One-dimensional Quantum Liquids

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Outline

- Quasiparticle description of interacting fermions: D>1 vs. D=1
- Tomonaga-Luttinger: full solution for interacting fermions with linear spectrum, basis for the Luttinger liquid phenomenology
- Fermions with nonlinear spectrum: interaction as perturbation
- New phenomenology: nonlinear Luttinger liquid
- Universality of dynamic responses in nonlinear Luttinger liquid
- Fermions with spin, holons and spinons
- Kinetics of a 1D quantum liquid
- Dynamic Responses of 1D bosonic and spin liquids

Interacting fermions

Landau Fermi liquid theory (1956-1958):



how well the quasiparticles are defined?

Quasiparticles in a Fermi-liquid (D>1)



Interacting fermions: D>1

spectral function $A(\varepsilon,k) = -\text{Im}\,G^R$

$$G^{R}(\varepsilon,k) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \xi(k) - \Sigma(\varepsilon,k)} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \tilde{\xi}_{k} - i/2\tau_{\varepsilon}}$$

a hole in a 3D Fermi liquid:



Peculiarity of D=1



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$$G^{R}(\varepsilon, k) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \xi(k) - \Sigma(\varepsilon, k)}$$
$$-\mathrm{Im}\Sigma(\varepsilon, \xi_{k}) \propto V_{ee}^{2} \cdot (\varepsilon - \xi_{k})\theta(\varepsilon - |\xi_{k}|) \qquad \xi_{k} < 0$$

Spectral function: Perturbation theory

$$\begin{split} \varepsilon & \hat{T} \propto \hat{V}_{\text{int}} \frac{1}{E - \hat{H}_0} \hat{V}_{\text{tunn}} + \dots \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\$$

3 integrations, 2 conservation laws: one integration left

$$A(\varepsilon, k) = -\operatorname{Im} G_R(\varepsilon, k) \propto V_{LR}^2 \frac{\theta(\varepsilon - \xi_k)}{\varepsilon - \xi_k}$$

Tomonaga-Luttinger Model

Simplification: Interacting fermions with linear energy spectrum



Progress of Theoretical Physics Vol. 5, No. 4, July-August, 1950

Remarks on Bloch's Method of Sound Waves applied to Many-Fermion Problems

Sin-itiro Tomonaga

... an assembly of Fermi particles can be described by a quantized field of sound waves in the Fermi gas, where the sound field obeys Bose statistics, is proved in the one-dimensional case... ... The field

equation for the sound wave is found to be linear irrespective of the absence or presence of mutual interaction between particles, so that this method is a very useful means of dealing with many-Fermion problems.

Bosonization (and Spectrum Curvature)

$$H_{int}(x) = V_{LL}(\partial_x \varphi_L)^2 + V_{RR}(\partial_x \varphi_R)^2 + 2V_{LR}(\partial_x \varphi_L)(\partial_x \varphi_R)$$

 $arphi_{L,R}\leftrightarrowarphi\pmartheta$ excess density ($n(x)=\partial_xarphi$), momentum ($\propto\partial_xartheta$)

Quantized Displacement Fields (Bosonization)

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{v}{2\pi} \int dx \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{K} (\partial_x \varphi)^2 + K(\partial_x \vartheta)^2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{conjugate variable} \\ \text{(momentum)} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \varphi(x), \vartheta(y) \end{bmatrix} \propto \operatorname{sign}(x - y) \end{array}$$

field of displacements, $n(x) = \partial_x \varphi$

v =	$\sqrt{\pi n_0 \ \partial \mu}$	Galilean invariance	$K-\frac{\pi n_0}{2}$
	$\overline{m} \overline{\partial n}$	$(V_{LL} = V_{LR} = V_{RR})$	m = mv

Dynamics is controlled by two parameters of the liquid: v and K

K < 1K = 1K > 1repulsionfree fermionsattraction

Dynamic Structure Factor

Perturbation:
$$\mathcal{H}_{ext} = \int \hat{n}(x)U(x,t)dx$$

Linear response to $U(q, \omega)$: density-density correlation function

$$\chi(q,\omega) = \left\langle -i\theta(t) \left[\hat{n}(x,t), \hat{n}^{\dagger}(0,0) \right] \right\rangle_{q,\omega}$$

dynamic structure factor:

$$\begin{split} S(q,\omega) &= \int dx \, dt \, e^{i(\omega t - qx)} \big\langle \hat{n}(x,t) \hat{n}(0,0) \big\rangle = 2 \, \mathrm{Im} \chi(q,\omega) \\ & \text{at } T = 0 \ \mathrm{(FDT)} \end{split}$$

