

Plan:

HW 4: 8.11, 8.12, 8.13

8.15, 8.22

(1) Modified propagator for photons + phonons

(2) fermion bubble

(3) Resummation

last time:

$$G_k^{\text{photon}}(t, t') = -i \langle T a_k(t) a_k^\dagger(t') \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_k^{\text{photon}}(t, t') &= -i \langle T \underbrace{(a_k(t) - a_k^\dagger(t))}_{-iA(k,t)} \underbrace{(a_k^\dagger(t') - a_k(t'))}_{iA^\dagger(k,t')} \rangle = -i \langle T a_k(t) a_k^\dagger(t') \rangle - i \langle T a_k^\dagger(t) a_k(t') \rangle \\ &= G_k(t, t') + G_{-k}(t', t) = -i \langle T A(k, t) A^\dagger(k, t') \rangle = \left[\text{correlator of vector gauge field} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Note 1: $A(k, t) = i(a_k(t) - a_k^\dagger(t)) \Rightarrow A^\dagger(k, t) = -i(a_k^\dagger(t) - a_k(t)) = [\text{matches the def above}]$

Note 2: In E+M all fields [e.g. E, B, A, Φ] are real fields

There is no such thing as complex E field [Jackson uses complex numbers to simplify calculations, but in the end he takes the real part]

Hence: $E_k(t)^* = E_{-k}(t)$ and $A_k(t)^* = A_{-k}(t)$

comparing to the above, we have defined:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A(k, t) &= i(a_k(t) - a_{-k}^\dagger(t)) \\ A(k, t)^\dagger &= -i(a_{-k}^\dagger(t) - a_k(t)) \end{aligned} \right\} A(-k, t)^\dagger = -i(a_{-k}^\dagger(t) - a_k(t)) = i(a_k(t) - a_{-k}^\dagger(t)) \quad (\checkmark)$$

What is the effect of introducing \tilde{G}^{ph} into our calculation?

$$\langle \text{bosons} \rangle = \langle T (a_k(t) - a_{-k}^\dagger(t)) (a_{-q_1}^\dagger(t_1) - a_{q_1}(t_1)) (a_{-q_2}(t_2) - a_{q_2}^\dagger(t_2)) (a_k^\dagger(t') - a_{-k}(t')) \rangle$$

[I dropped the disconnected part]

$$= -[G_k(t, t_1) + G_{-k}(t_1, t)] [G_{-k}(t_2, t') + G_k(t', t_2)] + \dots = -\tilde{G}_k(t, t_1) \tilde{G}_k(t_2, t') + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{just replace: } G_p^{\text{ph}(0)}(t_i, t_j) \rightarrow \tilde{G}_p^{\text{ph}(0)}(t_i, t_j)$$

\Rightarrow compute the fermion bubble on page 10 + 11 \rightarrow

Note 3: for photons we want to propagate the A -field \rightarrow we can see this from the structure of vac. polarization, the photon Green functions always come in pairs (10)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} t_1 \quad k \quad t_2 \\ \text{out} \quad \text{in} \\ \text{in} \quad \text{out} \\ t_1 \quad -k \quad t_2 \end{array} \right\} G_{\mathbf{k}}(t_1 - t_2) + G_{-\mathbf{k}}(t_2 - t_1) \equiv \tilde{G}(\mathbf{k}, t_1 - t_2)$$

upon Fourier transforming, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) &= G(\mathbf{k}, \omega) + G(-\mathbf{k}, -\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega - \omega_{\mathbf{k}} + i\epsilon} + \frac{1}{-\omega - \omega_{\mathbf{k}} + i\epsilon} \\ &= \frac{2\omega_{\mathbf{k}}}{\omega^2 - \omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + i\epsilon} \quad [D.S. \text{ page } 396] \end{aligned}$$

where $\omega_{\mathbf{k}} = c|\mathbf{k}|$ is the photon dispersion.

