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Uniqueness of the Physical Vacuum and the Wightman Functions in the Infinite Volume Limit for Some non Polynomial Interactions

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Abstract. We consider quantum field theoretical models in *n* dimensional space-time given by interaction densities which are bounded functions of an ultraviolet cut-off boson field. Using methods of euclidean Markov field theory and of classical statistical mechanics, we construct the infinite volume imaginary and real time Wightman functions as limits of the corresponding quantities for the space cut-off models. In the physical Hilbert space, the space-time translations are represented by strongly continuous unitary groups and the generator of time translations H is positive and has a unique, simple lowest eigenvalue zero, with eigenvector Ω , which is the unique state invariant under space-time translations. The imaginary time Wightman functions and the infinite volume vacuum energy density are given as analytic functions of the coupling constant. The Wightman functions have cluster properties also with respect to space translations.

1. Introduction

In recent years the mathematical construction of quantum field theoretical models has made an impressive progress¹. For the polynomial interactions² in two-dimensional space-time all the Haag-Kastler axioms for a quantum field theory of local observables have been verified, as well as most of the Wightman axioms³.

In particular in these polynomial models (and also for certain 2-dimensional boson models with exponential interactions [4]) the existence of a vacuum state has been proven⁴.

This was sufficient for Glimm and Jaffe to build a theory in which the Wightman functions exist and have some of the important physical properties embodied in Wightman's axioms.

The question of the uniqueness of the vacuum has not been tackled yet. The vacuum state is only obtained by a compactness argument as

¹ See e.g. [1] and the references given therein.

² See e.g. [1, 2] and the references given therein.

³ See e.g. [1-3]. See also footnote 5 below.

⁴ This has been proven also for the two-dimensional Yukawa interaction [5].

limit of a subsequence of space cut-off vacua, so that the possibility of different subsequences giving rise to different vacua is not ruled out⁵.

In this paper we would like to remark that for certain non polynomial interactions in n space-time dimensions with ultraviolet cut-off but no space cut-off uniqueness of the vacuum can be proven for small values of the coupling constant. Moreover the corresponding Wightman functions can be constructed and studied. The formal Hamiltonian of the boson models which we study has the form

$$H_0 + \lambda \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1}} e^{i s \, \varphi_{\varepsilon}(\boldsymbol{x})} \, dv(s) \, d\boldsymbol{x} \, ,$$

where φ_{ε} is an ultraviolet cut-off, free, time zero, field and dv(s) is a measure with bounded support on the real line (and $dv(-s) = dv(\overline{s})$, – meaning complex conjugate)⁶.

We first prove that the space cut-off Schwinger functions (imaginary time Wightman functions) have unique limits when the space cut-off is removed, provided the coupling constant λ is sufficiently small. These limit Schwinger functions are given explicitely in terms of Liouville-Neumann series with known kernel as convergent power series in λ . Moreover they have cluster properties with respect to space and time translations. For real λ , with $|\lambda|$ sufficiently small, the Schwinger functions are analytic in the upper half planes of suitable time differences and their boundary values are the infinite volume Wightman functions, which are limits in the sense of distributions of the Wightman functions for the space cut-off interaction. The infinite volume Wightman functions, which satisfy the positive definiteness conditions, yield then the physical Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , with a cyclic vector Ω and a representation of the field operators by symmetric operators on an invariant domain and a strongly continuous unitary representation of the space-time translations.

The generator H of the time translations is non negative and, due to cluster properties of the Wightman functions, has zero as a simple lowest eigenvalue, with eigenvector Ω . Ω is the only state in \mathcal{H} which is invariant under space-time translations. The Wightman functions are also proved to have the cluster property with respect to translations in space. A connection of the vacuum state with the limit, as the space cut-off is

⁵ After completion of this paper we learned in a private communication from Glimm that for the polynomial interactions in two space-time dimensions without cut-offs he and collaborators (Dimock and Spencer) have solved the problem of the uniqueness of the vacuum for small coupling constants. As far as we know this has been done by methods different from the one we use in the present paper.

⁶ These models are related to the bounded interaction models studied in [6]. They are, in a sense, an Hamiltonian version of certain "non polynomial interactions" studied in recent years from other points of view. See e.g. [7].

taken away, of the space cut-off vacuum state on an algebra of operators defined in terms of the time C^* -automorphism is also given.

The limit $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ of the ground state energy densities of the space cut-off Hamiltonians exists, is analytic in λ for $|\lambda|$ small and concave in λ . It also exists for arbitrary negative λ and positive dv and $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ is then negative, decreasing for $|\lambda|$ increasing and concave in $\ln(-\lambda)$.

The idea of the proofs is suggested by the analogy between euclidean field theory and classical statistical mechanics, on one hand ⁸ and, on the other hand, by the relation between Minkowski quantum field theory and euclidean Markov field theory as recently established by Nelson [9]⁹.

2. The Space Cut-off Models

Let \mathscr{F} be the Fock space for free, scalar, uncharged bosons of strictly positive mass m, moving in n dimensional space-time. Thus \mathscr{F} is the direct sum $\mathscr{F} = \bigoplus_{r=0}^{\infty} \mathscr{F}^{(r)}$, where $\mathscr{F}^{(0)} \equiv \mathbb{C}$ = complex number and $\mathscr{F}^{(r)}$, for r = 1, 2, ..., is the r-fold symmetric tensor product $\mathscr{F}^{(r)} = \mathscr{H} \bigotimes_{s} \cdots \bigotimes_{s} \mathscr{H}$, \mathscr{H} being the Lebesgue L^2 -space of (equivalence classes of) functions of a (momentum) variable p running over the euclidean n-1 dimensional space \mathbb{R}^{n-1} .

Let H_0 be the free Hamiltonian in \mathscr{F} . It is a self-adjoint operator with domain $D(H_0) \equiv D_0$.

For x in \mathbb{R}^{n-1} the free time zero fields are given by

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = 2^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2\pi)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1}} \frac{e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}}}{\mu(\mathbf{p})^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left[a^*(-\mathbf{p}) + a(\mathbf{p})\right] d\mathbf{p} , \qquad (2.1)$$

 7 Note that, due to the presence of the ultraviolet cut-off, no Wick ordering of the interaction is required. In fact our interactions

$$\int e^{\iota s \, \varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})} \, dv(s) \, d\mathbf{x}$$

and the correspondent Wick-ordered ones

$$\int :e^{is\varphi_{\iota}(\boldsymbol{x})}:dv_{1}(s)\,d\boldsymbol{x}$$

can be made to coincide by choosing $dv_1(s) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2}s^2K) dv(s)$, where K is a constant (equal to the value for x = 0 of the propagator $G_e(x)$ defined below).

⁸ This analogy has been exploited from a different point of view particularly in the references [8] (and references quoted therein) and [7b, c].

⁹ See also [10], where a euclidean Markov field theoretical relation is exploited to prove the uniqueness of the vacuum energy density and the van Hove phenomenon for two-dimensional polynomial interactions. For further results on this infinite volume behaviour, see [11]. For references concerning work previous to Nelson's one, see [8].

where $\mu(\mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m^2}$. $a(\mathbf{p})$ and $a^*(\mathbf{p})$ are the usual formal annihilationcreation operators for free scalar, uncharged bosons, normalized so that $[a(\mathbf{p}), a^*(\mathbf{p}')] \equiv a(\mathbf{p}) a^*(\mathbf{p}') - a^*(\mathbf{p}') a(\mathbf{p}) = \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}')$.

Let $\chi(\mathbf{x})$ be a positive symmetric C^{∞} function in \mathbb{R}^{n-1} with support in the unit ball such that $\int \chi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = 1$. Set $\chi_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-n+1} \chi(\varepsilon^{-1} \mathbf{x})$, with $\varepsilon > 0$, and define the ultraviolet cut-off free time zero field by

$$\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}) = \int \varphi(\mathbf{y}) \, \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \, d\mathbf{y} \,. \tag{2.2}$$

Then $\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})$ are self-adjoint operators in \mathscr{F} with definition domain containing D_0 and they are essentially self-adjoint on D_0 . They are bounded from $\mathscr{F}^{(r)}$ into $\mathscr{F}^{(r-1)} \oplus \mathscr{F}^{(r+1)}$.

Let now $v(\alpha)$ be a real-valued function on IR, so chosen as to be the Fourier transform of a finite measure dv of bounded support on the real line:

$$v(\alpha) = \int e^{is\alpha} dv(s) \tag{2.3}$$

with $\int d|v| < \infty$ and $v(-s) = \overline{v(s)}$.

The interaction density is given by $\lambda v(\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}))$, which is a well defined bounded self-adjoint operator since $v(\alpha)$ is a bounded continuous function.

We note that

$$v(\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})) = \int e^{is\,\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})} \,dv(s)\,,\tag{2.4}$$

where the integral is taken in the strong sense. This is of the same form as the bounded interaction densities studied in [6].

The space cut-off interaction corresponding to this interaction density is given by

$$\lambda V_l \equiv \lambda \int_{|\mathbf{x}| \le l} v(\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})) \, d\mathbf{x} \,, \tag{2.5}$$

where the integral is again to be understood as a strong one. This defines λV_l as a bounded self-adjoint operator on \mathscr{F} for all *l*.

Hence $H_l \equiv H_0 + \lambda V_l$ is a self-adjoint operator, bounded from below, with the same domain D_0 as H_0 .

Moreover we have from [6c] (Theorem 3) that, for arbitrary λ , the bottom of the spectrum of H_l consists of the simple eigenvalue E_l with (unique) eigenvector Ω_l^{10} .

From regular perturbation theory alone one has the additional result (which we are going to extend, in a certain sense, also for $l \rightarrow \infty$) that for

¹⁰ E_l and Ω_l are obtained in [6c] as the unique (norm) limits of the lowest eigenvalues and respective eigenvectors of suitable approximating Hamiltonians ("piecewise constant momentum approximation").

 $|\lambda|$ sufficiently small (depending on *l*) E_l and Ω_l are analytic in λ . Moreover E_l is a concave function of λ i.e. satisfies $E_l(\alpha \lambda_1 + (1 - \alpha)\lambda_2) \ge \alpha E_l(\lambda_1) + (1 - \alpha) E_l(\lambda_2)$ for all $0 \le \alpha \le 1$, λ_1, λ_2 .

3. The Associated Euclidean Markov Field

For any real Hilbert space \mathscr{H} let $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}}(h)$, $h \in \mathscr{H}$ be the Gaussian generalized stochastic process indexed by \mathscr{H} , with mean zero and covariance $E(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}}(g) \Phi_{\mathscr{H}}(h)) = (g, h)_{\mathscr{H}}^{-11}$. So that $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}}(h)$ maps $h \in \mathscr{H}$ into a measurable function (Gaussian random variable) on a probability space $(\Omega_{\mathscr{H}}, d\mu_{\mathscr{H}})$. Let $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}})$ be the L^2 -space over $\Omega_{\mathscr{H}}$ with respect to the measure $d\mu_{\mathscr{H}}$. $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}})$ is isomorphic [13, 14] with the Fock space $\bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathscr{H}^{(n)}$ over \mathscr{H} , where $\mathscr{H}^{(n)}$ is the *n*-fold symmetric tensorproduct of \mathscr{H} . Using this isomorphism we see that any strongly continuous unitary

Using this isomorphism we see that any strongly continuous unitary group on \mathscr{H} induces, through a group of measure preserving transformations on $\Omega_{\mathscr{H}}$, a strongly continuous unitary group on $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}})$.

