A Short Introduction to the Mathematical Theory of Nonequilibrium Quantum Statistical Mechanics



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1. C*-algebraic quantum statistical mechanics [Bratteli-Robinson], [Jakšić-Pillet 02], [A-Jakšić-Pautrat-Pillet 06],...

1.1 C^* -dynamical systems (\mathcal{O}, τ)

• observables

(unital) C^* -algebra \mathcal{O}

Banach *-algebra (complete w.r.t. submultiplicative norm $\|\cdot\|$, involution *) with $\|A^*A\| = \|A\|^2$

• dynamics

strongly continuous group τ^t of *-automorphisms of \mathcal{O} $\mathbb{R} \ni t \mapsto \tau^t(A) \in \mathcal{O}$ continuous w.r.t $\|\cdot\|$ for all $A \in \mathcal{O}$

Example $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ with $||A|| = \sup_{\|\psi\|=1} ||A\psi||$ and $\tau^t(A) = e^{itH}Ae^{-itH}$ and $H^* = H \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$

1.2 States ω

 $\bullet \ \omega \in \mathcal{O}^*$

continuous linear functional on ${\mathcal O}$ with $\omega(1)=1$ (normalized) and $\omega(A^*A)\geq 0$ (positive)

• $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$

set of states

convex weak*-compact subset of \mathcal{O}^* with neighborhood base $U_{A_j,\epsilon}(\omega) = \{\omega': |\omega'(A_j) - \omega(A_j)| < \epsilon\}$

• (τ, β) -KMS state (\mathcal{O}, τ) C^* -dynamical system, $\beta > 0$.

$$\omega(A\tau^{\mathbf{i}\beta}(B)) = \omega(BA)$$

 $A, B \in \mathcal{D}$ norm dense, τ -invariant *-subalgebra of \mathcal{O}_{τ} "entire analytic elements for τ ": $A \in \mathcal{O}_{\tau} :\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni t \mapsto \tau^t(A)$ extends to an entire analytic function

interpretation: systems in thermal equilibrium at temperature $1/\beta$ Example (i.g. formal) Gibbs state $\omega(A) = tr(e^{-\beta H}A)/Z$ (e.g. finite system, Fermi: unique)

1.3 GNS representation [Gelfand-Naimark-Segal]

• $\omega \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$. exists unique cyclic representation $(\mathcal{H}_{\omega}, \pi_{\omega}, \Omega_{\omega})$ of \mathcal{O} s.t.

$$\omega(A) = (\Omega_{\omega}, \pi_{\omega}(A)\Omega_{\omega})$$

 $\pi_{\omega} : \mathcal{O} \to \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{\omega}) \text{ *-morphism:} \\ \pi_{\omega}(\alpha A + \beta B) = \alpha \pi_{\omega}(A) + \beta \pi_{\omega}(B), \ \pi_{\omega}(AB) = \pi_{\omega}(A) \pi_{\omega}(B), \ \pi_{\omega}(A^*) = \pi_{\omega}(A)^*$

 Ω_{ω} cyclic: $\{\pi_{\omega}(A)\Omega_{\omega} | A \in \mathcal{O}\}$ dense in \mathcal{H}_{ω}

uniqueness up to unitary equivalence: $U\pi_{\omega}(A)\Omega_{\omega} := \pi'_{\omega}(A)\Omega'_{\omega}$

 $\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{\omega}: \text{ positive semidefinite } \langle A, B \rangle &:= \omega(A^*B), \text{ left ideal } \mathcal{I}_{\omega} := \{A \in \mathcal{O} \mid \omega(A^*A) = 0\}, \text{ equivalence classes} \\ [A] &:= \{A + I \mid I \in \mathcal{I}_{\omega}\}, \text{ scalar product } ([A], [B]) := \langle A, B \rangle \\ \pi_{\omega}(a)[B] &:= [AB] \\ \Omega_{\omega} &:= [1] \end{aligned}$

• $\eta \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$ ω -normal : \Leftrightarrow exists density matrix $\rho \in \mathcal{L}(\Omega_{\omega})$:

$$\eta(A) = \operatorname{tr}(\rho \, \pi_{\omega}(A))$$

 \mathcal{N}_{ω} set of all ω -normal states

1.4 (Concrete) von Neumann algebra

• commutant

 \mathcal{H} Hilbert space, $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$.