Structure factor of a Luttinger liquid

 $n(x) = \partial_x \varphi$ "acoustic phonons"

$$\frac{S(q,\omega)}{\sim} = \left\langle n(q,\omega)n(-q,-\omega) \right\rangle \propto \left\langle \varphi(q,\omega)\varphi(-q,-\omega) \right\rangle$$
$$\sim q \,\delta(\omega - vq)$$



Spectrum Curvature in Bosonization



 $H_{int}(x) = V_{LL}(\partial_x \varphi_L)^2 + V_{RR}(\partial_x \varphi_R)^2 + 2V_{LR}(\partial_x \varphi_L)(\partial_x \varphi_R)$

Curvature as a perturbation

An Exactly Soluble Model of a Many-Fermion System*

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An exactly soluble model of a one-dimensional many-fermion system is discussed. The model has a fairly realistic interaction between pairs of fermions. An exact calculation of the momentum distribution in the ground state is given. It is shown that there is no discontinuity in the momentum distribution in this model at the Fermi surface, but that the momentum distribution has infinite slope there. Comparison with the results of perturbation theory for the same model is also presented, and it is shown that, for this case at least, the perturbation and exact answers behave qualitatively alike. Finally, the response of the system to external fields is also discussed.

I. INTRODUCTION

WE shall be concerned in this paper with a model of a many-fermion system which is exactly soluble. The model is quite unrealistic for two reasons: it is one-dimensional and the fermions are massless. On the other hand, it has the realistic feature that there is a true pair interaction between the particles. It is very closely related to the wellknown Thirring Model¹ in field theory, though slightly more general. Our main interest in the model is in connection with the question of whether or not a sharp Fermi Surface (F.S.) exists in the exact ground state. (1) Higher dimensions – Fermi-liquidtheory (1956 - …)

(2) One-dimensional fermions with mass (a part of these lectures)

Back to free fermions

Lehmann (Golden rule – like) representation



Curvature: free fermions perspective



$$\begin{split} \delta \omega &= q^2/m \sim \omega^2/\epsilon_F \\ \implies & \text{ the peak is narrow } (\text{recall } \frac{1}{\tau_{\varepsilon}} \propto \varepsilon^2/\epsilon_F \text{ in D=3}) \\ & \text{ but... } \text{ it is not a Lorentzian (non-analytical in } \omega) \\ & \quad \delta \omega \propto 1/|m| \text{ (non-analytical in curvature)} \end{split}$$

Effect of interaction, $\omega \rightarrow \omega_{-}$



singularity $[\ln(\omega - \omega_{-})]^n$ in each order of perturb. theory in V

1-st order perturbation theory in interaction



Fermi edge singularity in metals



threshold + interactions = power law

What is different in our case?

Hole is mobile.

Does not spoil power-law singularity in D=1, but rather modifies the exponent.

Ogawa, Furusaki, Nagaosa, 1992 Nozieres, 1994; Balents, 2000

Hole belongs to the same band.



Requires inclusion of exchange interaction

Absorption edge: $\omega \rightarrow \omega_{-}$



1D Fermions – Structure Factor



Struct. factor of a linear Luttinger liquid

 $n(x) = \partial_x \varphi$ "acoustic phonons"

$$\frac{S(q,\omega)}{\sim} = \left\langle n(q,\omega)n(-q,-\omega) \right\rangle \propto \left\langle \varphi(q,\omega)\varphi(-q,-\omega) \right\rangle \\ \sim q \,\delta(\omega - vq)$$





Spectral function of a linear Luttinger liquid-1

$$\begin{aligned} A(k,\omega) &= -\mathrm{Im}\,G^{R}(k,\omega) \\ & G^{R}(x,t) \propto \langle \hat{\Psi}^{\dagger}(x,t)\hat{\Psi}(0,0)\rangle \theta(t) \end{aligned}$$
Fermionic field: $\Psi(x,t) \approx \hat{\Psi}_{R}(x,t)e^{ik_{F}x} + \hat{\Psi}_{L}(x,t)e^{-ik_{F}x} \\ \Psi^{\dagger}_{R}(x,t) \propto e^{-i\varphi_{R}(x,t)} \propto e^{-i\varphi(x,t)}e^{i\theta(x,t)} \end{aligned}$

$$\begin{aligned} G^{R}(x,t) \to \langle e^{-i\varphi_{R}(x,t)}e^{i\varphi_{R}(0,0)}\rangle_{H} \\ H_{kin}(x) &= \int_{k_{L}(x)}^{k_{R}(x)} \xi_{k}\,dk = \frac{v_{F}}{2}\left[(\partial_{x}\varphi_{L})^{2} + (\partial_{x}\varphi_{R})^{2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