The Fermion Bubble:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: } \text{Bubble with } t_1 \text{ on left, } t_2 \text{ on right, } \text{out} \text{ on top, } \text{in} \text{ on bottom.} \\ \text{Diagram 2: } \text{Bubble with } t_1 \text{ on left, } t_2 \text{ on right, } \text{in} \text{ on top, } \text{out} \text{ on bottom.} \end{array} + \equiv \sum_{q_1} \Sigma(t_1, t_2) = \int d^3p_1 \left[G_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p}_1}^{(0)}(t_2 - t_1) G_{\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{q}_1}^{(0)}(t_1 - t_2) \right. \\ \left. + G_{\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1}^{(0)}(t_2 - t_1) G_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p}_1}^{(0)}(t_1 - t_2) \right]$$

Let us Fourier transform, using the fact that the system is time translation invariant we set $t_2 = 0$.

$$\Sigma_{q_1}(\omega) = \int e^{-i\omega t_1} \Sigma(t_1) dt_1 = \int dt_1 e^{-i\omega t_1} \int d^3p_1 \left[G_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p}_1}^{(0)}(-t_1) G_{\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{q}_1}^{(0)}(t_1) \right. \\ \left. + G_{\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1}^{(0)}(-t_1) G_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{p}_1}^{(0)}(t_1) \right]$$

$$\Sigma_g(\omega) = \int dt_1 e^{-i\omega t_1} \int \frac{d\omega_1 d\omega_2}{2\pi} \int \mathcal{D}p_1 \left[G_{V,p_1}^{(0)}(\omega_1) e^{-i\omega_1 t_1} G_{C,p_1+q_1}^{(0)}(\omega_2) e^{i\omega_2 t_1} + G_{C,p_1-q_1}^{(0)}(\omega_1) e^{-i\omega_1 t_1} G_{V,p_1}^{(0)}(\omega_2) e^{i\omega_2 t_1} \right]$$

$$= \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \int \mathcal{D}p_1 \left[G_{V,p_1}^{(0)}(\omega_1) G_{C,p_1+q_1}^{(0)}(\omega_1+\omega) + G_{C,p_1-q_1}^{(0)}(\omega_1) G_{V,p_1}^{(0)}(\omega_1+\omega) \right]$$

$$-\omega - \omega_1 + \omega_2 = 0$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int \mathcal{D}p_1 \left[\frac{1}{\omega_1 - \Sigma_{V,p} - i\varepsilon} \frac{1}{\omega + \omega_1 - \Sigma_{C,p+q} + i\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{\omega_1 - \Sigma_{C,p} + i\varepsilon} \times \frac{1}{\omega_1 + \omega - \Sigma_{V,p} - i\varepsilon} \right]$$

$$\omega_1 = \Sigma_{V,p} + i\varepsilon$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}p_1 \left[\frac{1}{\Sigma_{V,p} - \Sigma_{C,p+q} + \omega + i\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{-\omega + \Sigma_{V,p+q} - \Sigma_{C,p} + i\varepsilon} \right] \quad \omega_1 = \Sigma_{V,p+q} - \omega$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}p_1 \left[\frac{1}{\omega - (\Sigma_{C,p+q} - \Sigma_{V,p}) + i\varepsilon} - \frac{1}{\omega - (\Sigma_{V,p+q} - \Sigma_{C,p}) - i\varepsilon} \right]$$

\Rightarrow assume $m \rightarrow \infty$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}p_1 \left[\frac{1}{\omega - \omega_0 + i\varepsilon} - \frac{1}{\omega + \omega_0 - i\varepsilon} \right] = [\#] \left[\frac{2\omega_0 - i\varepsilon}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\varepsilon} \right]$$

$$[\omega - (\omega_0 - i\varepsilon)][\omega + (\omega_0 - i\varepsilon)]$$

$$\omega^2 - (\omega_0 - i\varepsilon)^2 = \omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\varepsilon$$

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$$\Sigma_k(\omega) = [\#] \frac{2\omega_0}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\varepsilon}$$

Diagrammatically we can represent the fermion bubble as:

$$\text{---} \sum_{k,\omega} \text{---} = \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega)$$

photon \rightarrow bubble \rightarrow photon

$\Sigma_k(\omega)$ is called the photon self energy

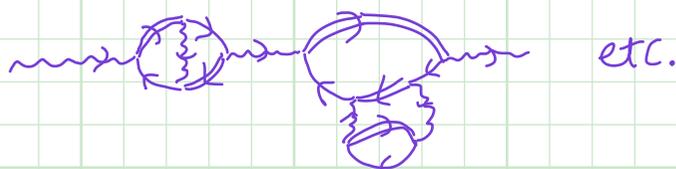
Resummation of diagrams:

We can improve on the photon propagator without much additional work using diagram resummation.

consider the following series of diagrams that make up the photon propagator:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_K^{\text{photon}}(\omega) &= \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \dots \\ &= \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) + \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) + \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Note 1: This series is, to be sure, missing some terms \Rightarrow examples?



