Moments of the Hubbard and t-J models

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For Hubbard model, write $H = H - \mu \hat{N}$ the Grand canonical Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \xi_k c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k) c_{\sigma}(k) + \frac{U}{N_s} \sum_{k,p,Q} c_{\uparrow}^{\dagger}(k+Q) c_{\uparrow}(k) c_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}(p-Q) c_{\downarrow}(p),$$

with $\xi(k) = \varepsilon_k - \mu$, and the time dependent operators

$$c_{\sigma}(k,\tau) = e^{\tau H} c_{\sigma}(k) e^{-\tau H}$$

so that the Greens function is

$$G(k,\tau) = -\theta(\tau)Tr \ e^{-\beta H} \ c_{\sigma}(k,\tau)c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k) + \theta(-\tau)Tr \ e^{-\beta H} \ c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k)c_{\sigma}(k,\tau). \tag{1}$$

The Kubo Martin Schwinger Matsubara (KMSM) boundary condition reads with $-\beta \le \tau \le 0$ and $0 \le \tau + \beta$ as

$$G(k,\tau) = -G(k,\tau+\beta),$$
(2)

and using this we write the Fourier series for G as

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \int_0^\beta d\tau \ e^{i\omega_n \tau} \ G(k, \tau) \tag{3}$$

where $\omega_n = \pi (2n+1)k_BT$ is the odd Matsubara frequency, and the inverse transform

$$G(k,\tau) = k_B T \sum_{\omega_n} e^{-i\omega_n \tau} G(k, i\omega_n). \tag{4}$$

We now study Eq 3 for large ω_n , integrating by parts

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n} [e^{i\omega_n \tau} G(k, \tau)]_{0+}^{\beta^-} - \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \int_0^\beta d\tau \ e^{i\omega_n \tau} \ \partial_\tau G(k, \tau), \tag{5}$$

and using the KMSM condition Eq 2 we get

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n} [G(k, 0^-) - G(k, 0^+)] - \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \int_0^\beta d\tau \ e^{i\omega_n \tau} \ \partial_\tau G(k, \tau),$$

$$= \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \langle \{c_\sigma(k), c_\sigma^\dagger(k)\} \rangle - \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \int_0^\beta d\tau \ e^{i\omega_n \tau} \ \partial_\tau G(k, \tau)$$

$$= \frac{1}{i\omega_n} - \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \int_0^\beta d\tau \ e^{i\omega_n \tau} \ \partial_\tau G(k, \tau).$$
(6)

We used the standard anticommutator here. We next define

$$G^{(p)}(k,\tau) = \frac{d^p}{d\tau^p}G(k,\tau),$$

and

$$c_{\sigma}^{(p)}(k,\tau) = \frac{d^p}{d\tau^p} c_{\sigma}(k,\tau) = [K, [K, \dots [K, c_{\sigma}(k)] \dots],$$

and hence by repeating the trick, we obtain an iterative equation

$$G^{(p)}(k, i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \langle \{c_{\sigma}^{(p)}(k), c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k)\} \rangle - \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \int_0^\beta d\tau \ e^{i\omega_n \tau} \ G^{(p+1)}(k, \tau). \tag{7}$$

(14)

Therefore we obtain a high frequency expansion

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} (\frac{1}{i\omega_n})^{p+1} \mu_G^{(p)}(k),$$

$$\mu_G^{(p)}(k) \equiv (-1)^p \langle \{c_{\sigma}^{(p)}(k), c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k)\} \rangle$$
(8)

this is also called the moment expansion.

Next we discuss the spectral representation

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \, \frac{\rho_G(k, \nu)}{i\omega_n - \nu}$$
(9)

where

$$\rho_G(k,\nu) = \sum_{n,m} (p_n + p_m) \langle n | c_{\sigma}(k) | m \rangle \langle m | c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k) | n \rangle \delta(\nu - \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_n).$$
(9)

We may expand this at high frequencies as

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{i\omega_n}\right)^{p+1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \, \rho_G(k, \nu) \, \nu^p \tag{10}$$

and conclude that the moments are given by

$$\mu_G^{(p)}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ \rho_G(k, \nu) \ \nu^p = (-1)^p \langle \{c_{\sigma}^{(p)}(k), c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k)\} \rangle \tag{11}$$

For the Hubbard model, the Greens function is also decomposed as

$$(G(k, i\omega_n))^{-1} = i\omega_n - \xi(k) - Un/2 - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_{\Sigma}(k, \nu)}{i\omega_n - \nu} d\nu, \tag{12}$$

and hence we may expand this for high frequencies and thereby find the moments of $\rho_{\Sigma}(k,\nu)$ in terms of those for $\rho_{G}(k,\nu)$, as a simple exercise. Calling $a_{p}(k)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\ d\nu\rho_{G}(k,\nu)\ \nu^{p}$, we get: (suppressing the k dependence)

$$a_0 = \mu_G^{(2)} - (\mu_G^{(1)})^2$$

$$a_1 = \mu_G^{(3)} - 2\mu_G^{(2)}\mu_G^{(1)} + (\mu_G^{(3)})^3$$
(13)

We may then write two alternative expressions

$$(1 - f(\nu)) \rho_G(k, \nu) = \rho_G^{>}(k, \nu)$$

$$f(\nu) \rho_G(k, \nu) = \rho_G^{<}(k, \nu).$$
(14)

where

$$\rho_G^{>}(k,\nu) = \sum_{n,m} p_n \langle n|c_{\sigma}(k)|m\rangle \langle m|c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k)|n\rangle \delta(\nu - \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_n), \text{ or}$$

$$\rho_G^{<}(k,\nu) = \sum_{n,m} p_n \langle n|c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k)|m\rangle \langle m|c_{\sigma}(k)|n\rangle \delta(\nu - \varepsilon_n + \varepsilon_m)$$

We note the relation

$$\rho_G^{>}(k,\nu) = e^{\beta\nu} \rho_G^{<}(k,\nu). \tag{15}$$

In time domain:

$$G(k,\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ \rho_G(k,\nu) \ e^{-\nu\tau} \left[\theta(-\tau)f(\nu) - \theta(\tau)(1 - f(\nu)) \right]$$
 (16)

or

$$G(k,\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ e^{-\nu\tau} \left[\theta(-\tau)\rho_G^{\leq}(k,\nu) - \theta(\tau)\rho_G^{\geq}(k,\nu) \right].$$
 (17)

which is automactically satisfied with the above representation Eq. (17) upon using Eq. (15).

Real time propagators

We will also be interested in

$$i G(k,t) = -\theta(t) \left\langle e^{iHt} c_{\sigma}(k) e^{-iHt} c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k) \right\rangle + \theta(-t) \left\langle c_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(k) e^{iHt} c_{\sigma}(k) e^{-iHt} \right\rangle$$
(18)

We see that

$$i G(k,t) = -\theta(t) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ e^{-i\nu t} \rho_G(k,\nu) \overline{f}(\nu) + \theta(-t) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \ e^{-i\nu t} \rho_G(k,\nu) f(\nu)$$
 (19)