Let Δ be the Laplacian as a self-adjoint operator in $L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Let \mathscr{H}_n^{α} be the real Sobolev space, which is the completion of $C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with respect to the inner product in \mathscr{H}_n^{α} given by

$$(f,g)_{\alpha} = (f,(-\varDelta + m^2)^{\alpha}g),$$
 (3.1)

where (,) is the inner product in $L_2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and *m* is chosen to be the mass of the free field discussed in Section 2. For $\alpha < 0$, \mathscr{H}_n^{α} will be a space of distributions.

The generalized Gaussian stochastic process $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(h)$ is called the free euclidean Markov field. Using ideas introduced by Nelson [9] in the constructive study of models, we associate to the free time zero field over \mathbb{R}^{n-1} , $\varphi(g) = \int \varphi(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$ of Section 2, the euclidean Markov field $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(h)$.

For any open set U with smooth boundary in \mathbb{R}^n let $\mathcal{O}(U)$ be the family of random variables generated by $\Phi(h)$, with $h \in \mathscr{H}_n^{-1}$ and support of h in U. Let $E{\Phi(h)|\mathcal{O}(U)}$ be the conditional expectation of $\Phi(h)$ given $\mathcal{O}(U)$. Nelson proved that $\Phi(h)$ has the following "Markovian property":

$$E\{\Phi(h)|\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} U)\} = E\{\Phi(h)|\mathcal{O}(\partial U)\}$$
(3.2)

where C U is the complement of U and ∂U is the boundary. The property (3.2) is taken as the characterizing property of a Markov field.

The Fock space of the free boson field as given in Section 2 is just the Fock space over $\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, moreover the free time zero field itself $\varphi(g)$

¹¹ See e.g. [12].

is a generalized Gaussian stochastic process with mean zero and covariance function

$$E(\varphi(f)\,\varphi(g)) = (f,g)_{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(3.3)

Hence the free time zero field $\varphi(g)$ may be identified with the generalized Gaussian stochastic process $\Phi_{\mathscr{M}^{\pm\frac{1}{2}}}(g)$.

We define now a mapping $W_t: \mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \to \mathscr{H}_n^{-1}$ by $(W_t f)(x) = \delta(x_0 - t) f(\mathbf{x})$. One verifies easily that W_t is an isometry of $\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ onto the closed subspace of \mathscr{H}_n^{-1} generated by elements of \mathscr{H}_n^{-1} with support on the hyperplane $x_0 = t$.

The Fock space of the free boson field, \mathscr{F} , is the Fock space over $\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, hence identified with $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$. Since W_0 is an isometry, we have that the generalized Gaussian stochastic processes $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}(g)$ and $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(W_0g)$ have the same mean and covariance functions, hence may be identified. This then identifies $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ with a closed subspace of $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}})$.

Let $F \in L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ be of the form $F = f(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}(g_1), \dots, \Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}(g_k))$, where f is a bounded continuous function of k real variables. Then we define $F_t \in L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}})$ by $F_t = f(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(W_tg_1), \dots, \Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(W_tg_k))$. Using that W_t is an isometry one gets that $F \to F_t$ extends to an isometry of $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ into $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}})$. Moreover in \mathscr{H}_n^{-1} the translation group acts unitarily and strongly continuously. Using the identification of $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}})$ with the Fock space over \mathscr{H}_n^{-1} we get a unitary and strongly continuous representation U(x) of the translation group in \mathbb{R}^n on $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}})$. Since $F_t = U(t, \mathbf{0}) F_0 U(-t, \mathbf{0})$, we see that F_t depends continuously on t in the L_2 -norm for any F in $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$.

One verifies that

$$E(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}}(h_{1})\dots\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}}(h_{r})) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\text{all partitions}} (h_{n_{1}}, h_{n_{2}})_{-1} \dots (h_{n_{r-1}}, h_{n_{r}})_{-1} \\ n_{1} < n_{2}, \dots, n_{r-1} < n_{r} \\ 0 \quad \text{for } r \text{ odd }, \end{cases}$$
(3.4)

from which it follows that the distributions of *r*-variables defined by $E(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(h_1) \dots \Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(h_r))$ are the imaginary time free field Wightman functions. Hence, for $t_1 \leq t_2 \dots \leq t_r$,

$$E(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}}(W_{t_{1}}g_{1})\dots\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}}(W_{t_{r}}g_{r})) = (\Omega_{0},\varphi(g_{1})e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})H_{0}}\varphi(g_{2})e^{-(t_{3}-t_{2})H_{0}}\dots\varphi(g_{r})\Omega_{0}),$$
(3.5)

where $\Omega_0 \in \mathscr{F}$ is the vacuum for the free scalar boson field and H_0 is the free energy. Using now the identification of \mathscr{F} with $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ and taking

sums and limits of expressions of the form (3.5) we get the following lemma.

Lemma 3.1. Let
$$F^{(1)}, \ldots, F^{(r)}$$
 be in $L_{\infty}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$.
Then, for $t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_r$,
 $E(F_{t_1}^{(1)} \ldots F_{t_r}^{(r)}) = (\Omega_0, F^{(1)}e^{-(t_2-t_1)H_0}F^{(2)}e^{-(t_3-t_2)H_0} \ldots F^{(r)}\Omega_0)$.

We will now consider self-adjoint operators of the form $H = H_0 + V$, where H_0 is the free energy and V is a bounded operator on \mathscr{F} which commutes with all the free time zero fields $\varphi(g)$. Since the $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{\pm}1})$ is a spectral representation of \mathscr{F} with respect to the maximal abelian algebra generated by $\varphi(g)$, we see that, in $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{\pm}1})$, V is a multiplication operator by a function, which we will also denote V.

Lemma 3.2. Let V be as above, and let F and G be in $L_2(d\mu_{\mathcal{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$, then

$$E\left(F_0 e^{-\int\limits_0^t V_{\tau} d\tau} G_t\right) = (\Omega_0, F e^{-t(H_0 + V)} G \Omega_0),$$

where the integral over V_{τ} is taken in the strong $L_2(d\mu_{\mathcal{H}_{n-1}})$ sense.

Proof. The Trotter product formula gives us

$$e^{-t(H_0+V)} = \operatorname{s-lim}_{n \to \infty} (e^{-t/nH_0} e^{-t/nV})^n$$
.

Now, by Lemma 3.1,

$$(\Omega_0, F e^{-t/nH_0} e^{-t/nV} \dots e^{-t/nH_0} e^{-t/nV} G \Omega_0) = E \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t/n\sum_{k=1}^n V_{kt/n}} \\ F_0 e^{-t/n\sum_{k=1}^n V_{kt/n}} \\ G_t \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (3.6)

Since V is in $L_{\infty}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ we know that V_{t} is in $L_{\infty}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}})$ and is continuous in t in the strong L_{2} -sense. Hence $t/n \sum_{k=1}^{n} V_{kt/n}$ converges strongly in $L_{2}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}})$ to $\int_{0}^{t} V_{\tau} d\tau$ for $n \to \infty$.

The strong L_2 -convergence allows us to conclude that any subsequence has a subsequence n_j such that the convergence is almost everywhere. The almost everywhere convergence together with the uniform boundedness gives that

$$E\left(F_0e^{-t/n_j\sum\limits_{k=1}^{n_j}V_{kt/n_j}}G_t\right)\xrightarrow{j\to\infty}E\left(F_0e^{-\int\limits_0^tV_{\tau}d\tau}G_t\right)$$

This implies that the right hand side of (3.6) converges to $E\left(F_0 e^{-\int_0^t V_{\tau} d\tau} G_t\right)$, which proves the lemma. \Box

The interaction of Section 2,

$$\lambda V_l = \lambda \int_{|\mathbf{x}| \leq l} v(\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})) \, d\mathbf{x} \,, \tag{3.7}$$

is of the form considered in Lemma 3.2. Moreover the function V_{τ} in $L_{\infty}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}})$ of Lemma 3.2 may be given explicitly in this case:

$$V_{\tau} = \lambda \int_{|\mathbf{x}| \leq l} v(\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_{n}^{-1}}(f_{\tau,\mathbf{x}})) d\mathbf{x} , \qquad (3.8)$$

where $f_{\tau,\mathbf{x}}(y) = \delta(\tau - y_0) \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$. This follows from the identification of $\varphi(g)$ with $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}(g)$ and the definition of the mapping $F \to F_t$ from $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ into $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}})$. Since

$$v(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(f_{\tau,\mathbf{x}})) = U(-\tau, -\mathbf{x}) v(f_{0,\mathbf{0}}) U(\tau,\mathbf{x}),$$

we see that the integrand in (3.8) is continuous in x as well as in τ in the strong L_2 -sense. Hence in this case Lemma 3.2 takes the form

Lemma 3.3. Let $v(\alpha)$ be as in Section 2. Then

$$(\Omega_0, F e^{-t(H_0 + \lambda V_l)} G \Omega_0) = E \left(F_0 e^{-\lambda \int_0^t \int_{|x| \le t} v(\Phi_{\mathscr{K}^{-1}_n}(f_{t,x})) dx d\tau} G_t \right),$$

where F and G are in $L_2(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-1}})$, and $f_{\tau,\mathbf{x}}(y) = \delta(\tau - y_0) \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$.

From (3.4) it follows that $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(h)$ for $h \in \mathscr{H}_n^{-1}$ is in all L_p for $1 \leq p < \infty$. For V in $L_{\infty}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ we may therefore consider $E\left(\Phi(h_1)\dots\Phi(h_n)e^{-\frac{b}{a}V_{\tau}d\tau}\right)$,

For V in $L_{\infty}(d\mu_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}})$ we may therefore consider $E \setminus \Phi(h_1) \dots \Phi(h_n) e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, where we have written $\Phi(h)$ for $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(h)$. Take h_1, \dots, h_n in $C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and set $g_i^t(\mathbf{x}) = h_i(t, \mathbf{x})$.

Then $h_i(x_0, \mathbf{x}) = \int \delta(x_0 - t) g_i^t(\mathbf{x}) dt$ and the integrand $\delta(x_0 - t) g_i^t(\mathbf{x})$ is strongly continuous in \mathcal{H}_n^{-1} . Therefore if the support of h_i is bounded by the hyperplanes $x_0 = a$ and $x_0 = b$, then

$$E\left(\Phi(h_{1})\dots\Phi(h_{n})e^{-\int_{a}^{b}V_{\tau}d\tau}\right)$$

$$=n!\int_{a\leq t_{1}\leq\cdots\leq t_{n}\leq b}E\left(\Phi(W_{t_{1}}g_{1}^{t_{1}})\dots\Phi(W_{t_{n}}g_{n}^{t_{n}})e^{-\int_{a}^{b}V_{\tau}d\tau}\right)dt_{1}\dots dt_{n},$$
(3.9)

which by formula (3.5) and Lemma 3.2 is equal to

$$n! \int_{a \leq t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_n \leq b} \int (\Omega_0, e^{-(t_1 - a)H} \varphi(g_1^{t_1}) e^{-(t_2 - t_1)H} \varphi(g_2^{t_2}) \dots$$

$$\dots \varphi(g_n^{t_n}) e^{-(b - t_n)H} \Omega_0) dt_1 \dots dt_n,$$
(3.10)

with $H = H_0 + V$.