 $H_{int}(x) = V_{LL}(\partial_x \varphi_L)^2 + V_{RR}(\partial_x \varphi_R)^2 + 2V_{LR}(\partial_x \varphi_L)(\partial_x \varphi_R)$

Spectral function of a linear Luttinger liquid-2

$$\langle e^{-i\varphi_R(x,t)} e^{i\varphi_R(0,0)} \rangle_H \qquad H_{kin}(x) = \frac{v_F}{2} \left[(\partial_x \varphi_L)^2 + (\partial_x \varphi_R)^2 \right]$$
$$H_{int}(x) = V_{LL} (\partial_x \varphi_L)^2 + V_{RR} (\partial_x \varphi_R)^2 + 2V_{LR} (\partial_x \varphi_L) (\partial_x \varphi_R)$$
$$H = H_{kin} + H_{int} = A \left[(\partial_x \varphi_L)^2 + (\partial_x \varphi_R)^2 \right] + B \partial_x \varphi_L \partial_x \varphi_R$$

 $\partial_x \varphi_L \pm \partial_x \varphi_R$ canonically conjugate

Diagonalization, re-scaling (canon. transf.): $\varphi_L, \varphi_R \rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}_L, \tilde{\varphi}_R$

$$ilde{H} = rac{v}{2} \left[(\partial_x ilde{arphi}_L)^2 + (\partial_x ilde{arphi}_R)^2
ight]$$

(looks like bosonized free fermions)

Spectral function of a linear Luttinger liquid-3

Diagonalization, re-scaling (canon. transf.): $\varphi_L, \varphi_R \to \tilde{\varphi}_L, \tilde{\varphi}_R$

 $\langle \exp\{-i\alpha_R \tilde{\varphi}_R(x,t)\} \cdot \exp\{i\alpha_R \tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0)\} \rangle_{\tilde{H}}$

 $= \exp\{-(1/2)\alpha_R^2 \langle (\tilde{\varphi}_R(x,t) - \tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0))\tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0) \rangle_{\tilde{H}}\}$

Evaluation of correlation functions

 $\exp\{-(1/2)\alpha_R^2\langle (\tilde{\varphi}_R(x,t) - \tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0))\tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0)\rangle_{\tilde{H}}\}$

Equation of motion:

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - v \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right\} \langle \tilde{\varphi}_R(x,t) \tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0) \rangle_{\tilde{H}} \propto \delta(x-vt)$$
$$[\varphi_R(x,t), \varphi_R(0)] \propto \operatorname{sign}(x-vt)$$

 $\langle (\tilde{\varphi}_R(x,t) - \tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0))\tilde{\varphi}_R(0,0) \rangle_{\tilde{H}} \propto \ln[(x-vt)/x_0]$

A(arepsilon,k) in the linear Luttinger Liquid

Linear spectrum
$$\xi_k = v_F k$$

(*k* is measured from Fermi point k_F)

$$A(arepsilon,k) \propto rac{ heta(arepsilon^2 - v^2k^2)}{arepsilon - vk} (arepsilon^2 - v^2k^2)^{rac{1}{4}\left(K + rac{1}{K}
ight) - rac{1}{2}}$$

Tomonaga-Luttinger model: (1974) bosonisation (Luther, Peschel) or series summation for original fermions (Dzyaloshinskii, Larkin)

Linear Luttinger Liquid Phenomenology

Deemed adequate at arbitrarily small ξ_k in the scaling limit $\varepsilon/vk = \text{finite}, k/k_F \rightarrow 0$





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- Quasiparticle description of interacting fermions: D>1 vs. D=1
- Fermions with a generic spectrum: interaction as perturbation
- Linear Luttinger liquid: bosonization, full solution for interacting fermions with linear spectrum (long wavelength excitations)
- Arbitrary interactions and wavelengths: nonlinear Luttinger liquid
 - Nonlinear Luttinger liquid: new phenomenology
 - Fermions with spin, holons and spinons
 - Kinetics of a 1D quantum liquid
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Back to generic 1D Fermions



Arbitrary interaction strength and momenta

Universality?



