiv -\frac{1}{2}v_0 f(q)$ . Then

$$\chi(\underline{r}) = \frac{1}{2}v_0 e^2 \int f(q) e^{i\underline{q} \cdot \underline{r}} d\underline{q}; \quad d\underline{q} = \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d}$$

$$\text{where } f(q) = 1 + \frac{4p_F^2 - q^2}{4p_F q} \ln \left| \frac{q + 2p_F}{q - 2p_F} \right|$$

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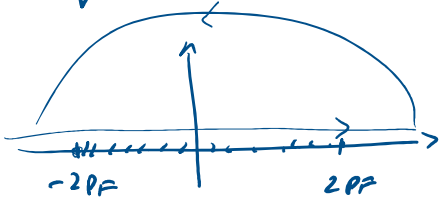
$$\tilde{f}(q) = 1 + \frac{4p_F^2 - q^2}{4p_F q} \ln \left( \frac{q + 2p_F}{q - 2p_F} \right)$$

$$\chi(\underline{r}) = \frac{v_0 e^2}{8\pi^2} \int_0^\infty q^2 f(q) dq \int_{-1}^1 e^{iqr} dr$$

$$= \frac{v_0 e^2}{8\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty q f(q) e^{iqr} dq$$

$$\int q \tilde{f}(q) e^{iqr} dq = 0$$

as  $\tilde{f} \sim \frac{1}{q}$  is regular above the cut.



As usual,  $\ln z = \ln |z| + i \arg z$  ( $z = |z| e^{i \arg z}$ )

$$\tilde{f}(q) = f(q) - i\epsilon \theta(2p_F - |q|) \frac{4p_F^2 - q^2}{4p_F q}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Hence,  $\int f(q) q e^{iqr} dq$  is contributed by the imaginary part only:

$$\chi(r) = \frac{v_0 e^2}{8\pi r \cdot 4p_F} \int_{-2p_F}^{2p_F} (4p_F^2 - q^2) e^{iqr} dq$$

$$= - \frac{v_0 e^2}{4\pi r^3} \left[ \underbrace{\cos(2p_F r)}_{\text{dominates}} - \frac{\sin(2p_F r)}{2p_F r} \right]$$

Friedel oscillations (lead to RKKY interaction).

All the results for  $v_{\text{eff}}$  &  $\Pi_0$  came from the perturbative expansion of the functional integral.

Let's avoid the expansion. Our action:

$$S = S_0 + S_{\text{int}}$$

$$S_0 = \int dx \bar{\psi}(x) (i\partial_t - \hat{H}_0 - \mu) \psi(x)$$

$$S_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \int dx dx' g(x) g(x') \sqrt{|x-x'|}$$

$$\text{where } g(x) = \bar{\psi}(x) \psi(x)$$

Let's make the FT assuming a finite size:

$$\int d\vec{q} \equiv \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} = \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\underline{q}} , \text{ where } \underline{q}$$

is quantised, so that  $q_x = \frac{2\pi}{L} n_x$ , etc

$$\text{Then } S_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho_{\underline{q}} e^{-i\underline{q} \cdot \underline{r}} \rho_{\underline{q}'} e^{-i\underline{q}' \cdot \underline{r}'} \nu_{\underline{q}_1} e^{-i\underline{q}_1 \cdot (\underline{r} - \underline{r}')} \underline{dr} \underline{dr}' \underline{dq} \underline{dq}'$$

$\int$  integrations give  $\delta(\underline{q} + \underline{q}_1) \delta(\underline{q}' - \underline{q}_1) (2\pi)^6$

Hence, we have

$$S_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \int \rho_{\underline{q}} \rho_{-\underline{q}} \nu_{\underline{q}} d\vec{q}$$

$$= \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_{\underline{q}} \rho_{\underline{q}} \rho_{-\underline{q}} \frac{2\pi e^2}{q^2}$$

As  $\rho(\underline{r})$  is real, then  $\rho_{-\underline{q}} = \rho_{\underline{q}}^*$

$$\frac{2\pi e^2}{L^d q^2} \rho_{\underline{q}} \rho_{-\underline{q}} \equiv \underbrace{\frac{e}{2L^d} \rho_{\underline{q}}}_{\mathbb{Z}_{\underline{q}}} \underbrace{\frac{e}{2L^d} \rho_{-\underline{q}}}_{\mathbb{Z}_{-\underline{q}}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{8\pi L^d}{q^2}}_{a_{\underline{q}}}$$

$$e^{i S_{\text{int}}} = e^{i \sum_{\underline{q}} \mathbb{Z}_{\underline{q}} \mathbb{Z}_{-\underline{q}} a_{\underline{q}}} = \prod_{\underline{q}} e^{i \mathbb{Z}_{\underline{q}} \mathbb{Z}_{-\underline{q}} a_{\underline{q}}}$$

The aim: to represent each  $e^{i \mathbb{Z}_{\underline{q}} \mathbb{Z}_{-\underline{q}} a_{\underline{q}}}$  as

a Gaussian integral over some auxiliary field,

$\varphi_{\underline{q}}$ , which behaves like  $\mathbb{Z}_{\underline{q}}$ .

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bosonic as  $\mathbb{Z}$  is bilinear in fermionic operators.