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Let E be the infimum of the spectrum of H, and set $\overline{H} = H - E$. Since V is bounded we have

$$\|\varphi(g_{i}^{t_{1}})e^{-(t_{1+1}-t_{1})\overline{H}}\| \leq C \|(\overline{H}+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}e^{-(t_{1+1}-t_{1})\overline{H}}\|, \qquad (3.11)$$

with C independent of t_i and i. On the other hand for any positive selfadjoint operator A we have

$$\left\| (A+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-tA} \right\| \leq \sup_{x>0} (x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-tx} = (2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{t-\frac{1}{2}}.$$
 (3.12)

Using (3.11), (3.12) and the fact that $\varphi(g_i^t)$ is zero for t outside a bounded interval, we get that

$$(\Omega_0, e^{-(t_1-a)\overline{H}}\varphi(g_1^{t_1})e^{-(t_2-t_1)\overline{H}}\dots\varphi(g_n^{t_n})e^{-(b-t_n)\overline{H}}\Omega_0)$$
(3.13)

is bounded in absolute value uniformly in *a* and *b* by an integrable function over $t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_n$.

Let us assume that *H* has a simple eigenvalue at *E* and let Ω be the corresponding eigenvector. Then $e^{-(t_1-a)\overline{H}}\Omega_0$ as well as $e^{-(b-t_n)\overline{H}}\Omega_0$ converge to $(\Omega, \Omega_0)\Omega$ as $a \to -\infty$ and $b \to +\infty$. By (3.11) $\varphi(g_i^{t_1})e^{-(t_1+1-t_1)\overline{H}}$ is a bounded operator for $t_1 < t_2 < \cdots < t_n$. Hence (3.13) converges to

$$|(\Omega, \Omega_0)|^2 \left(\Omega, \varphi(g_1^{t_1}) e^{-(t_2 - t_1)\overline{H}} \dots e^{-(t_n - t_{n-1})\overline{H}} \varphi(g_n^{t_n})\Omega\right)$$
(3.14)

as $a \to -\infty$ and $b \to +\infty$ for $t_1 < t_2 < \cdots < t_n$.

From Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem we then get that

$$(\Omega_0, e^{-(b-a)H}\Omega_0)^{-1} \\ \cdot \int_{a \leq t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_n \leq b} (\Omega_0, e^{-(t_1-a)H}\varphi(g_1^{t_1}) \dots \varphi(g_n^{t_n}) e^{-(b-t_n)H}\Omega_0) dt_1 \dots dt_n$$

converges to

$$\int \cdots \int (\Omega, \varphi(g_1^{t_1}) e^{-(t_2 - t_1)\overline{H}} \dots e^{-(t_n - t_{n-1})\overline{H}} \varphi(g_n^{t_n}) \Omega) dt_1 \dots dt_n$$

as $a \to -\infty$ and $b \to +\infty$. This proves the following Lemma.

Lemma 3.4. Let $h_1, \ldots, h_n \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then

$$\lim_{t \to +\infty} \left(E\left(e^{-\int_{-t}^{t} V_{\tau} d\tau}\right) \right)^{-1} \cdot E\left(\varphi(h_{1}) \dots \varphi(h_{n}) e^{-\int_{-t}^{t} V_{\tau} d\tau}\right)$$
$$= n! \int_{t_{1} \leq \dots \leq t_{n}} (\Omega, \varphi(g_{1}^{t_{1}}) e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})\overline{H}} \dots e^{-(t_{n}-t_{n-1})\overline{H}} \varphi(g_{n}^{t_{n}})\Omega) dt_{1} \dots dt_{n}. \square$$

Remark 1. For $V = \lambda V_l$, the interaction of Section 2, this lemma holds since we know that $H_l = H_0 + \lambda V_l$ has a simple lowest eigenvalue.

Remark 2. Lemma (3.4) shows that the limit is the time imaginary Wightman function for the space cut-off interaction integrated with $h_1(x_1) \dots h_n(x_n)$.

4. Connection with Some Quantities of Classical Statistical Mechanics

Let us denote the random variable $\Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}(f_{x_0,\mathbf{x}})$ by $\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_0,\mathbf{x}) \equiv \Phi_{\varepsilon}(x)$, where $f_{x_0,\mathbf{x}}(y) = \delta(x_0 - y_0) \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$, and define for any bounded measurable $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and for any h_1, \ldots, h_k in $C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$Z_{A} \equiv E\left(e^{-\lambda \int v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x)) dx}\right),$$

$$F_{A}^{k}(h_{1}, \dots, h_{k}) \equiv E\left(\Phi(h_{1}) \dots \Phi(h_{k})e^{-\lambda \int v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x)) dx}\right),$$

$$G_{A}^{k}(h_{1}, \dots, h_{k}) = Z_{A}^{-1} F_{A}^{k}(h_{1}, \dots, h_{k}).$$

and

From Lemma 3.4 we see that if we take $\Lambda = \Lambda_{t,l} \equiv \{x; |x_0| \le t/2, |x| \le l\}$, then the $G_{A_{t,l}}^k(h_1, \dots, h_k)$ converge for $t \to \infty$ to the imaginary time Wightman functions for the space cut-off interaction. In order to remove the space cut-off we will therefore naturally be interested in taking the limit as $l \to \infty$ as well as $t \to \infty$ in $G_{A_{t,l}}^k$. We intend, by using methods from classical statistical mechanics, to prove that the limit of G_A^k exists for Λ expanding to \mathbb{R}^n . This will then give us the time imaginary Wightman functions for the model without cut-off.

So let Λ be bounded. Since $v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x))$ is a bounded random variable and strongly L_2 -continuous in x, Z_{Λ} and F_{Λ} are entire functions of λ . Let us set

$$F_{\Lambda}(h) = E\left(e^{i\Phi(h)}e^{-\lambda \int V(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x)) dx}\right) \text{ and } G_{\Lambda}(h) = Z_{\Lambda}^{-1}F_{\Lambda}(h).$$

Since $v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x))$ is a bounded random variable we see from the definition of $F_A(h)$ that $F_A\left(\sum_{i=1}^k t_i h_i\right)$ is k times differentiable with respect to t_1, \ldots, t_k and that $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \ldots \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} F_A\left(\sum_{i=1}^k t_i h_i\right) = (i)^k F_A^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ for $t_1 = t_2 \cdots = t_k = 0$. Hence $F_A(h)$ determines $F_A^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$.

Since $v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x))$ is a bounded random variable, $F_A(h)$ is also an entire function of λ . By expanding in powers of λ we get

$$F_A(h) = E(e^{i\Phi(h)}) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^n}{n!} \int_{A^n} \cdots \int E(e^{i\Phi(h)}v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_1))\dots v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_n))) \prod_{j=1}^n dx_j.$$

Using now that $v(\alpha) = \int e^{is\alpha} dv(s)$ we get

$$\int \cdots_{A^n} \int E(e^{i\boldsymbol{\Phi}(h)} v(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\varepsilon}(x_1)) \dots v(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\varepsilon}(x_n))) \prod_{j=1}^n dx_j$$

= $\int \cdots_{A^n} \int E\left(e^{i\left(\boldsymbol{\Phi}(h) + \sum\limits_{j=1}^n s_j \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\varepsilon}(x_j)\right)}\right) \prod_{j=1}^n dv(s_j) dx_j$
= $\int \cdots_{A^n} \int E\left(e^{i\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(h + \sum\limits_{j=1}^n s_j f_{x_j}\right)}\right) \prod_{j=1}^n dv(s_j) dx_j,$

where $f_x(y) = \delta(x_0 - y_0) \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$ by the definition of $\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x)$. On the other hand, for any $g \in \mathcal{H}_n^{-1}$

$$E(e^{i\Phi(g)}) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(g,g)-1}$$

and setting

$$g = h + \sum_{j=1}^{n} s_j f_{x_j}$$

we get

$$E\left(e^{i\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(h+\sum\limits_{j=1}^{n}s_{j}f_{x_{j}}\right)}\right) = E(e^{i\boldsymbol{\Phi}(h)})e^{-\frac{1}{2}\sum\limits_{i,j=1}^{n}s_{i}s_{j}G_{\iota}(x_{i}-x_{j})-\sum\limits_{j=1}^{n}s_{j}h^{\varepsilon}(x_{j})}$$

where $G_{\varepsilon}(x - y) = (f_x, f_y)_{-1}$ and $h^{\varepsilon}(x) = (h, f_x)_{-1}$. Hence the integral over A^n above is

$$E(e^{i\Phi(h)}) \int \cdots \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i, j=1}^{n} s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j)} \prod_{j=1}^{n} \left[(e^{-s_j h^{\varepsilon}(x_j)} - 1) + 1 \right] \prod_{j=1}^{n} dv(s_j) dx_j.$$

Computing now the product and using that $\sum_{i,j}^{n} s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j)$ is symmetric under permutations of $x_1 s_1, \dots, x_n s_n$, we get this equal to

$$E(e^{i\Phi(h)}) \sum_{r=0}^{n} {n \choose r} \cdot \int \cdots \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} s_{i} s_{j} G_{e}(x_{i}-x_{j})} \prod_{j=1}^{r} (e^{-s_{j}h^{e}(x_{j})}-1) \prod_{j=1}^{n} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j}.$$

From this it follows that

$$F_{A}(h) = E(e^{i\Phi(h)}) \left[Z_{A} + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^{n+r}}{n!} \int_{A^{n+r}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i, j=1}^{\infty} s_{i} s_{j} G_{\varepsilon}(x_{i} - x_{j})} \right] \\ \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{r} (e^{-s_{j}h^{\varepsilon}(x_{j})} - 1) \prod_{j=1}^{n+r} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j},$$
(4.1)

n + r

where we already have used that the expansion for Z_A is given by

$$Z_{A} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^{n}}{n!} \int_{\mathcal{A}^{n}} \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} s_{i} s_{j} G_{\varepsilon}(x_{i} - x_{j})} \prod_{j=1}^{n} d\nu(s_{j}) dx_{j}.$$
(4.2)