1. Excitation energies at given (finite) momentum are finite – true at ANY interaction strength

$$arepsilon = |\xi_k| ext{ for } A(k,arepsilon) \ \omega = \omega_-(q) ext{ for } S(q,\omega)$$

2. Low-energy dynamics at arbitrary momentum – UNIVERSAL (power-law threshold singularities in the response functions), allows for a phenomenological description – nonlinear Luttinger liquid

3. Shape of the edges, (
$$\omega=\omega_-(q)$$
 , $~arepsilon=\xi_k$)

are not universal (microscopics)

Phenomenology: a hint from perturbation theory



1-st order perturbation theory in interaction



Generalization: "quantum impurity"



Left and Right movers:

$$H_0 = \frac{v}{2\pi} \int dx \left(K(\nabla \vartheta)^2 + \frac{1}{K} (\nabla \varphi)^2 \right)$$

 $\varphi, \vartheta = \varphi_L \pm \varphi_R$

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d:
$$H_d = \int dx \ d^{\dagger}(x) (\varepsilon(k) - iv_d \frac{\partial}{\partial x}) d(x)$$
 $K = \frac{mv_0}{mv}$
 $v_d = \partial \varepsilon(k) / \partial k$

$$H_{int} = \int dx \left(\frac{V_{\varphi}}{\nabla \varphi} \nabla \frac{\varphi}{2\pi} - \frac{V_{\theta}}{2\pi} \nabla \frac{\vartheta}{2\pi} \right) d(x) d^{\dagger}(x)$$

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$$H_{0} = \frac{v}{2\pi} \int dx \left(K(\nabla \vartheta)^{2} + \frac{1}{K} (\nabla \varphi)^{2} \right)$$
$$H_{d} = \int dx \ d^{\dagger}(x) (\varepsilon(k) - iv_{d} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}) d(x)$$

$$H_{int} = \int dx \left(\frac{V_{\varphi} \nabla \frac{\varphi}{2\pi} - V_{\theta} \nabla \frac{\vartheta}{2\pi}}{\int} \right) d(x) d^{\dagger}(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \neq 0$$

$$1 \qquad \partial \varepsilon(k) \qquad k$$

use Galilean invariance, Baym&Ebner, 1967

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$$\frac{1}{2}V_{\theta} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon(k)}{\partial k} - \frac{k}{m}$$

Mapping on free chiral fermions

$$\begin{split} \varphi, \vartheta &\to \tilde{\varphi} \pm \tilde{\vartheta} \to \tilde{\varphi}_{L,R} \\ H_0 &= \frac{v}{2\pi} \int dx \left((\nabla \tilde{\varphi}_L)^2 + (\nabla \tilde{\varphi}_R)^2 \right) & \text{Free chiral (L,R) fermions} \\ H_d &= \int dx \; d^{\dagger}(x) (\varepsilon(k) - iv_d \frac{\partial}{\partial x}) d(x) & \text{impurity} \\ H_{int} &= \int dx \left(\frac{\tilde{V}_L \nabla \frac{\tilde{\varphi}_L}{2\pi} - \tilde{V}_R \nabla \frac{\tilde{\varphi}_R}{2\pi} \right) d(x) d^{\dagger}(x) \\ & \text{Forward-scattering of L and R fermions off impurity} \end{split}$$

Scattering phase shifts of L and R off impurity: $\frac{\delta_{\pm}}{2\pi} = \frac{\tilde{V}_{R,L}}{v \mp v_d}$

 $V_{arphi}, V_{ heta}
ightarrow \delta_+, \delta_-$

Operators: Hole creation



Creating a hole close to the threshold:

$$\psi(x) \to \hat{d}(x)$$

 $G^{R}(x,t) \propto \langle \hat{d}^{\dagger}(x,t) \hat{d}(0,0) \rangle \theta(t)$

$$A(k,\omega) = -\text{Im}\,G^R(k,\omega)$$

Operators: Hole density



$$\Psi^{\dagger}_{R}(x,t) \propto e^{-i arphi_{R}(x,t)}$$

Density operator close to the threshold:

$$\hat{n}^{\dagger}(x) \rightarrow \psi_{R}^{\dagger}(x)\hat{d}(x) \propto e^{-i\varphi_{R}(x)}\hat{d}(x)$$

 $\chi(q,\omega) = \left\langle -i\theta(t)[\hat{n}(x,t), \hat{n}^{\dagger}(0,0)] \right\rangle_{q,\omega}$
 $S(q,\omega) = -2\mathrm{Im}\chi(q,\omega)$

Observables: Spectral function $A(k, \omega)$

$$A(k,\omega) \propto \theta(\varepsilon(k) - \omega) \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon(k) - \omega} \right|^{1 - \left(\frac{\delta_{\pm}(k)}{2\pi}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\delta_{-}(k)}{2\pi}\right)^2} \\ \delta_{\pm}, \delta_{-} \leftrightarrow V_{\varphi}, V_{\theta} \\ H_{int} = \int dx \left(\frac{V_{\varphi} \nabla \frac{\varphi}{2\pi} - V_{\theta} \nabla \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \right) d(x) d^{\dagger}(x) \\ & \overbrace{\varepsilon}^{\xi} \\ \frac{1}{2} V_{\varphi} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon(k)}{\partial \rho} + \frac{\pi v}{K} \\ \frac{1}{2} V_{\theta} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon(k)}{\partial k} - \frac{k}{m} \\ \end{cases}$$