The aim: to integrate out fermionic  $\bar{\psi}$  &  $\psi$  and have a "bosonic" action in terms of  $\varphi$ .

$$\underline{Z_1} \equiv I_0 \equiv \int d\bar{\varphi}_q d\varphi_q e^{-\frac{1}{a_q} \varphi_q \varphi_{-q}}$$

make a shift of variables

$$\varphi_{-q} = \overline{\varphi_q}$$

$$a_q = a_{-q}$$

$$= \int d\bar{\varphi}_q d\varphi_q e^{-\frac{1}{a_q} (\varphi_q - i a_q \bar{\zeta}_q) (\varphi_{-q} - i a_{-q} \bar{\zeta}_{-q})}$$

$$= \int d\bar{\varphi}_q d\varphi_q e^{-\frac{1}{a_q} \overline{\varphi}_q \varphi_q + i (\varphi_q \bar{\zeta}_{-q} + \varphi_{-q} \bar{\zeta}_q) + a_q \bar{\zeta}_q \bar{\zeta}_{-q}}$$

$$= e^{a_q \bar{\zeta}_q \bar{\zeta}_{-q}} \int \dots$$

Hence

$$\prod_q e^{-a_q \bar{\zeta}_q \bar{\zeta}_{-q}} = \frac{\prod_q \int d\varphi_q d\varphi_{-q} e^{-\frac{1}{a_q} \varphi_q \varphi_{-q} + i (\varphi_q \bar{\zeta}_{-q} + \varphi_{-q} \bar{\zeta}_q)}}{\underline{Z}}$$

Call  $\prod_q \int d\varphi_q d\varphi_{-q} \equiv \int \mathcal{D}\varphi$

$$e^{i S_{int}} = \frac{1}{\underline{Z}} \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \exp \left[ \frac{i}{L^d} \sum_q \int dt \frac{\overline{\varphi}_q \varphi_q}{a_q} - \underbrace{\frac{i e}{2} (\varphi_q \bar{\zeta}_{-q} + \varphi_{-q} \bar{\zeta}_q)}_{-i e \varphi_q \bar{\zeta}_q} \right]$$

$\rho(\underline{r}) = \overline{\Psi}(\underline{r}) \Psi(\underline{r})$ ;  $S_q$  is the FT

Hence  $S_{int} = \int d\vec{q} dt \frac{q^2}{8\pi} \varphi_q \varphi_{-q} = \int dx \psi(x) \left( \frac{\nabla^2}{8\pi} \right) \psi(x)$

while  $\varphi_q \bar{\zeta}_q$  is absorbed by  $S_0$  so that

$$S_0 = \int dx \overline{\Psi}(x) \left[ i \partial_t - (H_0 - M) - i e \varphi(x) \right] \Psi(x)$$

$S_0$  is bilinear over  $\overline{\Psi}, \Psi$  and we can use

$$\int \bar{\psi} \hat{A} \psi dx = [\det \hat{A}] = e^{\text{Tr} \ln \hat{A}}$$

(would be  $\frac{1}{\det A}$  for bosons.)

Hence, we arrived at the bosonic action

$$S[\varphi] = \int dx \left\{ \frac{(\nabla \varphi)^2}{8\pi} + \text{Tr} \ln \left[ \underbrace{i\partial_t - (\hat{H}_0 - \mu)}_{\hat{G}_0^{-1}} - ie\varphi \right] \right\}$$

$$\left[ \ln \det \hat{A} = \text{Tr} \ln \hat{A} \right]$$

Then we have  $\text{Tr} \ln \hat{A} = \int dx \text{tr} \ln \hat{A}$ .

Tr is a "functional trace" including  $\int dx$  or  $\int dt$ .

The task is to expand  $\text{Tr} \ln$ , hopefully with a small parameter.

Reminders:  $\left[ i\partial_t - (\hat{H}_0 - \mu) \right] G_0(x-x') = \delta(x-x')$

$$\left[ \equiv \delta(t-t') \delta(\underline{r}-\underline{r}') \right]$$

$$S_0 = \text{Tr} \ln [G_0^{-1} - ie\varphi] = \text{Tr} \ln \left\{ G_0^{-1} [1 - ieG_0\varphi] \right\}$$

$$= \underbrace{\text{Tr} \ln G_0^{-1}}_{\text{no } \varphi} + \text{Tr} \ln (1 - ieG_0\varphi) \quad !$$

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cancels with  $\frac{1}{2}$  in any observable

$$\text{Tr} \ln (1 - ie \hat{G}_0 \varphi) = \text{Tr} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(ie \hat{G}_0 \varphi)^n}{n}$$

The  $n=1$  term disappears upon integration due to the  $x \leftrightarrow -x$  symmetry.

The lowest contributing term is

$$-\frac{e^2}{2} \text{Tr} \hat{G}_0 \varphi \hat{G}_0 \varphi \quad (+ \text{higher orders}).$$

$$= -\frac{e^2}{2} \int dx dx' G_0(x-x') \varphi(x') G_0(x'-x) \varphi(x)$$

$$= -\frac{e^2}{2} \int dp \varphi(p) \varphi(-p) \Pi_0(p)$$

$$\text{Here } \Pi_0(p) = 2 \int G_0(q) G_0(p-q) dq$$



The full action is

$$S = \int dx \left[ \frac{(\nabla \varphi)^2}{2\pi} - \frac{e^2}{2} \varphi(p) \varphi(-p) \Pi_0(p) \right]$$

$$\int dq \bar{\varphi}_q \mathcal{D}_q^{-1} \varphi_q$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \bar{\varphi}_q \left( \frac{q^2}{4\pi} - e^2 \Pi_0(q) \right) \varphi_q dq$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \bar{\varphi}_q \mathcal{D}_q^{-1} \varphi_q$$

$$\mathcal{D}_q = \mathcal{D}(\omega, \vec{q}) = \left[ \frac{q^2}{4\pi} - e^2 \Pi_0 \right]^{-1}$$