$$\mathcal{M}' := \{ A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}) \mid [A, M] = 0, M \in \mathcal{M} \}$$

 $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{M}'' = \mathcal{M}^{(\mathit{iv})} = \mathcal{M}^{(\mathit{vi})} = ... \text{ and } \mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{M}''' = \mathcal{M}^{(\mathit{v})} = \mathcal{M}^{(\mathit{vii})} = ...$

• von Neumann algebra over \mathcal{H}

$$\mathcal{M}'' = \mathcal{M}$$

Examples $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$; not $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\mathcal{H})$ since $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\mathcal{H})' = \mathbb{C}1$

 \mathcal{M} von Neumann algebra over \mathcal{H} , $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}$, $\mathcal{M}\Omega := \{A\Omega \mid A \in \mathcal{M}\}$

- $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}$ cyclic : $\Leftrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}\Omega} = \mathcal{H}$
- $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}$ separating : $\Leftrightarrow \Omega \in \ker A \Rightarrow A = 0$

1.5 Tomita-Takesaki theory

- \mathcal{M} von Neumann algebra over \mathcal{H} , $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}$ cyclic and separating
- transfer *-involution on \mathcal{M} to dense subspace $\mathcal{M}\Omega$ of \mathcal{H} :
- $\theta: \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}\Omega, \ A \mapsto A\Omega$ θ injective (Ω separating), $\mathcal{M}\Omega$ dense (Ω cyclic)

$$S_{0}: \mathcal{M}\Omega \to \mathcal{M}\Omega, \quad S_{0}A\Omega = A^{*}\Omega \qquad \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{M} \quad \stackrel{\theta^{-1}}{\leftarrow} \quad \mathcal{M}\Omega \\ * \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow S_{0} \\ \mathcal{M} \quad \stackrel{\theta}{\longrightarrow} \quad \mathcal{M}\Omega \end{array}$$

• modular conjugation J, modular operator Δ associated with (\mathcal{M}, Ω)

$$S = J \Delta^{1/2}$$

polar decomposition of closure $S := \overline{S}_0$, J unique antiunitary, Δ unique positive selfadjoint

- [Tomita-Takesaki] $J\mathcal{M}J = \mathcal{M}'$ and $\Delta^{it}\mathcal{M}\Delta^{-it} = \mathcal{M}$
- here: $\mathcal{M} \equiv \mathcal{M}_{\omega} := \pi_{\omega}(\mathcal{O})'' \subseteq \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{\omega}).$
- $\omega \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$ modular : $\Leftrightarrow \Omega_{\omega}$ is separating for \mathcal{M}_{ω}

Example (τ, β) -KMS state (Schwarz reflection principle, reformulation of KMS conditions)

1.6 Standard Liouvillean

 (\mathcal{O}, τ) C^* -dynamical system, $\omega \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$ modular. \Rightarrow exists unique self-adjoint standard Liouvillean L on \mathcal{H}_{ω} s.t.

$$\pi_{\omega}(\tau^{t}(A)) = e^{itL} \pi_{\omega}(A) e^{-itL}, \quad e^{-itL} \mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{P}$$

natural cone $\mathcal{P} = \overline{\{AJA\Omega_{\omega} \mid A \in \mathcal{M}_{\omega}\}}$

 $\eta \in \mathcal{N}_{\omega}$ and τ -invariant \Rightarrow exists unique $\Omega_{\eta} \in \ker L \cap \mathcal{P}$ s.t. $\eta(A) = (\Omega_{\eta}, \pi_{\omega}(A)\Omega_{\eta})$

1.7 Quantum statistical mechanics and modular theory

- ker $L = \{0\} \Rightarrow$ no ω -normal τ -invariant states
- Quantum Koopmanism: spec L encodes some ergodic properties

Example $\lim_{|t|\to\infty} \eta(\tau^t(A)) = \omega(A)$ for all $\eta \in \mathcal{N}_{\omega}$ and all $A \in \mathcal{O}$ "returns to equilibrium (RTE)" \Leftrightarrow spec L is absolutely continuous up to simple eigenvalue 0

•
$$\Delta_{\omega} = e^{\mathcal{L}_{\omega}}$$
. [Takesaki] ω is (τ, β) -KMS $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\omega} = -\beta L$

1.8 Local perturbations

 (\mathcal{O}, τ) C*-dynamical system.

