

Plan: (1) Resummation (RPA)

(2) Imaginary freq. poles + spontaneous symmetry breaking

last time: Diagrammatically we can represent the fermion bubble as:

$$\text{bubble} = \sum_{k, \omega} \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega)$$

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:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_k^{\text{photon}}(\omega) &= \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \circlearrowleft \text{wavy line} + \text{wavy line} \circlearrowleft \text{wavy line} \circlearrowleft \text{wavy line} + \dots \\ &= \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) + \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) + \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) \Sigma_k(\omega) \tilde{G}_k^{\text{ph}(\omega)}(\omega) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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 $\Sigma_k(\omega)$:

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

(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:

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

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

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

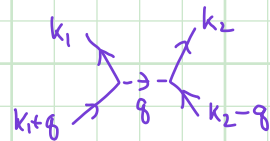
$$(1 - n^2) = -\chi = \frac{2\Sigma_k(\omega)}{ck}$$

Pair and spin susceptibilities in Fermi Gas.

Consider a Fermi gas with point contact interactions

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \underbrace{\left(\frac{k^2}{2m} - \mu\right)}_{\epsilon_k} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + U \int dx_1 dx_2 c_{x_1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{x_1\uparrow} c_{x_2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{x_2\downarrow} \delta(x_1 - x_2)$$

$$U \sum_{k_1 k_2 q} c_{k_1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k_1+q\uparrow} c_{k_2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k_2-q\downarrow}$$



Let us compute the spin susceptibility

$$\chi(q, \omega) = \int dt e^{i\omega t} \langle S^+(q, t) S^-(q, 0) \rangle = \int dt e^{i\omega t} \left\langle \left(\sum_{k_1} c_{k_1\uparrow}^\dagger(t) c_{k_1-q\downarrow}(t) \right) \left(\sum_{k_2} c_{k_2\downarrow}^\dagger(0) c_{k_2+q\uparrow}(0) \right) \right\rangle$$

The non interacting part

$$\chi^{(0)}(q, t) = S^+(q, t) \text{ (diagram)} S^-(q, 0) = +i \int dk_1 G_{k_1\uparrow}^{(0)}(t) G_{k_1-q\downarrow}^{(0)}(-t)$$

0th order (-i)(-1) ← 1 fermion loop } or something ...

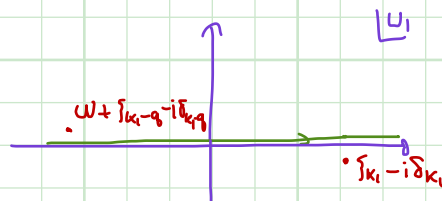
$$\chi^{(0)}(q, \omega) = S^+(q, \omega) \text{ (diagram)} S^-(q, -\omega) = +i \int dk_1 \frac{d\omega_1}{(2\pi)} G_{k_1\uparrow}^{(0)}(\omega_1) G_{k_1-q\downarrow}^{(0)}(\omega_1 - \omega)$$

$$= \int dk_1 \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{\omega_1 - \xi_{k_1} + i\delta_{k_1}} \frac{1}{\omega_1 - \omega - \xi_{k_1-q} + i\delta_{k_1-q}} \right] \quad \delta_k = \delta \text{ sign}(\xi_k)$$

Strategy: perform the ω_1 integral first, then perform the dk_1 integral

poles: $\omega_1 = \xi_{k_1} - i\delta_{k_1}$

$\omega_1 = \omega + \xi_{k_1-q} - i\delta_{k_1-q}$



contour integral non-zero only if one pole in upper-half plane + the other in lower half-plane