

Master Fields, Drift and Dispersion in the Stochastic Limit of Quantum Theory

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Abstract. This work is a detailed study of the convergence of the rescaled creation and annihilation densities, which lead to the master fields, and the form of the drift in the stochastic limit of quantum theory. The approach, based on the distributional theory of Fourier transforms, dispenses with the “analytical condition” and other restrictions usually considered and also establishes the dependence of the stochastic golden rules upon the dispersion function of the quantum field.

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1. Introduction

The *stochastic golden rules* [1, 2], which arise in the stochastic limit of quantum theory as natural generalizations of the Fermi golden rule, provide a natural tool to associate a stochastic flow to any discrete system interacting with a quantum field. In the limit the field looks like a very chaotic object: a *quantum white noise*, i.e a δ -correlated (in time) quantum field also called *master field*. The new evolution is an approximation of the original one which preserves much nontrivial information on the original complex system related to its decay and shift properties.

In this work we study, from an analytical point of view, the convergence of the rescaled creation and annihilation densities, which lead to the master fields, and the form of the drift term of the stochastic Schrödinger equation obtained in such limit, which contains the quantum mechanical fluctuation-dissipation relations. This approach permit us to dispense with the *analytical condition* and other restrictions usually considered –see Section 2– and also to establish the dependence

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of the stochastic golden rules on certain properties of the dispersion function of the quantum field. To be precise, we shall see that, for the region where the dispersion function is regular and not constant, say Γ_1 , every Bohr frequency of the system in its range gives rise to an independent master field, which is a quantum white noise concentrated on the corresponding resonant surface, whereas both the rest of Bohr frequencies and the open regions where the dispersion function is constant, say Γ_{α_j} , give rise to zero master fields, except for the resonant case, see Theorem 1. In a similar way we will show that the regions Γ_{α_j} do not contribute to the drift term whenever the resonant case is not present, whereas for the region Γ_1 we obtain the usual expression with an expected additional factor, see Theorem 3. The contribution of the singular regions of dispersion varies in each case and is not completely understood yet, see Proposition 2 and Remark 7.

The paper is organized as follows. The basic facts about the stochastic limit of quantum theory are introduced in Section 2. Section 3 describes the type of dispersion functions under study. Section 4 contains the results concerning the convergence of the rescaled creation and annihilation densities leading the master fields. The drift term of the normally ordered white noise Schrödinger equation derived from the stochastic limit is obtained in Section 5. Proofs and technical remarks are collected in Section 6. An Appendix at the end includes some of the conventions and results used in the paper.

2. Preliminaries

In what follows we shall consider quantum systems describing the interaction of a discrete spectrum system S with free Hamiltonian

$$H_S := \sum_r \varepsilon_r P_{\varepsilon_r}$$

and *Bohr frequencies* $\omega = \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_{r'}$, ($\varepsilon_r, \varepsilon_{r'} \in \text{Spec } H_S$), and a bosonic quantum field as reservoir R with free Hamiltonian (on Fock space)

$$H_R := \int dk \omega(k) a^\dagger(k) a(k),$$

where $\omega(k)$ is the *dispersion function*, $a^\pm(k)$ are the creation and annihilation densities, and the reference vector is mean zero Gaussian and gauge invariant, with covariance of the form

$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} a^\dagger(k)a(k') & 0 \\ 0 & a(k')a^\dagger(k) \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} N(k) & 0 \\ 0 & N(k) + 1 \end{pmatrix} \delta(k - k'). \quad (1)$$

We will assume that the total Hamiltonian has the form

$$H^{(\lambda)} := H_0 + \lambda H_I = H_S + H_R + \lambda H_I,$$

where λ is a real coupling parameter and the interaction Hamiltonian H_I is of *dipole type*, i.e.¹

$$H_I = \sum_j \left(D_j^* \otimes A(g_j) + D_j \otimes A^*(g_j) \right),$$

where D_j are system operators and

$$A^*(g_j) := \int dk g_j(k) a^+(k), \quad A(g_j) := \int dk g^*(k) a(k),$$

the functions g_j being the *cutoff* or *form factors*. Often we will simplify the notations by omitting the symbol \otimes .

