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Monday 880.05 Class

• Questions on PS#3??

• Today:

- Start effective action
- Illustrate with saddle-point evaluation for large V

• Wednesday:

- loose ends + homework questions
- epsilon expansion
- regulators?

Recall where we're heading:

- trying to reproduce Bose dilute gas (as ^{small} 70):

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{2\pi a_s}{M} \rho^2 + \frac{2\pi a_s}{M} \rho^2 \frac{128}{15\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\rho a^3} + \dots$$

(Note $\frac{\mathcal{E}}{N} = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\rho}$ is the energy per particle)

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OK, let's back up and see where the expression we wrote on pg. 198 comes from.

Returning to $Z[J]$ after the $\psi, \bar{\psi}$ integration: (from 228)

$$\begin{aligned} Z[J] &= e^{iW[J]} = \int D\sigma e^{i\int d^4x \left[\frac{1}{2} C_0 (\partial_\mu \sigma(x))^2 + i(\partial_\mu \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(x)) \right]} \\ &= \int D\sigma e^{i(I_0[J] + J\sigma)} \end{aligned}$$

which defines $I_0[J]$.

- We'll use the schematic notation $J\sigma$ to mean $\int d^4x J(x)\sigma(x)$.
- Note that $I_0[J]$ shows up in the path integral as the action for the σ field.

- With the rescaling $C_0 = c_0/\nu$, $\sigma = \nu\sigma'$, we see again there is an overall factor of ν in the exponent \Rightarrow saddle point evaluation.

- So we're going to expand around the stationary point. At lowest order, this is $\sigma(x) = \sigma_c(x)$ but this can change as we go higher in the expansion, unless we make sure it works. So we will be introducing a counterterm for J .
 • So split into a piece that is stationary about σ_c by construction and the rest, which we treat in perturbation theory.

- We write

$$I[\sigma] = I_0[\sigma] + \delta I[\sigma]$$

$$J(x) = J_0(x) + \delta J(x)$$

- $\delta I[\sigma]$ contains the "usual" counterterms we have in quantum field theory, which fix up the short-distance behavior.

- For our short-range effective field theory, using dimensional regularization and minimal subtraction, we will not need to write it explicitly [see previous lecture]

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- What about δJ ? Define J_1 so that

$$\left. \frac{\delta I_1}{\delta \sigma} \right|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} + J_1(x) = 0$$

(i.e. choose $J_1(x) = - \left. \frac{\delta I_1}{\delta \sigma} \right|_{\sigma=\sigma_c}$).

- Then determine $\delta J(x)$ order-by-order in the expansion such that

$$\langle \sigma(x) \rangle_J = \sigma_c(x)$$

as before. (see below).

So then

$$e^{i\omega[J]} = \int d\sigma e^{i(I_1[\sigma] + \int J_1 \sigma)} e^{i(\delta I[\sigma] + \int \delta J \sigma)}$$

- Focus on the first term — do our $\sigma = \sigma_c + \eta$ expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} I_1[\sigma] + \int J_1 \sigma &= (I_1[\sigma_c] + \int J_1 \sigma_c) + \int d^4x \eta(x) \left(\left. \frac{\delta I_1[\sigma]}{\delta \sigma(x)} \right|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} + J_1(x) \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x d^4y \eta(x) \left. \frac{\delta^2 I_1}{\delta \sigma(x) \delta \sigma(y)} \right|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} \eta(y) + \frac{1}{3!} \int d^4x d^4y d^4z \eta(x) \eta(y) \eta(z) \left. \frac{\delta^3 I_1}{\delta \sigma(x) \delta \sigma(y) \delta \sigma(z)} \right|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} \\ &\quad + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- The linear term vanishes by construction (recall the expansion of $f(t)$ in $t = t_0$):

$$I(\ell) = e^{-\ell f_0} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\ell}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dT e^{-\frac{T^2 \ell^2}{2}} e^{-\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{T^n}{n!} \frac{f_0^{(n)}}{\ell^{n/2-1}}}$$

- $\ln I(\ell)$ had an expansion with the "classical term" — ℓf_0 (here $I_1[\sigma_c] + \int J_1 \sigma_c$), a quadratic term that gave the propagator $\rightarrow \frac{1}{f_0''}$ (here the inverse of $\delta^2 I_1 / \delta \sigma \delta \sigma$) and then a series of vertices $\frac{1}{f_0^{(3)}} \rightarrow -\frac{f_0^{(3)}}{f_0^{(2)2}}$ (here the $\delta^3 I_1 / \delta \sigma \delta \sigma \delta \sigma$ and higher terms).