Observables



s=1/2 fermions: 4 modes (L,R; s,c), edge=*spinon* spectrum: δ^{c}_{\pm} similar to $\delta_{\pm}(k)$, $\delta^{s}_{\pm} = 0$ due to SU(2)

Crossover to linear Luttinger liquid



Position of the edge completely defines the singularities!

Spectral function threshold at $p > k_F$

 $arphi - vk ert \ll k, \ k/k_F
ightarrow 0$ (here *k* is measured from k_F) Finite mass of fermion – new energy scale $\ \delta \omega = rac{k^2}{2m_*}$



Universal crossover function

$$A(arepsilon,k) = Aigg(rac{arepsilon - vk}{\delta \omega}igg)$$

True vs. Luttinger liquid exponents

Luttinger liquid of s=1/2 fermions

spin&charge
$$\varphi_{\uparrow,\downarrow} = \frac{1}{2}(\varphi_c \pm \varphi_s)$$



$$H_{\nu} = \frac{v_{\nu}}{2\pi} \int dx \left[K_{\nu} (\nabla \theta_{\nu})^2 + \frac{1}{K_{\nu}} (\nabla \phi_{\nu})^2 \right]$$
$$K_s \to \mathbf{1}$$
$$K_c < \mathbf{1} \quad \text{(repulsion)}$$



Getting closer to experiments: *s***=1/2**



Spinon and holon modes away from $\pm p_F$



Spin-charge separation at arbitrary p

Any interaction strength

Threshold in $A(p,\varepsilon)$ at the spinon spectrum $\varepsilon_s(p)$



Tunneling creates one spinon with energy $\varepsilon_s(p)$ and low-energy "shake-up" holons (but not spinons)

$$A(p,arepsilon)\propto (arepsilon-arepsilon_s(p))^\gamma$$

 $\gamma(p)$ can be expressed in terms of

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon_s(p,\rho)}{\partial p}, \frac{\partial \varepsilon_s(p,\rho)}{\partial \rho}$$

Schmidt, Imambekov, LG, PRL 104, 116403 (2010)

Experiment: spectrum of excitations



(broadened) particle mass shell

Auslaender *et al., Science* **308**, 88–92 (2005)



momentum "boost" $\Delta p = edB/c$

(1) opposite curvatures of"spinon" and "particle"branches; (2) particlepeak vs spinon threshold

Kinetics of 1D quantum liquid

 Broadening of singular responses within continuum at zero temperature, relaxation of finite-energy excitations



Finite-temperature relaxation:
(1) low-energy processes;
(2) processes with a finite activation energy

••• Thermalization

Spinless fermions: $1/\tau(k)$ at T = 0

Perturbation in interaction



Leading Corrections to Nonlinear Luttinger

Spinless particle relaxation, generic interaction



Smearing of the spectral function's singularity at the mass shell: apparently $\propto (k/k_F)^8$ (Matveev 2012, private comm)

Particles (s=1/2) : finite lifetimes



3-particle collisions

(s=1/2 scattering channel, non-integrable potential, T=0)

Particles relax, holes do not

A. Yacoby group, Harvard (Nature Physics, 2010)



1D1EeBoisons – Structure Factor



(integrable Lieb-Liniger model)

Spin structure factor exponents





 $S(q,\omega) \propto (\omega - \omega_{-}(q))^{-1/2}$ Any q !!!

Conclusions





New singular behavior

Conclusions

$$A(k,\omega) \propto \theta(\varepsilon(k) - \omega) \left| \frac{1}{\varepsilon(k) - \omega} \right|^{1 - \left(\frac{\delta_+(k)}{2\pi}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\delta_-(k)}{2\pi}\right)^2}$$



Direct relation between exponents and energy spectrum

More applications: electron (s=1/2) liquid, spinor Bose liquid, 1D magnets [use of SU(2) symmetry]; other responses

New use of TBA: dynamics of integrable models

Nonlinear Luftinger Liquids

collaborations:

Adilet Imambekov (Rice University), Alex Kamenev (U. of Minnesota), Thomas Schmidt, Shina Tan (Yale University), Michael Pustilnik (Georgia Tech), Maxim Khodas (Iowa Univ), Felix von Oppen (Berlin Free University) discussions:

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reading:

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