In the *stochastic limit approach* we consider the time rescaling $t \rightarrow t/\lambda^2$ in the solution $U_t^{(\lambda)} = e^{itH_0} e^{-itH^{(\lambda)}}$ of the Schrödinger equation in interaction picture:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} U_t^{(\lambda)} = -i\lambda H_I(t) U_t^{(\lambda)}, \quad H_I(t) = e^{itH_0} H_I e^{-itH_0},$$

and study the limits, in a topology to be specified, of the rescaled interaction Hamiltonian and of the rescaled propagator:

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} H_I \left(\frac{t}{\lambda^2} \right) =: h_t, \quad \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} U_{t/\lambda^2}^{(\lambda)} =: U_t.$$

In *canonical form* this reduces to find the limit of the *rescaled creation and annihilation densities*

$$a_{\lambda, \omega}^{\pm}(t, k) := \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{\mp i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega(k) - \omega)} a^{\pm}(k), \quad (2)$$

obtaining the white noise Schrödinger equation $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} U_t = -ih_t U_t$, whose normally ordered form is the quantum stochastic differential equation

$$dU_t = (-idH(t) - Gdt)U_t, \quad (3)$$

where $dH(t)$ is called the *martingale term* and

$$Gdt := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 \int_t^{t_1} dt_2 \langle H_I \left(\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} \right) H_I \left(\frac{t_2}{\lambda^2} \right) \rangle \quad (4)$$

is known as the *drift term*.

Among the assumptions to achieve this program it is usual to consider the following ones:

¹ The asterisk * denotes the Hermitian conjugate for operators and the complex conjugate for scalars. For distributional densities we use the symbol + instead *.

- the cut-off functions g_j are Schwartz functions;
- the dispersion function $\omega(k)$ and the cut-off functions g_j are related by the following *analytical condition*:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} dt |\langle g_i, e^{it\omega(p)} g_j \rangle| = \int_{\mathbb{R}} dt \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} dk e^{it\omega(k)} g_i^*(k) g_j(k) \right| < +\infty;$$

- the $(d - 1)$ -dimensional Lebesgue measure of the surface $\{k : \omega(k) = 0\}$ is equal to zero (this implies, in particular $\delta(\omega(k)) = 0$).

The techniques applied in this work, based on the distributional theory of Fourier transforms [3, 4, 5], permit us to dispense with the above conditions and to establish the dependence of the stochastic golden rules on certain properties of the dispersion function $\omega(k)$.

3. The Dispersion Function

In what follows we shall assume that the dispersion function $\mathbb{R}^d \ni k \mapsto \omega(k) \in \mathbb{R}$ is such that $\omega(k) \geq 0$ for all $k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and we can write

$$\mathbb{R}^d = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3,$$

where:

- (i) Γ_1 is an open set of \mathbb{R}^d in which $\omega(k)$ is a C^∞ -function and $\nabla\omega(k) \neq 0$ for every $k \in \Gamma_1$. We shall denote by Γ_1^1 the range of the restriction of $\omega(k)$ to Γ_1 , i.e.

$$\Gamma_1^1 := \text{Rang}(\omega|_{\Gamma_1}),$$

and assume that the boundary $\partial\Gamma_1^1$ of Γ_1^1 has Lebesgue measure zero.

- (ii) $\Gamma_2 = \cup \Gamma_{\alpha_j}$, being Γ_{α_j} an open subset of \mathbb{R}^d where the dispersion function $\omega(k)$ is constant and equal to α_j , i.e.

$$\omega(k) = \alpha_j, \quad \forall k \in \Gamma_{\alpha_j}.$$

- (iii) $\Gamma_3 = \mathbb{R}^d \setminus (\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2)$, that is Γ_3 contains the boundaries of Γ_1 and Γ_2 and other possible regions of singular points of the dispersion function $\omega(k)$.

