

Notes on 1D bosons

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We consider the dilute bose gas in one dimension, where we seek to prove the formula for the ground state energy

$$\frac{E}{L} = \frac{\pi^2}{3} \rho^3 (1 + 2\rho a + \mathcal{O}((\rho a)^2)). \quad (0.1)$$

We assume that the interaction potential v has compact support, say in the ball of radius b , B_b .

1 Upper bound

We provide the upper bound for (0.1), by using the variational principle with a suitable trial state. Consider the trial state

$$\Psi(x) = \begin{cases} \omega(\mathcal{R}(x)) \frac{\Psi_F(x)}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{L}\mathcal{R}(x))} & \text{if } \mathcal{R}(x) < b, \\ \Psi_F(x) & \text{if } \mathcal{R}(x) \geq b, \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where ω is the suitably normalized solution to the two-body scattering equation, *i.e.* $\omega(x) = f(x) \frac{\sin(\frac{\pi}{L}b)}{f(b)}$ where f is any solution of the two-body scattering equation. $\Psi_F(x) = \mathcal{N}^{1/2} \prod_{i < j}^N \sin(\frac{\pi}{L}(x_i - x_j))$ is the free fermionic ground state, and $\mathcal{R}(x) = \min_{i < j} (|x_i - x_j|)$.

The energy of this trial state is then

$$\mathcal{E}(\Psi) = \int \sum_{i=1}^N |\nabla_i \Psi|^2 + \sum_{i < j}^N v_{ij} |\Psi|^2, \quad (1.2)$$

where $v_{ij}(x) = v(x_i - x_j)$. Since v is supported in B_b and $\Psi = \Psi_F$ except in the region $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N | \mathcal{R}(x) < b\}$, we may rewrite this as

$$\mathcal{E}(\Psi) = E_0 + \int_B \sum_{i=1}^N |\nabla_i \Psi|^2 + \sum_{i < j}^N v_{ij} |\Psi|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N |\nabla_i \Psi_F|^2, \quad (1.3)$$

where $E_0 = N \frac{\pi^2}{3} \rho^2$ is the ground state energy of the free Fermi gas.