We remark that $G_{\varepsilon}(x)$ is a bounded real positive definite function, which tends to zero as $\frac{1}{|x|}e^{-m|x|}$ for $|x| \to \infty$. Since $G_{\varepsilon}(x)$ is positive definite, we have that $|G_{\varepsilon}(x)| \leq G_{\varepsilon}(0)$. We notice that, for negative λ , Z_A is in fact the grand canonical partition function for a gas in *n*-dimensional space with variably charged particles and activity $z = -\lambda$. The interaction energy between a particle at x_i with charge s_i and a particle at x_j with charge s_j is $s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j)$, and the self energy of a particle with charge s is given by $\frac{1}{2} s^2 G_{\varepsilon}(0)$. So the charge s is an internal degree of freedom for these particles, and s may be discrete or continuous, depending on dv. We are going to exploit this connection with the grand canonical ensemble of a gas of variably charged particles, by introducing the corresponding correlation functions and we shall see that $G_A(h)$ can be expressed explicitly by these correlation functions 12 . The correlation functions $g_A^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$ are defined for $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and s_i in the support of dv by

$$\varrho_{A}^{k}(x_{1} s_{1}, ..., x_{k} s_{k}) = Z_{A}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^{n+k}}{n!} \int_{\mathcal{A}^{n}} \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n+k} s_{i} s_{j} G_{e}(x_{i}-x_{j})} \prod_{j=k+1}^{n+k} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j},$$
(4.3)

for all $x_i \in A$ and zero elsewhere, for those values of λ for which $Z_A \neq 0$. Since $\sum_{i,j} s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j) \ge 0$ we see that the series converge for all complex λ . From (4.1) it follows that $G_A(h)$ is given in terms of ϱ_A^k by

$$G_{A}(h) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(h,h)-1}$$

$$\left[1 + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!} \int_{A^{r}} \int_{a^{r}} \int_{j=1}^{r} (e^{-s_{j}h^{\varepsilon}(x_{j})} - 1) \varrho_{A}^{r}(x_{1}s_{1},...,x_{r}s_{r}) \prod_{j=1}^{r} d\nu(s_{j}) dx_{j}\right].$$

$$(4.4)$$

As in classical statistical mechanics ¹³ we shall now introduce the Banach spaces B_{ξ} of sequences $\psi = \{\psi_k((xs)_k)\}_{k \ge 1} = \{\psi_k(x_1s_1, \dots, x_ks_k)\}_{k \ge 1}$ of bounded dx dv-measurable functions. The norm in B_{ξ} is given by

$$\|\psi\|_{\xi} = \sup_{n} \xi^{-n} \exp_{\substack{x_{1}...x_{n} \\ s_{1}...s_{n}}} |\psi_{n}(x_{1}s_{1},...,x_{n}s_{n})|,$$

where ξ is a positive number.

In B_{ξ} we define the projection operator P_A of norm one given by

$$(P_A \psi) (xs)_n = \chi_A(x)_n \psi(xs)_n, \qquad (4.5)$$

¹² The correlation functions of similar "euclidean gases of charged particles" associated with field theoretical models have been introduced, in another context, in Ref. [7b] and [7c].

¹³ These spaces have been introduced in classical statistical mechanics by Ruelle in order to study the infinite volume limit of the correlation functions in the grand canonical ensemble. Here and in the rest of this section we shall follow closely the lines of classical statistical mechanics as given in Ruelle's book, Ref. [15], Chapter 4. This reference contains also bibliographical notes on previous work on the infinite volume limit of correlation functions.

where $\chi_A(x)_n = \chi_A(x_1) \dots \chi_A(x_n)$, with $\chi_A(x)$ equal to the characteristic function for the set Λ . Also in analogy with statistical mechanics we introduce an operator K on B_{ξ} given by

$$(K\psi)(xs)_{m} = e^{-\sum_{i=2}^{\infty} s_{1}s_{i}G_{\varepsilon}(x_{i}-x_{1})} e^{-\frac{1}{2}s_{1}^{2}G_{\varepsilon}(0)} \left\{ \psi_{m-1}(x_{2}s_{2},...,x_{m}s_{m}) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int \cdots \int \prod_{j=1}^{n} \left[(e^{-s_{1}t_{j}G_{\varepsilon}(y_{j}-x_{1})} - 1) \right] \psi_{m+n-1}$$

$$\cdot (x_{2}s_{2},...,x_{m}s_{m},y_{1}t_{1}...y_{n}t_{n}) \prod_{j=1}^{n} dv(t_{j}) dy_{j} \right\}.$$

$$(4.6)$$

For m = 1 the first term in the curly bracket is set equal to zero.

Let $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ be the sequence $\alpha_1(x_1s_1) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}s_1^2G_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(0)}$ and $\alpha_n(x_1s_1, \dots, x_ns_n) = 0$ for n > 1. We then verify that the sequence $\boldsymbol{\varrho}_A$ given by the correlation functions $\boldsymbol{\varrho}_A^n(x_1 \dots x_n)$ satisfies the equation

$$\varrho_A = -\lambda P_A \alpha - \lambda P_A K \varrho_A \,. \tag{4.7}$$

Since the correlation functions $\varrho_A^n(x_1s_1, ..., x_ns_n)$ are symmetric, we find from (4.7) that ϱ_A will also satisfy the equation

$$\boldsymbol{\varrho}_{A} = -\lambda P_{A} \boldsymbol{\alpha} - \lambda P_{A} \Pi K \boldsymbol{\varrho}_{A} \,, \tag{4.8}$$

where Π is an operator of the form

$$(\Pi \psi)_n (x_1 s_1, \dots, x_n s_n) = \psi_n (x_{\sigma(1)} s_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)} s_{\sigma(1)}), \qquad (4.9)$$

 σ being, for each *n*, a permutation of 1, ..., *n* which may depend measurably on x_1, \ldots, x_n and s_1, \ldots, s_n .

We note that such a Π will have norm equal to one.

Since $G_{\varepsilon}(x)$ is positive definite ¹⁴ we have that

$$\sum_{i \neq j}^m s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j) \ge -2 G_{\varepsilon}(0) \sum_{i=1}^m s_i^2 .$$

Let $B = G_{\varepsilon}(0) \sup \{s^2; s \in supp \text{ of } dv\}$; then

$$\sum_{i \neq j}^{m} s_i s_j G_{\epsilon}(x_i - x_j) \ge -2mB.$$
(4.10)

It follows from (4.10) that for any $x_1, ..., x_m$ and $s_1, ..., s_m$ there exists an index *i* such that

$$\sum_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{m} s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j) \ge -2B.$$

$$(4.11)$$

¹⁴ Using the analogy with classical statistical mechanics this can be interpreted as the fact that the total interaction of our gas in \mathbb{R}^n satisfies the "stability condition" of [15].

For any *m* and any $x_1, ..., x_m$ and $s_1, ..., s_m$ we now choose a permutation σ of 1, ..., *m* such that $\sigma(1) = i$, where *i* is the index *i* of (4.11). σ is then a permutation depending on the *x*'s and the *s*'s, and let Π be the corresponding operator on B_{ε} defined by (4.9).

We now estimate the operator norm on B_{ξ} of the operator ΠK of (4.8). From (4.6) and (4.11) we have

$$|\Pi K \psi(xs)_m| \leq e^{2B} \left[\sup_{x,s} |\psi_{m-1}(x_1s_1, \dots, x_{m-1}s_{m-1})| \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} C^n \sup_{x,s} |\psi_{m+n-1}(x_1s_1, \dots, x_{m+n-1}, s_{m+n-1})|$$

with

$$C = \sup_{s} \left\{ \int |e^{-st G_{\varepsilon}(x)} - 1| e^{-\frac{1}{2}s^2 G_{\varepsilon}(0)} d|v|(t) dx; s \in supp dv \right\}.$$

It follows from the exponential decrease of $G_{\varepsilon}(x)$ that C is finite¹⁵.

Using now that $\sup_{x,s} |\psi_k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)| \leq \xi^k ||\psi||_{\xi}$, we get

$$|(\Pi K \psi)_m (xs)_m| \leq e^{2B} \xi^{m-1} e^{\xi C}$$

Hence

$$\|\Pi K \psi\|_{\xi} \leq \xi^{-1} e^{2B + \xi C} \|\psi\|_{\xi},$$
 (4.12)

so that $||\Pi K|| \leq C e^{2B+1}$, if we choose $\xi = C^{-1}$, which is seen to be the best choice of ξ . This proves that (4.8) has a unique solution for $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$, which then is ϱ_A . From this we also get that the correlation functions $\varrho_A^k(x_1s_1, ..., x_ks_k)$ are analytic in λ uniformly in Λ for $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$. Moreover we may define $\varrho^k(x_1s_1, ..., x_ks_k)$ by

$$\boldsymbol{\varrho} = -\lambda \boldsymbol{\alpha} - \lambda \boldsymbol{\Pi} \boldsymbol{K} \boldsymbol{\varrho} \tag{4.13}$$

for $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$.

Lemma 4.1. For $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ the infinite volume correlation functions $\varrho^k(x_1s_1, ..., x_ks_k)$ defined as the unique solution of (4.13) exist and are analytic in λ^{16} . Moreover they satisfy

$$|\varrho^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)| \leq C^{-k} \frac{|\lambda|}{1 - |\lambda| C e^{2B+1}},$$

are continuous in x_1, \ldots, x_k and $s_1 \ldots s_k$, and translation invariant in the x's. The finite volume correlation functions $\varrho_A^k(x_1s_1, \ldots, x_ks_k)$ converge to $\varrho^k(x_1s_1, \ldots, x_ks_k)$ as $\Lambda \to \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $d(x, \mathbb{C}\Lambda) \to \infty$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and

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¹⁵ This can be interpreted as the fact that the interaction of our gas in \mathbb{R}^n satisfies the "regularity condition" of [15].

¹⁶ Their expansions in powers of λ are given as Liouville-Neumann series with known kernel: see Remark at the end of the Section 4.

 $d(x, C\Lambda)$ is the distance from x to the complement of Λ . The convergence is such that

$$|\varrho_A^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k) - \varrho^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)| \le C^{-k} \eta(d)$$

where η is a function that goes to zero at infinity and is independent of Λ , k and $x_1 \dots x_k$, $s_1 \dots s_k$, and $d = \min \{d(x_i, C\Lambda)\}$.

Lemma 4.2. For $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ we have the cluster property for the correlation functions:

$$\varrho^{k+l}(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_k s_k, y_1 + a, t_1, \dots, y_l + a, t_l)$$

$$\to \varrho^k(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_k s_k) \, \varrho^l(y_1 t_1, \dots, y_l t_l) \,,$$

pointwise as a tends to infinity in \mathbb{R}^n .

These two Lemmas are proved as in classical statistical mechanics [15] by using that $s_i s_j G_{\varepsilon}(x_i - x_j)$ corresponds to a stable and regular interaction in the language of classical statistical mechanics. The proofs require only a slight modification of the proofs given in Ref. [15], Chapter 4, and will therefore not be given here.

Lemma 4.3. For $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ the limit

$$\tilde{\varepsilon} = -\lim_{A \to \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{|A|} \ln Z_A$$

exists when $\Lambda \to \mathbb{R}^n$ in the sense that $d(x, \mathbb{C}\Lambda)$ tends to infinity for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Moreover $\tilde{\varepsilon}(\lambda)$ is analytic¹⁷ in λ for $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ and

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(\lambda) = -\int_{0}^{\lambda} \frac{1}{\lambda} \varrho^{1}(xs; \tilde{\lambda}) d\tilde{\lambda} d\nu(s),$$

where $\varrho^1(xs, \lambda)$ is the correlation function with one argument. For $\lambda < 0$ and dv a positive measure we have that ϱ^1 is positive which gives us that \tilde{e} is negative. Moreover in this case \tilde{e} exists also for all $\lambda < 0$, decreases when $|\lambda|$ increases and is also concave in $\ln(-\lambda)$.