- local perturbation $V = V^* \in \mathcal{O}$
- generator δ_V of perturbed dynamics $\tau^t := e^{t\delta}$ from $\tau_0^t = e^{t\delta_0}$

$$\delta(A) := \delta_0(A) + i[V, A]$$

generators δ_0, δ : *-derivation of \mathcal{O} : $\delta(A^*) = \delta(A)^*, \ \delta(AB) = \delta(A)B + A\delta(B), \ A, B \in \mathcal{D}(\delta)$

• Dyson series

$$\tau^{t}(A) = \tau_{0}^{t}(A) + \sum_{n \ge 1} i^{n} \int_{0}^{t} dt_{1} \int_{0}^{t_{1}} dt_{2} \dots \int_{0}^{t_{n-1}} dt_{n} \left[\tau_{0}^{t_{n}}(V), \left[\dots[\tau_{0}^{t_{1}}(V), \tau_{0}^{t}(A)]\dots\right]\right]$$

- (\mathcal{O}, τ) is C^* -dynamical system
- $\bullet \ \omega$ modular. standard Liouvillean for perturbed dynamics

$$L_V = L + V - JVJ$$

 $dom(L_V) = dom(L)$ and L standard Liouvillean for τ

1.9 Examples

Finite quantum systems

• C*-dynamical systems (\mathcal{O}, τ) , (\mathcal{O}, τ_V) $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^N$, $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$, $H = H^*$

$$\tau^t(A) = \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}tH}A\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}tH}$$

• State ρ density matrix on \mathcal{H} , any $\omega \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$ of the form

$$\omega(A) = \operatorname{tr}(\rho A)$$

Example unique (τ, β) -KMS state, $\beta > 0$: $\rho = e^{-\beta H}/tr(e^{-\beta H})$

• GNS representation $\lambda_j \geq 0$ eigenvalues and ψ_j eigenvectors of ρ

$$\mathcal{H}_{\omega} = \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}, \quad \pi_{\omega}(A) = A \otimes \mathbf{1}, \quad \Omega_{\omega} = \sum_{j} \sqrt{\lambda_{j}} \psi_{j} \otimes \psi_{j}$$

• Modular structure

$$J(\psi \otimes \phi) = \overline{\phi} \otimes \overline{\psi}, \quad \mathcal{L}_{\omega} = \log \Delta_{\omega} = \log \rho \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \log \rho$$

• Standard Liouvillean

$$L = H \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes H$$

Free Fermi gas

• C^* -dynamical system (\mathcal{O}, τ) 1-Fermion: Hilbert space \mathfrak{h} , Hamiltonian hExamples free non-relativistic spinless electron of mass m: $\mathfrak{h} = L^2(\mathbb{R}^3), l^2(\mathbb{Z}^3), h = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta$

Fock space $\mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{h})$, bounded annihilation, creation operators $a(f), a^*(f)$ $\mathcal{O} = \mathsf{CAR}(\mathfrak{h})$ generated by $a^{\sharp}(f), f \in \mathfrak{h}$

$$\tau^{t}(A) = e^{itd\Gamma(h)}Ae^{-itd\Gamma(h)}$$

d Γ second quantization of h, and $\tau^t(a^{\sharp}(f)) = a^{\sharp}(e^{ith}f)$

• Quasifree, gauge-invariant state $T^* = T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{h})$, $0 \leq T \leq 1$

$$\omega(a^*(f_1)...a^*(f_n)a(g_1)...a(g_m)) = \delta_{mn} \det [(g_i, Tf_j)]$$

completely determined by 2-point function

$$\omega(a^*(f)a(g)) = (g, Tf)$$

Examples T = F(h): Fermi gas with energy density F(E), e.g., $T = (1 + e^{\beta h})^{-1}$: unique (τ, β) -KMS state, cf. XY (Pfaffian for *self-dual* CAR, cf. XY)

