Bosonic modes in Fermi liquid

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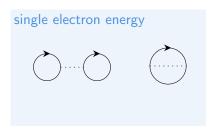
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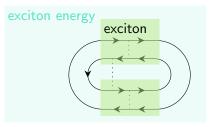
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Background

In a Fermi liquid we have . . .

- ullet Quasiparticles (electron/hole) with Σ -correction
- Any anything else?





...and more

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Today's topic

Electron-hole bosonic modes in Fermi liquid (with *some* scattering picked up back, i.e. beyond $\delta E \sim \varepsilon \, \delta n + f \, \delta n \, \delta n$), i.e.

$$|\text{single excitation}\rangle = \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}_1, \boldsymbol{k}_2} c_{\boldsymbol{k}_1 \boldsymbol{k}_2} \left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \bullet \end{array} \right\rangle$$
 (1)

No trion, higher order correlation, or even more exotic spinons, etc. beyond Fermi liquid

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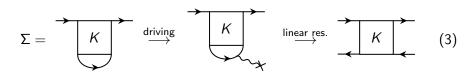
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Linking BSE with single-electron kinetic theory

Linear response of single-electron under external field = BSE



simplest single-electron theory: quantum Boltzmann equation (QBE)

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What to expect

Three types of important bosonic modes:

- Zero sound in uncharged single-band Fermi liquid
- Plasmon in charged single-band Fermi liquid = zero sound + long range interaction
- Exciton in charged multi-band Fermi liquid

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EOM governing zero sound Small disturbance, no collision, :

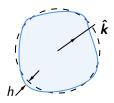
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 (6)

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Fermi surface vibration

Ansatz Disturbance as small as possible . . .

$$n_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{r},t) = e^{\mathrm{i}(\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r} - \mathrm{i}\,\omega t)} \,\theta(\mu - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathrm{stable}} - h(\hat{\mathbf{p}})) \tag{7}$$



Eigenvalue problem

$$(\omega - \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{v})h(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) = \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{v} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}\Omega'}{4\pi} F(\vartheta)h(\hat{\mathbf{k}}'). \tag{8}$$

where \mathbf{v} is single-electron velocity. \Rightarrow zero sound has linear dispersion; zero sound requires $F \neq 0$

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Modes

Shape of Fermi surface





Zero sound is not density wave In zero sound $V_{\sf Fermi \ sea} = {\sf const.} \Rightarrow {\sf zero \ sound}$ is not ordinary sound

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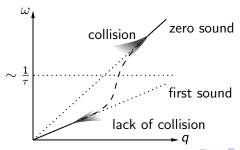
Comparison with ordinary sound

Ordinary sound Fermi liquid theory $\Rightarrow \partial \rho/\partial P \Rightarrow$ another sound mode ("first sound", ordinary sound, density mode) from hydrodynamics

Relation with zero sound

- First sound appears when $\omega \tau \ll 1$: ordinary hydrodynamics \Leftrightarrow local equilibrium $\Leftrightarrow \tau \ll 1/\omega$
- ullet zero sound appears when $\omega au\gg 1$: no collision integral $\Leftrightarrow au\gg 1/\omega$

The two are connected: a radical finite-T correction



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What happens with long-range interaction

The origin of $f_{pp'}$

$$f_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} = \lim_{\mathbf{q} \to 0} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{k}' \\ \mathbf{k}' + \mathbf{q} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{k}' \\ \mathbf{k}' - \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{k}' + \mathbf{q} \end{pmatrix} (9)$$

Coulomb interaction \Rightarrow first term divergent in $\textbf{\textit{k}}$ space \Rightarrow it should be considered in $\textbf{\textit{r}}$ space

Landau-Silin eq.

$$\frac{\partial n_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \frac{\partial n_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{r}} - \frac{\partial (\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} - e\varphi(\mathbf{r}))}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \cdot \frac{\partial n_{\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} + i \left[\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}}, n_{\mathbf{p}}\right] = \underbrace{I_{\text{Fermi golden rule}}}_{\text{collision}}, (10)$$

$$\varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{p}}(\boldsymbol{r}) = \varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{p}}^{0} + \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\boldsymbol{p}'} f_{\boldsymbol{p}\boldsymbol{p}'} \, \delta n_{\boldsymbol{p}}(\boldsymbol{r}), \quad \nabla^{2} \varphi = e \cdot \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\boldsymbol{p}} n_{\boldsymbol{p}}(\boldsymbol{r}). \tag{11}$$

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Summary

Fermi liquid, uncharged: zero sound

- Linear, gapless
- From $f_{pp'}$

Fermi liquid, charged: plasmon

- Divergent Hartree term ⇒ self-energy correction in real space
- When $\mathbf{q} = 0$: $f_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}'}$ not important; gapped

Two bands: exciton

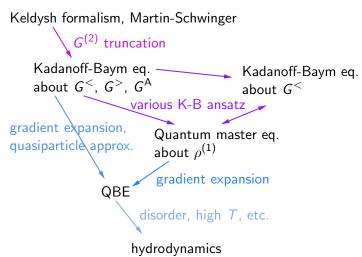


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Justifying quantum Boltzmann equation

Is QBE reliable?

Yes! When we intuitively expect it to work -



Discussion



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