(which is possible since
$$\lim_{\lambda \to 0} \frac{\varrho^{1}}{\lambda} \neq 0$$
).

¹⁷ For all $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ (and all dv) the expansions of ϱ^1 and $(-\tilde{\varepsilon})$ in powers of λ are the Mayer series $\Sigma(nb_n)(-\lambda)^n$ resp. $\Sigma b_n(-\lambda)^n$ for the "density" respectively "pressure" of our "gas" in \mathbb{R}^n . Hence information on the expansion coefficients is readily available (see e.g. [15], p. 84–86).

Note that the well known virial expansion (of the pressure in powers of the density) corresponds in our case to an expansion of $-\tilde{\epsilon}$ in powers of ϱ^1 , expansion which can be obtained by inverting the expansion of ϱ^1 in powers of λ in a neighborhood of $\lambda = 0$

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Proof. From the expansion of Z_A (4.2) and the expansion of ϱ_A^1 (4.3) we find that

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \ln Z_A = \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_A \varrho_A^1(xs; \lambda) \, dv(s) \, dx \, .$$

From Lemma 4.1 we have that $\frac{1}{\lambda} \varrho_A^1(xs, \lambda)$ is uniformly bounded and analytic in λ for $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1} - \delta$, for any $\delta > 0$. Moreover $|\varrho_A^1(x, s; \lambda) - \varrho^1(x, s; \lambda)| \leq C^{-1} \eta(d)$, and hence it follows that

$$\frac{1}{|\Lambda|} \int_{\Lambda} d\nu(s) \, dx \int_{0}^{\lambda} \frac{1}{\lambda} \varrho_{\Lambda}^{1}(x,s;\tilde{\lambda}) \, d\tilde{\lambda}$$

converges uniformly for $|\hat{\lambda}| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1} - \delta$ to

$$\int_{0}^{\lambda} \frac{1}{\lambda} \varrho^{1}(x,s;\tilde{\lambda}) dv(s) d\tilde{\lambda},$$

since $\varrho^1(x, s; \hat{\lambda})$ is independent of x. This proves that $\frac{1}{|A|} \ln Z_A$ converges

as $\Lambda \to \mathbb{R}^n$ and that the limit- $\tilde{\epsilon}$ is given by the formula of the Lemma. That ϱ^1 is positive for $dv \ge 0$ and $\lambda \le 0$ follows from the fact that $\varrho^1_\Lambda \ge 0$, which one sees from (4.3). The existence of $\tilde{\epsilon}$ for all $\lambda < 0$ in this case follows from the identification, possible in this case, of Z_A with a grand canonical partition function for a system with stable and tempered interactions (see [15], p. 157).

The decrease of $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ as $|\lambda|$ increases follows from the increase of Z_A .

Remark. All the series expansions for the $\rho^r(x_1 s_1, ..., x_r s_r)$ and therefore also for $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ in powers of λ can be explicitly obtained from (4.13) and are given by

$$\boldsymbol{\varrho} = -\lambda (1 + \lambda \Pi K)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\alpha} = -\lambda \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\lambda)^n (\Pi K)^n \boldsymbol{\alpha} .$$
 (4.14)

5. Removal of the Space Cut-off for the Imaginary Time Wightman Functions and the Vacuum Energy Density

Let $A_{t,l} = [-t/2, t/2] \times \{\mathbf{x} \mid |\mathbf{x}| \leq l\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and set $Z_{t,l} = Z_{A_{t,l}}$ and $F_{t,l} = F_{A_{t,l}}$ and $G_{t,l} = G_{A_{t,l}}$. It then follows from Lemma 3.3 that

$$Z_{t,l} = (\Omega_0, e^{-tH_l}\Omega_0), \qquad (5.1)$$

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with $H_l = H_0 + \lambda \int_{|\mathbf{x}| \leq l} v(\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x}$. From (3.8) and (3.9) we have, for

 h_1, \ldots, h_k with support in $\Lambda_{t,l}$, that

$$F_{t,l}^{k}(h_{1},...,h_{k}) = k! \int_{t_{1} \leq \cdots \leq t_{k}} (\Omega_{0}, e^{-(t_{1}+t/2)H_{l}}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{1})e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})H_{l}}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{2})...\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{k})e^{-(t/2-t_{k})H_{l}}\Omega_{0}) + h_{1}(t_{1},\mathbf{x}_{1})...h_{k}(t_{k},\mathbf{x}_{k})\prod_{j=1}^{k} dt_{j} d\mathbf{x}_{j},$$
(5.2)

and

$$G_{t,l}^{k} = Z_{t,l}^{-1} F_{t,l}^{k} .$$
(5.3)

By Lemma 3.4 the limit as $t \to +\infty$ of $G_{t,l}^k$ exists and is given by

$$G_{l}^{k}(h_{1},...,h_{k}) = k ! \int_{t_{1} \leq \cdots \leq t_{k}} (\Omega_{l}, \varphi(\mathbf{x}_{1})e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})\overline{H}_{l}} \dots e^{-(t_{k}-t_{k-1})\overline{H}_{l}}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{k})\Omega_{l})$$

$$\cdot h_{1}(t_{1},\mathbf{x}_{1}) \dots h_{k}(t_{k},\mathbf{x}_{k}) \prod_{j=1}^{k} dt_{j} d\mathbf{x}_{j},$$

$$(5.4)$$

where Ω_l is the unique normalized eigenvector with eigenvalue E_l and E_l is the infimum of the spectrum of H_l , and $\overline{H}_l = H_l - E_l$. The integration over $d\mathbf{x}_j$ in (5.2) and (5.4) is to be understood in the sense of distributions. After integrating with respect to $\prod_{j=1}^{k} d\mathbf{x}_j$ in (5.2) and (5.4), the result is a function of t_1, \ldots, t_k that is translation invariant, continuous in $t_1 < \cdots < t_k$ and integrable over $t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_k$. This follows from the proof of Lemma 3.4. We see from (5.4) that $G_l^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ are the imaginary time Wightman functions (also called Schwinger functions) for the space cut-off interaction.

Theorem 5.1. Let $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ and h_1, \ldots, h_k be in C_0^{∞} . Then the $G_l^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ converge as $l \to \infty$ to $G^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$, where $G^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ are translation invariant in t and **x** and given by

$$G^{k}(h_{1},...,h_{k}) = G^{k}_{0}(h_{1},...,h_{k}) + (i)^{k} \sum_{r=1}^{k} \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\substack{p+q=k \\ q \ge r,p \ge 0}} \frac{(i)^{p}}{p!}$$

$$\sum_{\sigma \in S_{k}} G^{k}_{0}(h_{\sigma(1)},...,h_{\sigma(p)}) \sum_{\substack{l_{1}+...+l_{r}=q \\ l_{i}\ge 1}} \frac{1}{l_{1}!...l_{r}!}$$

$$\cdot \int \cdots \int \prod_{i=1}^{r} \left[S^{l}_{i} \prod_{j=1}^{l_{i}} h^{k}_{\sigma(p+l_{1}+...+l_{i}-j+1)}(x_{i}) \right]$$

$$\cdot \varrho^{r}(x_{1}s_{1},...,x_{r}s_{r}) \prod_{j=1}^{r} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j}.$$
(5.5)

 S_k is the set of permutations of 1, ..., k and the $G_0^k(h_1, ..., h_k)$ are the imaginary time free Wightman functions: $G_0^k(h_1, ..., h_k) = E(\Phi(h_1) ... \Phi(h_k))$ = $\frac{1}{2^p p!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_k} (h_{\sigma(1)}, h_{\sigma(2)})_{-1} ... (h_{\sigma(2p-1)}, h_{\sigma(2p)})_{-1}$ for k = 2p and zero for k odd $\sigma(x, s, ..., x, s)$ is the infinite volume correlation function of

for k odd. $\varrho^r(x_1 s_1, ..., x_r s_r)$ is the infinite volume correlation function of Lemma 4.1, and $h_i^{\varepsilon}(x) = \int G_{\varepsilon}(x-y) h_i(y) dy$ and $G_{\varepsilon}(x)$ is the $G_{\varepsilon}(x)$ of Section 4, which is given by

$$G_{\varepsilon}(x) = \int \frac{e^{i p x} \tilde{\chi}_{\varepsilon}^{2}(\boldsymbol{p})}{p^{2} + m^{2}} dp,$$

with $\tilde{\chi}_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{p}) = \int e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}.$

Proof. It follows from (4.4) and the fact that $G_A\left(\sum_{i=1}^k t_i h_i\right)$ is analytic in t_1, \ldots, t_k that the formula (5.5) with $G_A^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ instead of $G^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ and with $\varrho_A^r(x_1 s_1, \ldots, x_r s_r)$ instead of $\varrho^r(x_1 s_1, \ldots, x_r s_r)$ holds. Choosing now $A = A_{t,l}$ we have by (5.4) that $G_{t,l}^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ converges to the limit $G_l^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ as $t \to \infty$. On the other hand by Lemma 4.1 $\varrho_{A_{t,l}}^r(x_1 s_1, \ldots, x_r s_r)$ is uniformly bounded in x_1, \ldots, x_r, t, l and tends to a limit $\varrho^r(x_1 s_1, \ldots, x_r s_r)$ uniformly on compacts as t and l tend to infinity. Since $h_l^k(x)$ $i = 1, \ldots, k$ are all bounded integrable functions we get by dominated convergence from (5.5), with $G_{t,l}^k = G_{A_{t,l}}^k$ and $\varrho_{A_{t,l}}^k$ instead of G^k and ϱ^r , that $G_{t,l}^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$ converges to the limit $G^k(h_1, \ldots, h_k)$, given by (5.5), as t and l tend to infinity.

Consider now the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &|G_l^k(h_1, \dots, h_k) - G^k(h_1, \dots, h_k)| \\ &\leq |G_l^k(h_1, \dots, h_k) - G_{l,l}^k(h_1, \dots, h_k)| + |G_{l,l}^k(h_1, \dots, h_k) - G^k(h_1, \dots, h_k)| \,. \end{aligned}$$

Choose $\varepsilon > 0$; then there exists a N_{ε} such that for any $t \ge N_{\varepsilon}$ and any $l \ge N_{\varepsilon}$ the last term is smaller than $\varepsilon/2$. Choose an $l \ge T_{\varepsilon}$. Then for this value of l we may choose a $t \ge N_{\varepsilon}$ and large enough so that the first term is smaller than $\varepsilon/2$. Then for $l \ge T_{\varepsilon}$ we get $|G_{l}^{k}(h_{1}, ..., h_{k}) - G^{k}(h_{1}, ..., h_{k})| \le \varepsilon$. This proves the theorem.