• GNS representation [Araki-Wyss 63] N number operator, Ω Fock vacuum

$$\mathcal{H}_{\omega} = \mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{h}) \otimes \mathfrak{F}(\mathfrak{h}), \quad \Omega_{\omega} = \Omega \otimes \Omega,$$

$$\pi_{\omega}(a(f)) = a((1-T)^{1/2}f) \otimes 1 + (-1)^{N} \otimes a^{*}(\overline{T}^{1/2}\overline{f})$$

• Modular structure

$$J(\psi \otimes \phi) = U\bar{\phi} \otimes U\bar{\psi}, \quad U = (-1)^{N(N-1)/2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega} = \log \Delta_{\omega} = \mathsf{d}\Gamma(S) \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \mathsf{d}\Gamma(S), \quad S = \log T(1-T)^{-1}$$

• Standard Liouvillean

$$L = \mathsf{d} \Gamma(h) \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \mathsf{d} \Gamma(h)$$

Lattice spin systems cf. 6.

2. Nonequilibrium steady states (NESS) [Ruelle 00]

 (\mathcal{O}, τ_0) C*-dynamical system, $\omega_0 \in \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$, V local perturbation.

$$\Sigma_{+}(\omega_{0}) := \text{weak*-lim pt} \left\{ \frac{1}{T} \int_{0}^{T} dt \ \omega_{0} \circ \tau^{t}, \ T > 0 \right\}$$

• non-empty, weak*-compact subset of the weak*-compact set of states $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{O})$ (\mathcal{O} unital) containing τ -invariant NESS

• Abelian averaging: $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0^+} \epsilon \int_0^\infty dt \, e^{-\epsilon t} \omega_0 \circ \tau^t$ useful for spectral deformation

• [A-Jakšić-Pautrat-Pillet 06] ω_0 factor, weak asymptotic abelianness in mean. $\eta \in \mathcal{N}_{\omega_0} \Rightarrow \Sigma_+(\eta) = \Sigma_+(\omega_0)$ $\mathcal{M}_{\omega_0} \cap \mathcal{M}'_{\omega_0} = \mathbb{C}$ 1, and $\lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt \, \eta([\tau^t(A), B]) = 0$ for all $A, B \in \mathcal{O}$ and all $\eta \in \mathcal{N}_{\omega_0}$

structural properties of NESS, spectral characterization...

Example ω_0 modular, ker L_V contains separating vector for $\mathcal{M}_{\omega_0} \Rightarrow \Sigma_+(\omega_0) \subset \mathcal{N}_{\omega_0}$

The response of the system to a local perturbation depends strongly on the nature of the initial state ω_0 .

System near equilibrium: ω_0 is (τ, β) -KMS, $\eta \in \mathcal{N}_{\omega_0}$. expect

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \eta(\tau^t(A)) = \omega(A) \quad \text{where } \omega \text{ is } (\tau, \beta) - \mathsf{KMS}$$

- \bullet ergodic problem reduces to spectral analysis of Liouvillean L_V
- conceptually clear, spectral analysis done for few systems only

System far from equilibrium:

 ω_0 is *not* normal w.r.t. some KMS state

• conceptual framework not well understood, the following two approaches to the construction of NESS are used (rigorous literature):

the scattering approach, and the spectral approach

3. The scattering approach to NESS [Ruelle 00]

• Møller morphism $(\mathcal{O}, \tau_0) C^*$ -dynamical system, V local perturbation.

$$\gamma_{+} = \lim_{t \to \infty} \tau_0^{-t} \circ \tau^t$$

algebraic analog of Hilbert space wave operator $\Omega_+ = s - \lim_{t \to \infty} e^{itH} e^{-itH_0} 1_{ac}(H_0)$

NESS
$$\omega_0 \tau_0$$
-invariant. $\Rightarrow \omega_+ = \omega_0 \circ \gamma_+ \in \Sigma_+(\omega_0)$

Example ω_0 is (τ_0, β) -KMS $\Rightarrow \omega_+$ is (τ, β) -KMS

• algebraic Cook criterion for the existence of γ_+

$$\int_0^\infty \mathsf{d}t \, \| [V, \tau^t(A)] \| < \infty$$

A in dense subset of \mathcal{O} , and $|f(x) - f(y)| = |\int_x^y dt f'(t)| \le \int_x^y dt |f'(t)| \to 0$ for $f' \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ difficult to verify in physically interesting models