4. Convergence of the Rescaled Densities

Let us study the convergence, *in the sense of correlators*, of the rescaled creation and annihilation densities given in Eq.(2). To simplify the notation we restrict our attention to the vacuum reference vector, so that $N(k) = 0$ (see Eq.(1)). The extension of the results to the general case is immediate. Moreover, because of the mean zero Gaussianity, we have only to prove the convergence, in the sense of Schwartz distributions [4], of the covariance

$$\langle a_{\lambda,\omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda,\omega'}^+(t', k') \rangle = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} e^{-i\frac{t-t'}{\lambda^2}(\omega(k)-\omega) + i\frac{t'}{\lambda^2}(\omega-\omega')} \delta(k - k'),$$

i.e. we must calculate, for any Schwartz test functions ϕ, φ, f and g ,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int dt dt' dk dk' \phi(t) \varphi(t') f(k) g(k') \langle a_{\lambda,\omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda,\omega'}^+(t', k') \rangle.$$

The following theorem shows that, on Γ_1 , every Bohr frequency ω in the open range Γ_1^1 of the dispersion function gives rise to an independent master field, which is a quantum white noise concentrated over the resonant surface $\omega(k) - \omega = 0$, and the rest of Bohr frequencies give rise to zero master fields –notice the factor $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1-}$, while, on the open regions Γ_{α_j} where the dispersion function is constant, the limit does not exist in the resonant case $\alpha_j = \omega = \omega'$ and again gives rise to zero master fields otherwise.

THEOREM 1. *Under the conditions for $\omega(k)$ given in Section 3, in the sense of Schwartz distributions, i.e. in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^{2d+2})$:*

(a) *Over Γ_1 , if ω doesn't belong to the boundary $\partial\Gamma_1^1$ of Γ_1^1 ,*

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \langle a_{\lambda,\omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda,\omega'}^+(t', k') \rangle \Big|_{\Gamma_1} = \delta_{\omega,\omega'} 2\pi \delta(t-t') \delta(k-k') \delta(\omega(k)-\omega) \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega).$$

(b) *Over each Γ_{α_j} ,*

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \langle a_{\lambda,\omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda,\omega'}^+(t', k') \rangle \Big|_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} = \begin{cases} \text{doesn't exist,} & \text{if } \alpha_j = \omega = \omega', \\ 0, & \text{if } \alpha_j \neq \omega \text{ or } \alpha_j \neq \omega'. \end{cases}$$

The proof of this result (given in Section 6) casts some light on the resonant case $\alpha_j = \omega = \omega'$ of item (b): Over each Γ_{α_j} the final expression in our calculations is²

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2} \right) \varphi^\wedge \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega'}{\lambda^2} \right) \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k) g(k) =$$

² See Appendix A for notation and conventions.

$$= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee(0) \varphi^\wedge(0) \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k),$$

which is equal to zero when $\phi^\vee(0) = 0$ or $\varphi^\wedge(0) = 0$, or $\pm\infty$ otherwise. Thus, if we restrict our attention to test functions with zero mean in time, the limit also exists in this case and is equal to zero.

What happens over Γ_3 or when $\omega \in \partial\Gamma_1^1$? As Proposition 2 shows below, the answer depends on the dispersion function. Indeed, let us consider dispersion functions of the form

$$\omega(k) = |k|^\mu, \quad \mu > 0, \quad (5)$$

for which $\Gamma_1 = \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}$, $\Gamma_2 = \emptyset$, $\Gamma_3 = \{0\}$, $\Gamma_1^1 = (0, \infty)$ and $\partial\Gamma_1^1 = \{0\}$, so that the frequency of interest is $\omega = 0$. We obtain in this case:

PROPOSITION 2. *For dispersion functions of the form (5),*

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \langle a_{\lambda, \omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda, \omega'}^\dagger(t', k') \rangle &= \\ &= \begin{cases} \delta_{\omega, \omega'} 2\pi \delta(t - t') \delta(k - k') \delta(\omega(k) - \omega), & \text{if } \omega > 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } \omega < 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \langle a_{\lambda, \omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda, \omega'}^\dagger(t', k') \rangle \Big|_{\omega=0} &= \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } d - \mu > 0, \\ \delta_{\omega, \omega'} \frac{2\pi^{d/2+1}}{\Gamma(d/2)} \delta(t - t') \delta(k - k') \delta(k), & \text{if } d - \mu = 0. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

(For $\omega = 0$ and $d - \mu < 0$ our techniques do not give an answer.)