Theorem 5.2. Let $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$, and let $h_1, ..., h_k, g_1, ..., g_l$ be in $C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Let $g_i^a(x) = g_i(x-a)$ for $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then we have the following cluster properties:

$$G^{k+l}(h_1, ..., h_k, g_1^a, ..., g_l^a) \to G^k(h_1, ..., h_k) G^l(g_1, ..., g_l)$$

as $|a| \to \infty$.

Proof. It follows from (5.5) that for any $h \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$$G(h) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(i)^k}{k!} G^k(h, \dots, h) \text{ is defined}$$

and the series is absolutely convergent. Remembering that (5.5) was obtained by means of (4.4), we get

$$G(h) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(h,h)_{-1}} \left[1 + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!} \int \cdots \int \prod_{j=1}^{r} (e^{-s_j h^e(x_j)} - 1) \right]$$

$$\cdot \varrho^r(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_r s_r) \prod_{j=1}^{r} dv(s_j) dx_j .$$
(5.6)

Therefore

$$G(h^{a} + g^{-a}) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(h,h)-1} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2}(g,g)-1} e^{-(h^{a},g^{-a})-1} \left[1 + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r!} \int \cdots \int \prod_{j=1}^{r} (e^{-s_{j}h^{e}(x_{j}-a)-s_{j}g^{e}(x_{j}+a)} - 1) + e^{r}(x_{1}s_{1},\dots,x_{r}s_{r}) \prod_{j=1}^{r} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j}\right].$$
(5.7)

We observe that $(h^a, g^{-a})_{-1} \to 0$ as $|a| \to \infty$. By writing each of the integrals over x_i as the sum of the integrals over $x_i \cdot a \leq 0$ and $x_i \cdot a \geq 0$, we get that the *r*'th term of the series above is equal to

$$\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{s=0}^{r} {r \choose s} \int_{x_{j} \cdot a \ge 0}^{\cdots} \int_{y_{j} \cdot a \le 0}^{\cdots} \int_{j=1}^{s} (e^{-s_{j}h^{\varepsilon}(x_{j}-a)-s_{j}g^{\varepsilon}(x_{j}+a)}-1)$$

$$\cdot \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} (e^{-t_{j}h^{\varepsilon}(y_{j}-a)-t_{j}g^{\varepsilon}(y_{j}+a)}-1) \varrho^{r}(x_{1}s_{1}\dots x_{s}s_{s}, y_{1}t_{1}\dots y_{r-s}t_{r-s}) \quad (5.8)$$

$$\cdot \prod_{j=1}^{s} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} dv(t_{j}) dy_{j}.$$

From the definition of $h^{\varepsilon}(x) = \int G_{\varepsilon}(x-y) h(y) dy$ we get that $|h^{\varepsilon}(x)| \leq C e^{-m|x|}$, from which we obtain that

$$|h^{\varepsilon}(y-a)| \leq C e^{-\frac{m}{2}|a|} \cdot e^{-\frac{m}{2}|y|} \text{ for } y \cdot a \leq 0$$

and similarly

$$|g^{\varepsilon}(x+a)| \leq C e^{-\frac{m}{2}|a|} \cdot e^{-\frac{m}{2}|x|} \quad \text{for} \quad x \cdot a \geq 0.$$

By the substitution $x_i \rightarrow x_i + a$ and $y_i \rightarrow y_i - a$ we get

$$\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{s=0}^{r} {\binom{r}{s}} \int_{x_{j} \cdot a \ge -a^{2}} \int_{y_{j} \cdot a \le a^{2}} \prod_{j=1}^{s} (e^{-s_{j}h^{e}(x_{j}) - s_{j}g^{e}(x_{j} + 2a)} - 1) \\
\cdot \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} (e^{-t_{j}h^{e}(y_{j} - 2a) - t_{j}g^{e}(y_{j})} - 1) \varrho_{a}^{r}(x_{1}s_{1} \dots x_{s}s_{s}, y_{1}t_{1} \dots y_{r-s}t_{r-s}) \quad (5.9) \\
\cdot \prod dv(s_{j}) dx_{j} \prod dv(t_{j}) dy_{j},$$

where $\varrho_a^r(x_1, \dots, x_s, y_1, \dots, y_{r-s}) = \varrho^r(x_1 + a, \dots, x_s + a, y_1 - a, \dots, y_{r-s} - a)$. Let $F_a(x, s)$ be any measurable function uniformly bounded in *a*; then

$$\int_{x \cdot a \ge -a^2} (e^{-sh^{\varepsilon}(x) - sg^{\varepsilon}(x + 2a)} - 1) F_a(x, s) dx dv(s) - \int_{x \cdot a \ge -a^2} (e^{-sh^{\varepsilon}(x)} - 1) F_a(x, s) dx dv(s)$$
(5.10)

converges to zero when $|a| \rightarrow \infty$, because the absolute value of (5.10) is bounded by

$$\int_{|x-a| \ge |-a|^2} e^{-sh^{e}(x)} |e^{-sg^{e}(x+2a)} - 1| |F_{a}(x,s)| \, dx \, dv(s)$$

$$\leq A \int_{|x+a| \ge |-a|^2} |e^{-sg^{u}(x+2a)} - 1| \, dx \, dv(s)$$

$$\leq B \int_{|x+a| \ge |-a|^2} |g^{u}(x+2a)| \, dx = B \int_{|x+a| \ge |0|} |g^{v}(x+a)| \, dx$$

$$\leq B \cdot C e^{-\frac{m}{2}|a|} \int e^{-\frac{m}{2}|x|} \, dx \, .$$

Therefore for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an R_{ε} such that, for $|a| > R_{\varepsilon}$, (5.9) will differ from (5.11) by an amount smaller than $\varepsilon/2$:

$$\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{s=0}^{r} \int_{x_{j} \cdot a \geq -a^{2}} \int_{y_{j} \cdot a \leq a^{2}} \prod_{j=1}^{s} (e^{-s_{j}h^{e}(x_{j})} - 1) \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} (e^{-t_{j}g^{e}(y_{j})} - 1) \\
\cdot \varrho_{a}^{r}(x_{1}s_{1}, \dots, x_{s}s_{s}, y_{1}t_{1}, \dots, y_{r-s}t_{r-s}) \prod_{j=1}^{s} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j} \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} dv(t_{j}) dy_{j}.$$
(5.11)

By dominated convergence and Lemma 4.2 we have that (5.11) converges to (5.12) as $|a| \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{s=0}^{r} {\binom{r}{s}} \int \cdots \int \prod_{j=1}^{s} \left(e^{-s_{j}h^{c}(x_{j})} - 1 \right) \varrho^{s}(x_{1}s_{1}, \dots, x_{s}s_{s}) \prod_{j=1}^{s} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j}$$

$$\cdot \int \cdots \int \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} \left(e^{-t_{j}g^{e}(y_{j})} - 1 \right) \varrho^{r-s}(y_{1}t_{1}, \dots, y_{r-s}t_{r-s}) \prod_{j=1}^{r-s} dv(t_{j}) dy_{j}.$$
(5.12)

From (5.7) and the translation invariance we now get that

$$G(h+g^a) \to G(h) \ G(g) \quad \text{as} \quad |a| \to \infty .$$
 (5.13)

Since $G\left(\sum_{i} t_{i}h_{i} + \sum_{j} s_{j}g_{j}^{a}\right)$ is analytic in *t* and *s* and converges to $G\left(\sum_{i} t_{i}h_{i}\right)$ $\cdot G\left(\sum_{j} s_{j}g_{j}\right)$, we have only to use that the convergence of analytic functions implies the convergence of the coefficients of their powerseries to prove that $G^{k+l}(h_{1}, ..., h_{k}, g_{1}^{a}, ..., g_{l}^{a})$ converges to $G^{k}(h_{1}, ..., h_{k}) G^{l}(g_{1}, ..., g_{l})$. \Box

Theorem 5.3. Set

$$G^{k}(h_{1},...,h_{k}) = \int \cdots \int G^{k}(x_{1},...,x_{k}) h_{1}(x_{1}),...,h_{k}(x_{k}) dx_{1},...,dx_{k},$$

then $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ is locally integrable and continuous for $x_i \neq x_j$, for all $i \neq j$. The singularities at $x_i = x_j$ are of the same form as the singularities of $G_0^k(x_1, ..., x_j)$. Moreover the $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ are translation invariant and, for $\chi_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x})$ rotational invariant, they are also invariant under rotations in \mathbb{R}^{n-1} . The $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ depend analytically on λ for $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ 18.

Proof. This follows from (5.5) and the analyticity of the $\varrho^r(x_1, s_1, ..., x_r s_r)$ as proved in Lemma 4.1.

Theorem 5.4. For all $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ we have that the vacuum energy density

$$\tilde{\varepsilon} = \lim_{l \to \infty} |B_l|^{-1} E_l$$

exists, where $|B_l|$ is the volume of the n-1-dimensional ball of radius l. Moreover this limit is equal to the $\tilde{\epsilon}$ of Lemma 4.3 and is therefore analytic in λ for all $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ and its power series is given in terms of the powerseries for ϱ^1 by

 $\tilde{\varepsilon}(\lambda) = -\int_{0}^{\lambda} \frac{1}{\tilde{\lambda}} \varrho^{1}(x,s;\tilde{\lambda}) \, d\tilde{\lambda} \, dv(s) \, .$

The power series for all ϱ^r , hence also for $\tilde{\varepsilon}$, are explicitely given by (4.14)¹⁹. $\tilde{\varepsilon}(\lambda)$ is a concave function of λ .

For dv a positive measure and all $\lambda < 0$ (not necessarily $> -C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$) the limit $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ exists, is negative, decreasing for $|\lambda|$ increasing, concave in λ and $\ln(-\lambda)$.

¹⁸ The coefficients in the expansion of $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ in powers of λ can be obtained from those of the expansions of the ϱ 's in powers of λ , using (5.5). The latter are known and given by (4.14) (see also footnote 17).

¹⁹ The expansion for $(-\tilde{\epsilon}(\lambda))$ is the Mayer power series expansion $\Sigma b_n(-\lambda)^n$ for the "pressure" of our gas as a function of $(-\lambda)$. Hence the coefficient are the quantities b_n of footnote 17, which can be computed explicitely.

Proof. By Lemma 4.3 $|A_{t,l}|^{-1} \ln Z_{t,l}$ converges to $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ as t and l tend to infinity. We observe that $|A_{t,l}| = t \cdot |B_l|$. By (5.1) $Z_{t,l} = (\Omega_0, e^{-tH_l}\Omega_0)$. E_l is a simple lowest eigenvalue of H_l so that $\frac{1}{t} \ln(\Omega_0, e^{-tH_l}\Omega_0) \rightarrow -E_l$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore

$$|A_{t,l}|^{-1} \ln Z_{t,l} \rightarrow -|B_l|^{-1} \cdot E_l$$

as $t \to \infty$. Since $|A_{l,l}|^{-1} \ln Z_{l,l}$ converges to $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ for t and l tending to infinity it now follows that $|B_l|^{-1} E_l$ converges as $l \to \infty$ to the $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ of Lemma 4.3. That $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ is concave in λ follows from $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ being the limit of $-|B_l|^{-1} E_l$ and the fact that E_l , being the lowest eigenvalue of $H_l = H_0 + \lambda V_l$, is concave in λ . The rest of the theorem is contained in Lemma 4.3.