Examples [A-Pillet 03], [A-Jakšić-Pautrat-Pillet 07] reduction to 1-particle Hilbert space scattering problem for quasifree systems; [Botvich-Malyshev 83] locally perturbed Fermi gas

4. The spectral approach to NESS [Jakšić-Pillet 02]

ker L_V provides information about ω_0 -normal, τ -invariant states; but thermodynamically interesting NESS *not* in \mathcal{N}_{ω_0} !

usual approach: scattering theory

C-Liouvillean L*

 $(\mathcal{O}, \tau_0) C^*$ -dynamical system, ω_0 modular, τ_0 -invariant, V local perturbation. assumptions about analytic continuation of $\Delta_{\omega_0}^{it} V \Delta_{\omega_0}^{-it}$, etc.

$$\mathsf{L}^* = L + V - J\Delta^{-1/2}V\Delta^{1/2}J$$

implements perturbed time evolution $\tau^t(A) = e^{it L^*} A e^{-it L^*}$, and $\Omega_{\omega_0} \in \ker L$

(Abelian) NESS are weak* limit points of $\epsilon \omega_{i\epsilon}$ for $\epsilon \to 0^+$, where $\omega_z(A) = i \int_0^\infty dt \ e^{izt} \omega_0(\tau^t(A)) = (\Omega_{\omega_0}, A(L^* - z)^{-1}\Omega_{\omega_0})$ \Rightarrow NESS described by resonance of L* !

5. Entropy production [Jakšić-Pillet 02]

 (\mathcal{O}, τ_0) C*-dynamical system, $\omega_0 \tau_0$ -invariant, V local perturbation, C*-dynamics σ_0 with generator δ_0 s.t. ω_0 is $(\sigma_0, -1)$ -KMS.

mean entropy production rate in NESS $\omega_+ \in \Sigma_+(\omega)$

 $\mathsf{Ep}(\omega_+) := \omega_+(\delta_0(V))$

Example [Open system] small system S coupled to extended thermal reservoirs \mathcal{R}_k : $\omega_0 = \bigotimes_k \omega_k, \ \omega_k \text{ is } (\tau_k, \beta_k)\text{-KMS}, \ \sigma_0^t = \bigotimes_k \tau_k^{-\beta_k t}, \ \delta_0 = -\sum_k \beta_k \delta_k$ $\Rightarrow \operatorname{Ep}(\omega_+) = -\sum_k \beta_k \phi_k \text{ with } \phi_k := \omega_+(\delta_k(V)) \text{ heat flux leaving } S$

- entropy production as asymptotic rate of decrease of relative entropy
 ∫₀^T dt ω₀ ∘ τ^t(δ₀(V)) = Ent(ω₀|ω₀) - Ent(ω₀ ∘ τ^T|ω₀)

 Ep(ω₊) ≥ 0
- $\omega_+ \omega_0$ -normal $\Rightarrow \mathsf{Ep}(\omega_+) = 0$

equivalence under weak ergodicity condition

Part 2: Some Applications

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6. Application of the scattering approach: XY model

• "integrable" models as essential tools in development of equilibrium statistical mechanics - *out* of equilibrium: dynamics crucial

• XY model one of few systems for which explicit knowledge of dynamics available: "integrable"

due to Jordan-Wigner transformation \Rightarrow free fermions

• integrability may be traced back to infinite family of charges master symmetries [Barouch-Fuchssteiner 85], [Araki 90]

• integrability relates to anomalous transport:

theory: overlap of current with charges prevents current-current correlation to decay to zero \Rightarrow "ideal thermal conductivity" numerics: Fourier law violated for "integrable" systems experiment: anomalous transport properties in low-dimensional magnetic systems, e.g. Heisenberg spin models • Sr₂CuO₃



- one of the best physical realizations of 1d, S = 1/2 XYZ Heisenberg model: interchain/intrachain interaction: $\sim 10^{-5}$ (PrCl₃: XY)
- [Sologubenko et al. 00] anomalously enhanced conductivity along chain electric insulator; T high: spinons \gg phonons, limited by defects & phonons

XY chain

infinite chain of spins interacting anisotropically with two nearest neighbors and with external magnetic field: $\gamma \in (-1, 1)$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

$$H = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \left((1+\gamma)\sigma_1^{(x)}\sigma_1^{(x+1)} + (1-\gamma)\sigma_2^{(x)}\sigma_2^{(x+1)} + 2\lambda\sigma_3^{(x)} \right)$$