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So identify w/ σ neglecting the $\frac{\delta^3 I}{\delta \sigma \delta \sigma \delta \sigma}$ and higher terms at first

$$e^{iW[\sigma]} = e^{i\left[\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln G^{-1}(x,y) \Big|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} + \frac{C_0}{2} \int d^4x (\sigma_c(x))^2 + \int d^4x J_1(x) \sigma_c(x)\right]} \\ \times \int d\eta e^{i\left(\int d^4x d^4y \eta(x) \left[\frac{\delta^2 [\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln G^{-1}]}{\delta \sigma(x) \delta \sigma(y)} \Big|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} + C_0 \delta^4(x-y) \right] \eta(y)\right)}$$

where we've used $\frac{\delta}{\delta \sigma(x)} \frac{\delta}{\delta \sigma(y)} \left[\frac{1}{2} C_0 \int d^4z (\sigma(z))^2 \right] = C_0 \delta^4(x-y)$

Now $G^{-1}(x,y) \Big|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} = \left[i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m} + \mu - C_0 \sigma_c(x) \right] \delta^4(x-y) \equiv G_H^{-1}(x,y)$

(suppressing spin here), which we call the "Hartree" propagator.

- It is the single particle Green's function in the presence of the "background field" $\sigma_c(x)$.

$\Rightarrow \sigma_c(x)$ is just like an external potential,

- We can solve for $G_H(x,y)$ by methods analogous to the problem set problem.

The η integral is just a Gaussian integral, with a scary looking operator between the η 's, which we define as the inverse σ propagator D_σ^{-1} :

$$iD_\sigma^{-1}(x,y) = C_0 \delta^4(x-y) + \frac{\delta^2 [\text{Tr} \ln G^{-1}]}{\delta \sigma \delta \sigma} \Big|_{\sigma=\sigma_c} \\ = C_0 \delta^4(x-y) + i\nu C_0^2 G_H(y,x) G_H(x,y)$$

what is this as a matrix?

Here we've used (in schematic notation). Note $D_\sigma = \dots + \dots + \dots$

$$\frac{\delta \text{Tr} \ln G^{-1}}{\delta \sigma} = G \frac{\delta G}{\delta \sigma} = -C_0 G$$

$$\frac{\delta (G G^{-1})}{\delta \sigma} = 0 = \frac{\delta G}{\delta \sigma} G^{-1} + G \frac{\delta G^{-1}}{\delta \sigma} \text{ or } \frac{\delta G}{\delta \sigma} = -C_0 G G$$

(fill in indices for problem)

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- If we put back the higher order η terms and treated them in perturbation theory (by taking derivatives with respect to a source)
 \Rightarrow diagrams with these vertices and lines (propagators) given by $D_0(x,y)$.

- So now we can find $\Gamma[\sigma_c] = W[J] - \int d^4x J(x)\phi(x)$ to quadratic order because we can just take the ln of $Z[J]$ to find $W[J]$.

$$\Rightarrow W[J] = \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln[G_H^{-1}(x,y)] + \frac{c_0}{2} \int d^4x (\phi_c(x))^2 + \int d^4x J(x)\phi_c(x)$$

from Gaussian
boson
path integral

$$+ \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln[D_0^{-1}(x,y)]$$

- Now we still have $\delta I[\sigma]$ and δJ that we left behind. We expand these around σ_c as well:

$$(\delta I[\sigma_c] + \int \delta J \sigma_c) + (\delta I[\sigma_c + \eta] - \delta I[\sigma_c] + \int \delta J \eta)$$

just added to
 $W[J]$ above

counterterm
vertices

- Now we can do the Legendre transformation, since we have $W[J] = \dots + \int (\phi_c + \delta J)\sigma_c$
 \Rightarrow J dependence in $\Gamma[\sigma_c]$ goes away, as expected!

- The counterterms $\delta I[\sigma_c]$ and $\delta I[\sigma_c + \eta] - \delta I[\sigma_c]$ do their usual job.
- The term $\int \delta J \eta$ takes care of ensuring $\langle \sigma \rangle = \sigma_c$ because we choose δJ (order by order) so that $\langle \eta \rangle = 0$.
 • In practice this simply means we ignore any "tadpole" diagrams $\text{---} \bigcirc \text{---}$.

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We could continue and look at the higher order diagrams in the expansion systematically,

- For now now we'll stop at:

$$\Gamma[\sigma_c] = \frac{D}{i} \text{Tr} \ln[G_H^{-1}(x, y)] + \frac{C_0}{2} \int d^4x (\sigma_c(x))^2 + \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln[\sigma_G^{-1}(x, y)]$$

- Let's turn to our uniform dilute system.