6. The Vacuum, the Interacting Fields and the Wightman Functions

Let $\alpha_t^l(A) = e^{-itH_l} A e^{itH_l}$, for any bounded operator A on \mathscr{F} , and let α_t^0 be the corresponding one parameter group of C^* -automorphisms defined with H_0 instead of H_l . Let $\mathscr{A}_0^T(\Omega)$, for any open domain Ω in \mathbb{R}^{n-1} , be the W^* -algebra generated by all $\alpha_t^0(e^{i\varphi(f)})$, for all $t \in [-T, T]$ and all $f \in \mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ with compact support in Ω , where $\varphi(f) = \int \varphi(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$, with $\varphi(\mathbf{x})$ given by (2.1). Let \mathscr{A}_0 be the smallest C^* -algebra containing all $\mathscr{A}_0^T(\Omega)$.

Theorem 6.1. α_t^l as well as α_t^0 are one parameter groups of C^* -automorphisms of \mathcal{A}_0 . Moreover α_t^l converges strongly on \mathcal{A}_0 to a one parameter group of automorphisms α_t of \mathcal{A}_0 as $l \to \infty$. We also have that $\alpha_{-1}^0 \alpha_t^l$ and $\alpha_t^l \alpha_{-1}^0$ converge strongly to $\alpha_{-1}^0 \alpha_t$ and $\alpha_t \alpha_{-1}^0$, uniformly on an open interval containing t = 0.

The proof of this theorem is entirely similar to the proof of the corresponding theorem in Ref. [6d]. The only difference is that we do not assume that α_t^0 is strongly continuous. As mentioned in [6d], p. 31, this can be overcome by taking, as we have done, the local W^* -closure in forming the algebra \mathscr{A}_0 .

The conclusions of Theorem 6.1 are, however, weaker than those of the corresponding theorem in [6d], in as much as we can not say that α_t is strongly continuous²⁰.

Let now Z_A , F_A and f_x be as in Section 4, where we have also defined $\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x) = \Phi(f_x)$, $\Phi = \Phi_{\mathscr{H}_n^{-1}}$ being the generalized Gaussian stochastic process indexed by the Sobolev space \mathscr{H}_n^{-1} . Then

$$(-\lambda)^{k} Z_{A}^{-1} F_{A} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{k} s_{j} f_{x_{j}} \right) = (-\lambda)^{k} Z_{A}^{-1} E \left(e^{i \sum_{j=1}^{k} s_{j} \Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_{j})} e^{-\lambda \int v (\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x) dx)} \right), \quad (6.1)$$

²⁰ For additional results on the α_t^l see [6b], Lemma 4.

where E is the expectation in the probability space of the generalized process Φ . If we now expand with respect to λ we get that this is equal to

$$(-\lambda)^{k} Z_{A}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^{n}}{n!} \int_{A^{n}} \int E\left(e^{i\sum_{j=1}^{k} s_{j}} \varphi_{\varepsilon}(x_{j})\right)$$

$$\cdot v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_{k+1})) \dots v(\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_{k+n})) \prod_{j=k+1}^{k+n} dx_{j}$$

$$= Z_{A}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^{n+k}}{n!} \int_{A^{n}} \int E\left(e^{i\sum_{j=1}^{k+n} s_{j}} \varphi_{\varepsilon}(x_{j})\right) \prod_{j=k+1}^{k+n} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j}$$

$$= Z_{A}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\lambda)^{n+k}}{n!} \int \dots \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n+k} s_{i}} g_{\varepsilon}(x_{i}-x_{j})} \prod_{j=k+1}^{k+n} dv(s_{j}) dx_{j},$$

which by (4.3) is equal to $\varrho_A^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$.

This proves the formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
\varrho_A^k(x_1 \, s_1, \, \dots, \, x_k \, s_k) \\
&= (-\lambda)^k E \left(e^{-\lambda \int v \left(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_e(x) \right) \, dx} \right)^{-1} E \left(e^{i \sum_{j=1}^k s_j \boldsymbol{\Phi}_e(x_j)} e^{-\lambda \int v \left(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_e(x) \right) \, dx} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{6.2}$$

Choose now $\Lambda = \Lambda_{a,l} = \{(x_0, \mathbf{x}); |x_0| \le a, |\mathbf{x}| \le l\}$. Then by Lemma 3.2, for $-a \le t_1 \le \cdots \le t_k \le a$, where $t_i = (x_i)_0, i = 1, \dots, k$: $E\left(e^{-\lambda \int v(\Phi_k(\mathbf{x})) dx}\right) = (\Omega_0, e^{-2aH_1}\Omega_0), \quad (6.3)$

and, with $\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})$ given by (2.2),

$$E \begin{pmatrix} i \sum_{j=1}^{k} s_j \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\varepsilon}(x_j) & -\lambda \int v(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\varepsilon}(x)) \, dx \\ e^{-j=1} & e^{-\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = (\Omega_0, e^{-(t_1+a)H_1} e^{is_1 \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_1)} e^{-(t_2-t_1)H_1} \dots e^{is_k \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_k)} e^{-(a-t_k)H_1} \Omega_0).$$
(6.4)

Since E_l is a simple isolated lowest eigenvalue, the limit as $a \rightarrow \infty$ of the expression obtained dividing (6.4) by (6.3) exists and is equal to

$$(\Omega_l, e^{is_1\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_1)}e^{-(t_2-t_1)\overline{H}_l} \dots e^{-(t_k-t_{k-1})\overline{H}_l}e^{is_k\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_k)}\Omega_l)$$

We have the following theorem:

Theorem 6.2. The functions $\varrho_{A_{a,i}}^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$ converge pointwise as $a \to \infty$ to the finite volume correlation functions $\varrho_i^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$, where, for $t_i = (x_i)_0$ and $t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_k$:

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho_l^k(x_1 \, s_1, \, \dots, \, x_k \, s_k) \\ &= (-\lambda)^k (\Omega_l, \, e^{i \, s_1 \, \varphi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}_1)} \, e^{-(t_2 - t_1) \, \overline{H}_l} \, \dots \, e^{-(t_k - t_{k-1}) \, \overline{H}_l} \, e^{i \, s_k \, \varphi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}_k)} \, \Omega_l) \,, \end{aligned}$$
with $\overline{H}_l = H_l - E_l.$

Moreover $G_l^k(h_1, ..., h_k)$ is given in terms of ϱ_l^k by (5.5), where ϱ_l^k is substituted for ϱ^k .

Proof. All but the moreover part is proven above, and the proof of the moreover part follows from the proof of Theorem 5.1. \Box

From Theorem 6.2 it follows that ϱ_l^k is analytic in $\xi_1 = t_2 - t_1, \dots, \xi_{k-1} = t_k - t_{k-1}$ for Re $\xi_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, k-1$, and uniformly bounded for Re $\xi_i \ge 0$. As in the proof of Theorem 5.1 we have that, for $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ and real $t_1, \dots, t_k, \varrho_l^k(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_k s_k)$ converges, uniformly on compacts, as $l \to \infty$, to $\varrho^k(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_k s_k)$. By the analyticity and uniform boundedness, for real λ with $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$, in the region Re $\xi_i \ge 0$, $i = 1, \dots, k-1$, this implies that $\varrho_l^k(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_k s_k)$ converges for Re $\xi_i > 0$ pointwise to a function analytic in Re $\xi_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, k-1$, which is the analytic continuation of $\varrho^k(x_1 s_1, \dots, x_k s_k)$. Moreover the boundary values, i.e. the values on the set where all t_i are purely imaginary, converge almost everywhere. This gives that

$$\sigma_l^k(x_1 \, s_1, \dots, x_k \, s_k) = (-i\lambda)^k \left(\Omega_l, e^{is_1 \varphi_e(\mathbf{x}_1)} e^{-i(t_2 - t_1)\vec{H}_1} \dots e^{-i(t_k - t_{k-1})\vec{H}_1} e^{is_k \varphi_e(\mathbf{x}_k)} \Omega_l\right)$$
(6.5)

converges almost everywhere in the *t*'s as $l \to \infty$, for all real λ satisfying $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$.

Consider now the imaginary time Wightman functions $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$, given by the relation

 $G^{k}(h_{1}, \ldots, h_{k}) = \int G^{k}(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}) h_{1}(x_{1}) \ldots h_{k}(x_{k}) dx_{1} \ldots dx_{k}.$

We then have:

Theorem 6.3. For real λ with $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ the imaginary time Wightman functions $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ are analytic functions of all the variables $\xi_1 = t_2 - t_1, ..., \xi_{k-1} = t_k - t_{k-1}$ in the domain {Re $\xi_i > 0, i = 1, ..., k - 1$ }, where $t_i = (x_i)_0$ for i = 1, ..., k. Their boundary values on the imaginary axis, $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ are the Wightman functions. $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ satisfy the positive definiteness conditions for Wightman functions and are translation invariant in space and time. Moreover they are rotation invariant in space if $\chi_k(\mathbf{x})$ is chosen rotation invariant.

Proof. From what is said before the theorem, we know that $\varrho^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$ is analytic and uniformly bounded for $\operatorname{Re} \xi_i > 0$, i = 1, ..., k - 1. It follows then from (5.5) and the fact that $G_{\varepsilon}(t, \mathbf{x})$ is analytic for $\operatorname{Re} t > 0$, that the $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ are analytic for $\operatorname{Re} \xi_i > 0$. Their boundary values $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ for $\operatorname{Re} \xi_i = 0$, i = 1, ..., k - 1 satisfy the positive definiteness conditions because they are limits in the

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sense of distributions ²¹ of the finite volume Wightman functions, which are themselves boundary values of the functions $G_l^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$, analytic in Re $\xi_i > 0$, i = 1, ..., k - 1, satisfying for $t_i = (x_i)_0$ and $t_1 \leq \cdots \leq t_k$

$$G_{l}^{k}(x_{1},...,x_{k}) = (\Omega_{l},\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{1})e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})\overline{H}_{l}}...e^{-(t_{k}-t_{k-1})\overline{H}_{l}}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{k})\Omega_{l}) \quad (6.6)$$

and converging as $l \to \infty$ to $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$. The invariance of the $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ follows from the corresponding invariance of the $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$, which was proven in Theorem 5.3. \square

Since the infinite volume Wightman functions $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ satisfy the positive definiteness conditions, we can construct a Hilbert space \mathscr{H} with a cyclic vector Ω in the usual fashion²², such that $\varphi(f)$ for fsmooth²³ are symmetric operators on an invariant domain of \mathscr{H} . Due to the translation invariance of the $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ we have a strongly continuous unitary representation of the translation group on \mathscr{H} , with Ω as an invariant vector. From the analyticity properties of $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ it follows that the infinitesimal generator of the time translations, H, is non negative, i.e. $H \ge 0$. This canonical construction is such that

$$W^{k}(x_{1}, ..., x_{k}) = \left(\Omega, \varphi(\mathbf{x}_{1}) e^{i(t_{2} - t_{1})H} \varphi(\mathbf{x}_{2}) \dots e^{i(t_{k} - t_{k-1})H} \varphi(\mathbf{x}_{k})\Omega\right).$$
(6.7)

Hence we have the following theorem:

Theorem 6.4. For real λ and $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B^{-1}}$ there is a Hilbert space \mathscr{H} which carries a strongly continuous unitary representation of the translation group in space and time, with an invariant vector Ω , and such that the polynomial algebra generated by $\varphi(f)$ with f smooth²³ is represented by symmetric operators on an invariant domain of \mathscr{H} . Ω is cyclic with respect to the representation of the translation group and the algebra spanned by $\varphi(f)$; and H, the infinitesimal generator of the time translations, is non negative, $H \ge 0$. Moreover, for $t_1 \le \cdots \le t_k$ and $(x_i)_0 = t_i$ i = 1, ..., k:

$$G^{k}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{k}) = \left(\Omega, \varphi(\mathbf{x}_{1})e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})H} \ldots e^{-(t_{k}-t_{k-1})H}\varphi(\mathbf{x}_{k})\Omega\right)$$

Proof. All but the formula follows from what is said above. The formula follows from (6.6) and the fact that $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ was taken to be the boundary values of $G^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$.