6.1 Nonequilibrium setting [A-Pillet 03]

remove bonds at the two sites $\pm M$ \Rightarrow 3 decoupled subsystems with (τ_L, β_L) , $(\tau_S, 0)$, (τ_R, β_R) -KMS states $\omega_0 = \omega_L^{\beta_L} \otimes \omega_S \otimes \omega_R^{\beta_R}$

infinite half-chains \mathbb{Z}_L , \mathbb{Z}_R play role of thermal reservoirs to which finite subsystem \mathbb{Z}_S is attached via coupling $V = H - H_0$



6.2 Observables

quasi-local C^* -algebra \mathfrak{S} over \mathbb{Z}

$$\mathcal{H}_{\Lambda} = \bigotimes_{x \in \Lambda} \mathcal{H}_{\{x\}}, \quad \mathfrak{S}_{\Lambda} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{\Lambda})$$

associate Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{\{x\}} = \mathbb{C}^2$ to $x \in \mathbb{Z}$, finite subset Λ of \mathbb{Z}

infinite tensor product of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{\{x\}})$ for x in arbitrary subset \mathcal{Z} of \mathbb{Z} :

$$\mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{Z}} = \overline{\bigcup_{\Lambda \subset \mathcal{Z}} \mathfrak{S}_{\Lambda}}$$

observables as limits of polynomials in Pauli matrices $\sigma_{\alpha}^{(x)}$, $\alpha = 0, 1, 2, 3$ Pauli matrices $\sigma_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\sigma_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ generate $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{\{x\}})$ and $\sigma_{\alpha}^{(x)} = \cdots \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \sigma_{\alpha} \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \cdots$

$$\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}_{\mathbb{Z}}, \quad \mathfrak{S}_L = \mathfrak{S}_{\{x < -M\}}, \quad \mathfrak{S}_{\mathcal{S}} = \mathfrak{S}_{\{-M \le x \le M\}}, \quad \mathfrak{S}_R = \mathfrak{S}_{\{x > M\}}$$

6.3 Dynamics

• local XY Hamiltonian $H_{\Lambda} = \sum_{X \subset \Lambda} \Phi(X)$, interaction $\Phi : X \to \mathfrak{S}_X$:

$$\Phi(X) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2}\lambda\sigma_3^{(x)}, & X = \{x\}, \\ -\frac{1}{4}\{(1+\gamma)\sigma_1^{(x)}\sigma_1^{(x+1)} + (1-\gamma)\sigma_2^{(x)}\sigma_2^{(x+1)}\}, & X = \{x, x+1\}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

thermodynamic limit of local perturbed dynamics:

$$\tau^t_{\Lambda}(A) = e^{itH_{\Lambda}}Ae^{-itH_{\Lambda}}, \quad \tau^t = \lim_{\Lambda \to \mathbb{Z}} \tau^t_{\Lambda}$$

exists since interaction short range, two-body \Rightarrow defines perturbed C*-dynamical system (\mathfrak{S}, τ)

• free dynamics from local perturbation $V = \Phi(\{-M-1, -M\}) + \Phi(\{M, M+1\}) \Rightarrow \text{defines free } C^*\text{-dynamical system } (\mathfrak{S}, \tau_0)$ $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}_L \otimes \mathfrak{S}_S \otimes \mathfrak{S}_R, \quad \tau_0^t = \tau_L^t \otimes \tau_S^t \otimes \tau_R^t$

6.4 Jordan-Wigner transformation [Jordan-Wigner 28], [Araki 84]

$$a_x := TS^{(x)}(\sigma_1^{(x)} - i\sigma_2^{(x)})/2, \quad S^{(x)} = \begin{cases} \sigma_3^{(1)} \cdots \sigma_3^{(x-1)}, & x > 1\\ & 1, & x = 1\\ & \sigma_3^{(x)} \cdots \sigma_3^{(0)}, & x < 1 \end{cases}$$

CAR $\mathfrak{A}(\mathfrak{h})$ with $\mathfrak{h} = \ell^2(\mathbb{Z})$: $\{a_x, a_y\} = 0$ and $\{a_x, a_y^*\} = \delta_{xy}$ (*T* for *two*-sided chain) • interaction becomes quadratic