• Uniform $\Rightarrow \sigma_c(x) = \sigma_c$, a constant

• Later we'll need to test whether the assumption that the ground state is uniform is valid.

(true for $C_0 > 0$ repulsive, not true for $C_0 < 0$ attractive!)

• We can evaluate $\text{Tr} \ln[G_H^{-1}]$ most easily by diagonalizing $G_H^{-1} \Rightarrow \text{Tr}$ is simple.

• For a uniform system, G_H^{-1} is diagonal in momentum space. Drop μ and put in boundary conditions

$$\Rightarrow \text{Tr} \ln G_H^{-1} = VT \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{dp_0}{2\pi} \ln(p_0 - e_{\vec{p}})$$

(VT is the space time volume).

$$\text{Idem } e_{\vec{p}} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + C_0 \sigma_c$$

+ i\eta \text{ sign}(|\vec{p}| - k_F) and convergence factor $e^{i p_0 \eta}$

• As it stands, this expression is divergent, so there must be counterterm subtractions we've left out.

• It's easiest to proceed by noticing that the same divergence is present when $C_0 = 0$, when we know the answer is $-VT \epsilon_{\text{noninteracting}} = -VT \frac{3}{5} \frac{k_F^2}{2m} \mu$

\Rightarrow calculate the difference between $\text{Tr} \ln G_H^{-1}|_{C_0}$ and $\text{Tr} \ln G_H^{-1}|_{C_0=0}$.

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So take $C_0 \rightarrow \lambda C_0$ and use

$$\int_0^1 d\lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} f(\lambda) = f(1) - f(0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Delta \bar{\psi} \ln G_H^{-1} &= \int_0^1 d\lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} V \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p_0}{2\pi} \nu \ln(p_0 - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} - \lambda C_0 \phi_c + i\eta \sin(p\vec{1} - k_f)) \\ &= \nu V \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^1 d\lambda \left(\frac{\partial(p\vec{1} - k_f)}{\partial(p_0 - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} + i\eta)} + \frac{\partial(k_f - p\vec{1})}{\partial(p_0 - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} - i\eta)} \right) e^{i p \vec{1} \cdot \eta} (-C_0 \phi) \\ &= -\nu V C_0 \phi_c \left(\int_0^1 d\lambda \right) \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} [2\theta(k_f - p)] \\ &= -i \nu V C_0 \phi_c \rho \end{aligned}$$

So we get the leading order (LO) effective action as

$$\Gamma_{LO}[\phi_c] = V T \left(-\frac{3}{5} \frac{k_F^2}{2m} \rho - C_0 \phi_c \rho + \frac{1}{2} C_0 \phi_c^2 \right)$$

from $\frac{C_0}{2} (\delta \psi(\phi_c))^2$

We require it to be stationary:

$$\left. \frac{\delta \Gamma_{LO}}{\delta \phi_c} \right|_{\phi_c = \phi_c^0} = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_c^0 = \rho$$

Plugging back in to Γ_{LO} ,

$$\mathcal{E}_{LO} = -\frac{1}{V T} \Gamma_{LO}[\phi_c^0] = \rho \left(\frac{3}{5} \frac{k_F^2}{2m} + \frac{C_0}{2} \rho \right) = \rho \frac{k_F^2}{2m} \left(\frac{3}{5} + \nu \frac{2}{3\pi} k_F a_s \right)$$

where we've used $C_0 = \frac{4\pi a_s}{m}$.

Note that this includes Hartree but not Fock (ν vs. $\nu-1$), consistent with the large ν limit.

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- Ok, now for Γ_{NLO} , where we use a similar evaluation of $\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln [D_0^{-1}(x, y)]$.

- We'll use in the uniform system

$$G_H(x_1, x_2) = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} G_H(p) e^{-ip \cdot (x_1 - x_2)}$$

with the $G_H(p)$ we've already used:

$$G_H(p) = \frac{\theta(p - k_F)}{p_0 - \epsilon_p + i\epsilon} + \frac{\theta(k_F - p)}{p_0 - \epsilon_p - i\epsilon}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Gamma_{NLO}[G_c] &= \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln [D_0^{-1}] \leftarrow \text{go to basis where } D_0^{-1} \text{ is diagonal} \Rightarrow q \\ &\quad \text{and sum over } q\text{'s} \\ &= \frac{i}{2} \sum_q \ln \left[-iG_0 + \nu G_0^2 \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} G_H(p+q) G_H(p) \right] \\ &\stackrel{\sum_q \rightarrow \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4}}{=} \frac{i}{2} \nu \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \ln \left(-iG_0 + \nu G_0^2 \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} G_H(p+q) G_H(p) \right) \end{aligned}$$

we define

$$\Pi_0(q) \equiv -i\nu \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} G_0(p+q) G_0(p) = -i\nu \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} G_H(p+q) G_H(p)$$

where the 2nd equality is valid for a uniform system.