Note 2: This series is easy to sum using a simple "brick"

(a) consider the power series in small $\Sigma_k(\omega)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega)} &= \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) + [\tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega)] \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) + [\tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega)]^2 \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}(0)}(\omega) + \dots \\ &= \tilde{G}_K^{\text{ph}}(\omega) \quad [\text{Exactly the answer that we were looking for}] \end{aligned}$$

(b) What is the meaning of the above expression? multiply both sides by the denominator:

$$(1 - \tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega)) \tilde{G}_k^{ph}(\omega) = \tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega)$$

$$\text{Rearrange} \Rightarrow \tilde{G}_k^{ph}(\omega) = \tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega) + \tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_k^{ph}(\omega) \quad [\text{Dyson eq.}]$$

This equation constructs the full photon Green function iteratively. Let's demonstrate diagrammatically.

$$\text{wavy line} = \tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega)$$

$$\text{bold wavy line} = \tilde{G}_k^{ph}(\omega)$$

bold

Using diagrams the Dyson equation looks like this:

$$\text{bold wavy line} = \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line}$$

$$\text{at (0)-th order} \quad \text{bold wavy line} = \text{wavy line}$$

$$\text{at (1)-st order} \quad \text{bold wavy line} = \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line} = \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line}$$

$$\text{at (2)-nd order} \quad \text{bold wavy line} = \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line} = \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line} \Sigma \text{ wavy line}$$

etc...

series generated recursively.

Note 3: How is the photon propagator affected by semiconductor?

let's plug $\tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega) = \frac{2\omega_k}{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 + i\epsilon}$ into the Dyson eq:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_k^{ph}(\omega) &= \frac{\tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{G}_k^{ph(0)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega)} = \frac{2\omega_k}{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 + i\epsilon} \left[1 - \frac{2\omega_k}{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 + i\epsilon} \Sigma_k(\omega) \right]^{-1} \\ &= \frac{2\omega_k}{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 + i\epsilon} \left[\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 + i\epsilon - 2\omega_k \Sigma_k(\omega)}{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 + i\epsilon} \right]^{-1} = \frac{2\omega_k}{\omega^2 - \omega_k^2 - 2\omega_k \Sigma_k(\omega) + i\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow It looks like $\Sigma_k(\omega)$ is shifting the energy, ω_k , of the photon.

Hence $\Sigma_k(\omega)$ is called the self-energy.

Note 4: What is the relation between $\Sigma_k(\omega)$ and quantities we know like χ ?

Conventionally in optics, if we want photon propagation in medium, we change the speed of light: $\omega_k = ck \rightarrow \tilde{\omega}_k = \tilde{c}k$. Let's compare photon propagating with alternate speed of light to the above answer:

In medium:

$$\tilde{G}_k^{ph}(\omega) = \frac{2\tilde{\omega}_k}{\omega^2 - \tilde{\omega}_k^2 + i\xi} \Rightarrow \text{pole located at: } \omega^2 = \tilde{\omega}_k^2 = \tilde{c}^2 k^2 = \frac{c^2 k^2}{n^2}$$

Our calculation, pole located at: $\omega^2 = \omega_k^2 + 2ck \Sigma_k(\omega) = c^2 k^2 + 2ck \Sigma_k(\omega)$

Comparing the two: $\frac{c^2 k^2}{n^2} = c^2 k^2 + 2ck \Sigma_k(\omega) \Rightarrow c^2 k^2 (1 - n^2) = 2ck \Sigma_k(\omega)$

$$(1 - n^2) = -\chi = \frac{2\Sigma_k(\omega)}{ck}$$

\Rightarrow Next time \Rightarrow finite temperature diagrams

\Rightarrow linear response at $T \neq 0$, e.g. conductivity