$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2}\lambda(2a_x^*a_x - 1), & X = \{x\} \\ \frac{1}{2}\{a_x^*a_{x+1} + a_{x+1}^*a_x + \gamma(a_x^*a_{x+1}^* + a_{x+1}a_x)\}, & X = \{x, x+1\} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

• dynamics become Bogoliubov automorphisms

$$\tau^t(B(f)) = B(e^{\mathsf{i}th}f), \quad \tau^t_0(B(f)) = B(e^{\mathsf{i}th_0}f)$$

[Araki 71] self-dual CAR: $B(f) = a^*(f_1) + a(\overline{f_2})$ for $f = (f_1, f_2) \in \mathfrak{h}^{\oplus 2}$

• 1-particle Hamiltonians Fourier variable ξ , V (self-dual) 2nd quantization of v

$$h = (\cos \xi - \lambda) \otimes \sigma_3 + \gamma \sin \xi \otimes \sigma_2, \quad h_0 = h - v = h_L \oplus h_S \oplus h_R$$

6.5 Existence and uniqueness of NESS

Theorem

Let $\beta_L, \beta_R > 0$, $M \in \mathbb{N}$. Then:

$$\Sigma_+(\omega_0) = \{\omega_+\}$$

Proof

• [Araki 84] $\beta_L = \beta_R \equiv \beta$: ω_+ unique (τ, β) -KMS (RTE)

• [Kato-Birman] time dependent scattering theory for trace class type perturbations: $1_{ac}(h) = 1$, $v \in \mathcal{L}^0$ $\Rightarrow W_{\pm}(h, h_0) = s - \lim_{t \to \pm \infty} e^{ith} e^{-ith_0} 1_{ac}(h_0)$ exist and are complete completeness: $\operatorname{ran} W_{\pm}(h, h_0) = \mathfrak{h}^{(ac)}$ (isometricity and intertwining)

$$\gamma_{+}(B(f)) = \lim_{t \to \infty} \tau_{0}^{-t}(\tau^{t}(B(f))) = \lim_{t \to \infty} B(e^{-ith_{0}}e^{ith}f) = B(W_{-}^{*}f)$$
$$\Rightarrow \omega_{+} = \omega_{0} \circ \gamma_{+} \text{ quasifree NESS}$$

6.6 NESS density

Theorem

 ω_+ has 2-point function $\omega_+(B^*(f)B(g)) = (f, T_+g)$ with density

$$T_{+} = (1 + e^{-k_{+}})^{-1}, \quad k_{+} = (\beta + \delta \operatorname{sign} v_{-}) h$$

 v_- asymptotic velocity, $eta=(eta_R+eta_L)/2$ and $\delta=(eta_R-eta_L)/2$

Proof

•
$$\omega_+ = \omega_0 \circ \gamma_+ \Rightarrow T_+ = W_- T_0 W_-^*$$

• partial wave operators w_{lpha} , asymptotic projections P_{lpha}

 $j_{\alpha} \colon \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}) \otimes \mathbb{C}^2 \to \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}_{\alpha}) \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$, $\alpha = L, R$: canonical projections

$$w_{\alpha}^{*} = \underset{t \to -\infty}{s-\lim} e^{ith_{\alpha}} j_{\alpha} e^{-ith}, \quad P_{\alpha} = \underset{t \to -\infty}{s-\lim} e^{ith} j_{\alpha}^{*} j_{\alpha} e^{-ith}$$

[Kato-Birman], [Davies-Simon] \Rightarrow existence and completeness of P_{α} , and $W_{-}^{*} = \sum_{\alpha \in \{L,R\}} j_{\alpha}^{*} W_{\alpha}^{*}, h_{\alpha} W_{\alpha}^{*} = W_{\alpha}^{*} h, P_{\alpha} = W_{\alpha} W_{\alpha}^{*}, P_{L} + P_{R} = I, [P_{\alpha}, h] = 0$