- Diagrammatically, we're summing up

$$\langle \text{bubble} \rangle = \langle \text{bubble} \rangle + \langle \text{bubble} \rangle + \langle \text{bubble} \rangle + \langle \text{bubble} \rangle + \langle \text{bubble} \rangle + \dots$$

which are exactly the diagrams (after the first few) that we want for the Bose limit!

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We can evaluate the ln with the same trick as before:

$C_0 \rightarrow \lambda C_0$ and take derivatives

- There will be apparent divergences when $\lambda=0$ and elsewhere, but they're all taken care of with dimensional regularization^(DR) for which

$$\int \frac{d^D k}{(2\pi)^D} k^n = 0$$

and while we're at it (from Peskin+Schroeder QFT text)

$$\int \frac{d^D k}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{k^2}{k^2 + \Lambda^2} = \frac{\Gamma(-D/2) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + D/2)}{\pi^{D/2} \Gamma(D/2) \Gamma(1/2)} (\Lambda^2)^{D/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Gamma_{NLO}[G_c] &= \frac{i}{2} VT \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \int_0^1 d\lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left(\ln(-i\lambda C_0 + i\lambda^2 C_0^2 \Pi_0(q)) \right) \\ &= \frac{i}{2} VT \int_0^1 d\lambda \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{-i\lambda C_0 + i\lambda^2 C_0^2 \Pi_0(q)} (-iC_0 + 2i\lambda C_0^2 \Pi_0) \\ &= -\frac{i}{2} VT \int_0^1 d\lambda \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\lambda C_0 \Pi_0(q)}{1 - \lambda C_0 \Pi_0(q)} \end{aligned}$$

where we've dropped a $\int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} 1$ term by DR.

This we can evaluate using (exercise for reader to derive!)

$$\Pi_0(q_0, \vec{q}) = \gamma \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \Theta(k_F - p) \left(\frac{\Theta(|\vec{p} + \vec{q}| - k_F)}{q_0 + \omega_p^0 - \omega_{\vec{p} + \vec{q}}^0 - i\epsilon} - \frac{\Theta(|\vec{p} - \vec{q}| - k_F)}{q_0 - \omega_p^0 + \omega_{\vec{p} - \vec{q}}^0 - i\epsilon} \right)$$

- This is ugly and has to be done numerically.
- (But Γ_{NLO} that is $\gamma \Pi_0$ can be evaluated.)
- Here $\omega_p^0 \equiv \frac{p^2}{2m}$

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- But if we apply the Bose limit $\nu \rightarrow \infty$, $k_F \rightarrow 0$, $\rho = \frac{4k_F^3}{6\pi^2}$ fixed at this stage, it's easy!

$$\Pi_0(q_0, \vec{q}) \xrightarrow{k_F \rightarrow 0} \nu \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} G(k_F - p) \left(\frac{1}{q_0 - \omega_q + i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{q_0 + \omega_q - i\epsilon} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2\nu\omega_q}{(q_0 - \omega_q + i\epsilon)(q_0 + \omega_q - i\epsilon)}$$

using $|\vec{q}| \gg k_F, p$ in the integrals.

So now

$$\frac{\lambda C_0 \Pi_0}{1 - \lambda C_0 \Pi_0} = \frac{\lambda C_0}{(\Pi_0)^{-1} - \lambda C_0} = \frac{2\nu\omega_q \lambda C_0}{q_0^2 - \omega_q^2 - 2\nu\omega_q \lambda C_0 + i\epsilon}$$

$$= \frac{2\nu\omega_q \lambda C_0}{q_0^2 - E_q^2 + i\epsilon}$$

defining the Bogoliubov quasiparticle energies

$$E_q = \sqrt{\omega_q^2 + 2\nu\omega_q g \lambda}$$

\Rightarrow The q_0 integral picks up a simple pole and we get

$$\epsilon_1^{\text{Bose}} = -\frac{\Gamma_{NLO}}{\nu T} = \frac{g}{2} \int_0^1 d\lambda C_0 \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\omega_q}{E_q} = \frac{g}{2} C_0 \int_0^1 d\lambda \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{q^2}{q\sqrt{q^2 + 4m^2 g \lambda C_0}}$$

applying the DR formula, we get (for $D=3$)

$$\epsilon_1^{\text{Bose}} = \frac{g}{15\pi^2} (4m_p)^{3/2} C_0^{5/2} = \frac{2\pi a_{sp}^2}{m} \frac{128}{15\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\rho a^3} \quad \text{as desired!}$$