Theorem 6.5. For λ real and $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$, Ω is the only translation invariant state of \mathcal{H} , and zero is a simple eigenvalue of H with eigenvector Ω .

²¹ E.g. in $\mathscr{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $\mathscr{D}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ being the Schwartz' space of distributions over $\mathscr{D}(\mathbb{R}^n) \equiv C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. But the test function space can also be chosen to be more general, as can be seen from the preceding proofs.

²² See e.g. Ref. [16], Chapter 3, 3.4.

²³ E.g. in Schwartz space $C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ or $\mathscr{S}(\mathbb{R})$.

Moreover the Wightman functions $W^k(x_1, ..., x_k)$ have also the cluster properties with respect to space translations, i.e. for a = (0, a),

$$W^{k+l}(x_1 + a, \dots, x_k + a, y_1, \dots, y_l) \to W^k(x_1, \dots, x_k) W^l(y_1, \dots, y_l)$$

in the sense of distributions 21 , as $|\mathbf{a}| \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. From the formula of Theorem 6.4 and the cluster properties in the time directions of the G-functions as given in Theorem 5.2, we get that Ω is the only eigenvector with eigenvalue zero for H. The cluster properties of the Wightman functions are a direct consequence of the cluster properties of the G-functions in the space directions, since these imply that U_a converges weakly to the projection on Ω as |a| tends to infinity, where U_a is the unitary operator corresponding to the translation by a = (0, a). This proves the theorem. \Box

We shall now study the connection between the construction of the infinite volume Wightman functions, as we have done above, and the limit as $l \to \infty$ of the space cut-off vacuum state on elements of the algebra generated by all finite linear combinations of operators of the form $\alpha_{t_1}(e^{is_1\varphi(f_1)}) \dots \alpha_{t_k}(e^{is_k\varphi(f_k)})$, α_t being the time automorphism given by Theorem 6.1.

As remarked in connection with (6.5), the quantities $\sigma_l^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$ converge, for real λ with $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ and for almost all $t_i = (x_i)_0$, as $l \to \infty$, to limit functions $\sigma^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$. Since $(-i\lambda)^{-k} \sigma_l^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$ satisfy the positive definiteness conditions, the limit functions $(-i\lambda)^{-k} \sigma^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$ satisfy also the positive definiteness conditions and can therefore be used in the same way as the Wightman functions to construct a representation space for the operators $e^{is\varphi_e(x)}$. From the construction it follows that $e^{is\varphi_e(x)}$ form a strongly continuous unitary group with infinitesimal generator $\varphi_e(x)$. Using now (6.6) we get the identification of this representation with the one in Theorem 6.4. From this it follows by (6.5) that we have the following formula for the limit function $\sigma^k(x_1 s_1, ..., x_k s_k)$:

$$\sigma^{k}(x_{1} s_{1}, ..., x_{k} s_{k}) = (-i\lambda)^{k} \left(\Omega, e^{is_{1}\varphi_{k}(\mathbf{x}_{1})} e^{-i(t_{2}-t_{1})H} \dots e^{-i(t_{k}-t_{k-1})H} e^{is_{k}\varphi_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x}_{k})}\Omega\right)$$
(6.7)

and hence correspondingly, for $t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \cdots \leq t_k$:

$$\varrho^{k}(x_{1} s_{1}, ..., x_{k} s_{k}) = (-\lambda)^{k} \left(\Omega, e^{is_{1}\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_{1})} e^{-(t_{2}-t_{1})H} \dots e^{-(t_{k}-t_{k-1})H} e^{is_{k}\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_{k})} \Omega\right).$$
(6.8)

We have now, choosing $\chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})$ positive definite:

Theorem 6.6. Let α_t be the time automorphism given by Theorem 6.1. For any real λ with $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ there exists a strongly dense linear subspace \mathscr{W} of $\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ such that for all f_1, \ldots, f_k in \mathscr{W} and almost all t_i , $i = 1, \ldots, k$:

$$(\Omega_l, \alpha_{l_1}(e^{is_1\varphi(f_1)}) \dots \alpha_{l_k}(e^{is_k\varphi(f_k)})\Omega_l)$$

converges as $l \rightarrow \infty$ to

$$\left(\Omega,\alpha_{t_1}(e^{is_1\varphi(f_1)})\ldots\alpha_{t_k}(e^{is_k\varphi(f_k)})\Omega\right),$$

where Ω is the unique infinite volume vacuum given by the Theorems 6.4, 6.5. Moreover the limit is also equal, for almost all t_i , i = 1, ..., k to

 $(\Omega, e^{is_1 \varphi(f_1)} e^{i(t_2 - t_1)H} \dots e^{i(t_n - t_{n-1})H} e^{is_k \varphi(f_k)} \Omega).$

where H is the infinitesimal generator of the time translations given by Theorem 6.4.

Proof. By the definition of α_i^l and the fact that Ω_i is the eigenvector of H_i to the eigenvalue E_i , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\Omega_l, \alpha_{t_1}^l(e^{is_1\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_1)}) \dots \alpha_{t_k}^l(e^{is_k\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_k)})\Omega_l) \\ &= (\Omega_l, e^{is_1\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_1)}e^{-\iota(t_2-t_1)\overline{H}_l} \dots e^{-i(t_k-t_{k-1})\overline{H}_l}e^{is_k\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_k)}\Omega_l). \end{aligned}$$

with $\overline{H}_l = H_l - E_l$.

By (6.5) this is equal to

$$(-i\lambda)^{-k}\sigma_l^k(x_1s_1,\ldots,x_ks_k)$$

and converges, as $l \rightarrow \infty$, to the limit functions

$$(-i\lambda)^{-k}\sigma^k(x_1s_1,\ldots,x_ks_k),$$

for all real λ with $|\lambda| < C^{-1} e^{-2B-1}$ and almost all t_i . By (6.7) these limit functions are equal to

$$(\Omega, e^{is_1\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_1)}e^{-i(t_2-t_1)H} \dots e^{-i(t_k-t_{k-1})H}e^{is_k\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_k)}\Omega).$$

We have therefore

$$\lim_{l \to \infty} \left(\Omega_l, \alpha_{t_1}^l (e^{i \, s_1 \, \varphi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}_1)}) \dots \alpha_{t_k}^l (e^{i \, s_k \, \varphi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}_k)}) \Omega_l \right)$$

$$= \left(\Omega, e^{i \, s_1 \, \varphi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}_1)} e^{-i (t_2 - t_1) H} \dots e^{-i (t_k - t_{k-1}) H} e^{i \, s_k \, \varphi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}_k)} \Omega \right).$$
(6.9)

Introduce now the functions $f_i(\mathbf{y})$ on \mathbb{R}^{n-1} , defined, for each $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ by: $f_i(\mathbf{y}) = \chi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y})$. These functions belong to $\mathscr{H}_{n-1}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ and one has

$$\varphi_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \int \varphi(\mathbf{y}) f_i(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} = \varphi(f_i).$$

Introducing these identities in (6.9) we obtain:

$$\lim_{l \to \infty} (\Omega_l, \alpha_{t_1}^l(e^{is_1 \varphi(f_1)}) \dots \alpha_{t_k}^l(e^{is_k \varphi(f_k)}) \Omega_l) = (\Omega, e^{is_1 \varphi(f_1)} e^{-i(t_2 - t_1)H} \dots e^{-i(t_k - t_{k-1})H} e^{is_k \varphi(f_k)} \Omega).$$
(6.10)

On the other hand, because of the strong convergence on \mathscr{A}_0 of α_t^l , given by Theorem 6.1, and because of the uniform bound $\|\Omega_t\| = 1$, we have that

$$\lim_{l \to \infty} (\Omega_l, \alpha_{t_1}^l(e^{is_1\varphi(f_1)}) \dots \alpha_{t_k}^l(e^{is_k\varphi(f_k)})\Omega_l)$$
$$= \lim_{l \to \infty} (\Omega_l, \alpha_{t_1}(e^{is_1\varphi(f_1)}) \dots \alpha_{t_k}(e^{is_k\varphi(f_k)})\Omega_l).$$

This together with (6.10) are the formulae of the theorem, which are therefore proven for $f_i(\mathbf{y}) = \chi_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}), i = 1, ..., k$. The rest follows from the fact that the set \mathcal{W} of all finite real linear combinations of these functions f_i , for all $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$, i = 1, ..., k and all positive integers k is dense in $\mathcal{H}_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, since the f_i run over the set of all translates of the function $\chi_{\epsilon}(-\mathbf{y}) = \chi_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{y})$ for which $\tilde{\chi}_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{p}) (\mu(\mathbf{p}))^{-\frac{1}{2}} > 0$ for almost every $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$, $\tilde{\chi}_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{p})$ being the Fouriertransform of the symmetric, positive definite function $\chi_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{y})$.

Remark. Theorem 6.6 connects the limit of the space cut-off vacuum state on an algebra defined in terms of the time automorphism constructed by Streater and Wilde [6d] with the infinite volume quantities we have constructed in Theorems 6.2 to 6.5.

Remark. Since, by Theorem 5.4, for $|\lambda| < C^{-1}e^{-2B-1}$ one has that the vacuum energy density $|B_l|^{-1}E_l$ converges to $\tilde{\epsilon}$ as $l \to \infty$ and moreover the interaction V_l is bounded in norm by a constant limes $|B_l|$, we obtain the estimate

$$|(\Omega_l, H_0 \Omega_l)| \leq C_1 |B_l|,$$

where C_1 is independent of l.

This inequality and the fact that the Wightman functions tend, as $l \rightarrow \infty$, to the translation invariant Wightman functions could be used to prove, along the lines of [17], that the representation space in the infinite volume limit is locally Fock.

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