- ω_0 quasifree with density $T_0 = (1 + e^{-k_0})^{-1}$, $k_0 = \beta_L h_L \oplus 0 \oplus \beta_R h_R$ $T_+ = (1 + e^{k_+})^{-1}$, $k_+ = \beta h + \delta \underbrace{(P_R - P_L)}_{= \text{ sign } v_-} h$
- $v_- = \text{s-res-lim}_{t \to \infty} x_t/t$ strong resolvent sense, $x = -i\partial_{\xi} \otimes 1$, $x_t = e^{-ith} x e^{ith}$
- explicitely computable:

$$\operatorname{sign} v_{-} = \operatorname{sign}(2\lambda \sin \xi - (1 - \gamma^2) \sin 2\xi) \sqrt{(\cos \xi - \lambda)^2 + \gamma^2 \sin^2 \xi} \otimes \sigma_0$$

Fourier variable ξ

Remarks

• since $k_+ = \beta_L h P_L \oplus \beta_R h P_R$, NESS ω_+ describes mixture of two independent species: "left-movers" from ran P_R carry β_R , "right-movers" from ran P_L carry β_L

• further properties: ω_+ is attractive, independent of M, translation invariant, factor, modular, quasifree, KMS iff $\beta_L = \beta_R$, singular w.r.t. ω_0

Does ω_+ have nontrivial thermodynamics in the sense that its entropy production is strictly positive?

6.7 Entropy production

entropy production in the open system:

$$\mathsf{Ep}(\omega_{+}) = \beta_L \, \omega_{+}(\Phi_L) + \beta_R \, \omega_{+}(\Phi_R)$$

$$\Phi_L = -i[H, H_L], \ \Phi_R = -i[H, H_R]: \text{ heat fluxes } \mathbb{Z}_L, \ \mathbb{Z}_R \to \mathbb{Z}_S$$

Theorem

$$\mathsf{Ep}(\omega_{+}) = \frac{\delta}{4} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{\mathrm{d}\xi}{2\pi} |\kappa| \frac{\mathrm{sh}\,\delta\mu}{\mathrm{ch}^{2}(\beta\mu/2) + \mathrm{sh}^{2}(\delta\mu/2)} > 0 \text{ iff } \beta_{L} \neq \beta_{R}$$
$$\kappa(\xi) = 2\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{h} = 2\lambda \sin\xi - (1 - \gamma^{2}) \sin 2\xi \text{ and } \mu(\xi) = \sqrt{(\cos\xi - \lambda)^{2} + \gamma^{2} \sin^{2}\xi}$$

Proof explicit computation! □

Remark

• first rigorous application of Ruelle's scattering approach to a thermodynamically nontrivial system

7. Further applications

7.1 Quasifree fermionic systems [A-Jakšić-Pautrat-Pillet 07]

NESS interaction of trace class type, no singular continuous spectrum initial state τ_0^t -invariant and quasifree with density ϱ_0 : $\omega_+(d\Gamma(c)) = tr(\varrho_+c)$ with $\varrho_+ = W_- \varrho_0 W_-^* + \sum_{\varepsilon \in \sigma_{pp}(h)} 1_{\varepsilon}(h) \varrho_0 1_{\varepsilon}(h)$

Landauer-Büttiker formalism derives from Ruelle's approach: $\omega_{+}(\Phi_{q}) = \int_{\sigma_{\rm ac}(h_{0})} \frac{\mathrm{d}\varepsilon}{2\pi} \operatorname{tr}(\varrho_{0}(\varepsilon)[q(\varepsilon) - S^{*}(\varepsilon)q(\varepsilon)S(\varepsilon)])$

- \Rightarrow Landauer Büttiker formula
- \Rightarrow entropy production
- \Rightarrow kinetic transport koefficients, Onsager relations

7.2 Weak coupling theory [A-Spohn 06]

Entropy production algebraic criterion which ensures strict positivity in the weak coupling limit:

$$\{H_{\mathcal{S}}, Q_j\}' = \mathbb{C}1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathsf{Ep}(\omega_+^{\lambda}) = \lambda^2 \sigma(\rho_0) + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) > 0$$

7.3 Correlations [A-Barbaroux 06], [A 07]

Spatial spin-spin correlations decay rate out of equilibrium: spectral condition on quasifree density implies exponential decay break translation invariance [A in progress] von Neumann entropy density asymptotic behavior: "left-movers" and "right-movers"

7.4 More...

intermediate times, interacting systems, phase transitions, symmetries, fluctuations,...