5. The Drift

As Eq.(4) shows, the *drift term* Gdt in the stochastic Schrödinger equation given in Eq.(3) is the limit of the expectation value in the reservoir state of the second term in the iterated series solution for the rescaled Schrödinger equation in interaction picture.

In the following theorem we show that the open region Γ_2 does not contribute to the drift term whenever the resonant case $\alpha_k = \omega$ is not present, whereas for the region Γ_1 we obtain the usual expression for the drift with a $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}$ factor added. The contribution of the singular region Γ_3 to the drift has not been determined yet.

THEOREM 3. *Under the conditions for $\omega(k)$ given in Section 3 we have:*

(i) *If Γ_2 is not empty and no Bohr frequency ω of the system coincides with one of the values α_k , then the contribution of the region Γ_2 to the drift term is zero, whereas if any of the Bohr frequencies ω of the system coincides with one of the values α_k , then G does not exist.*

(ii) *Otherwise*

$$G = \sum_{ij} \sum_{\omega} \left((g_i|g_j)_{\omega}^{-} E_{\omega}^*(D_i) E_{\omega}(D_j) + (g_i|g_j)_{\omega}^{+} E_{\omega}(D_i) E_{\omega}^*(D_j) + \right. \\ \left. + \text{The part corresponding to the singular region } \Gamma_3 \right),$$

where, for each Bohr frequency ω , the $E_{\omega}(D_j)$ are system operators defined by

$$E_{\omega}(D_j) := \sum_{\varepsilon_r \in F_{\omega}} P_{\varepsilon_r - \omega} D_j P_{\varepsilon_r},$$

$$F_{\omega} := \{\varepsilon_r \in \text{Spec } H_S : \varepsilon_r - \omega \in \text{Spec } H_S\},$$

and the explicit forms of the constants $(g_i|g_j)_{\omega}^{\pm}$ are

$$(g_i|g_j)_{\omega}^{-} = \pi \chi_{\Gamma_1}(\omega) \int_{\Gamma_1} dk g_i^*(k) g_j(k) (N(k) + 1) \delta(\omega(k) - \omega) - \\ -i \text{ P.P. } \int_{\Gamma_1} dk g_i^*(k) g_j(k) \frac{(N(k) + 1)}{\omega(k) - \omega}, \\ (g_i|g_j)_{\omega}^{+} = \pi \chi_{\Gamma_1}(\omega) \int_{\Gamma_1} dk g_i^*(k) g_j(k) N(k) \delta(\omega(k) - \omega) - \\ -i \text{ P.P. } \int_{\Gamma_1} dk g_i^*(k) g_j(k) \frac{N(k)}{\omega(k) - \omega}.$$

The constants $(g_i|g_j)_{\omega}^{\pm}$, known as *generalized susceptivities*, contain all the physical information on the original Hamiltonian system and can be considered as the prototype of quantum mechanical fluctuation-dissipation relations.

6. Proofs and Remarks

PROOF OF THEOREM 1: For any test functions ϕ , φ , f and g , we must calculate

$$I := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int dt dt' dk dk' \phi(t) \varphi(t') f(k) g(k') \langle a_{\lambda, \omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda, \omega'}^+(t', k') \rangle = \\ = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int dt dt' dk dk' \phi(t) \varphi(t') f(k) g(k') \times \\ \times \frac{1}{\lambda^2} e^{-i \frac{t-t'}{\lambda^2} (\omega(k) - \omega) + i \frac{t'}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \delta(k - k') = \\ = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int dt dt' dk \phi(t) \varphi(t') f(k) g(k) \frac{1}{\lambda^2} e^{-i \frac{t-t'}{\lambda^2} (\omega(k) - \omega) + i \frac{t'}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')}.$$

Making the change of variables $(t - t')/\lambda^2 = \sigma$, $t' = \tau$, we find

$$I = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int d\sigma d\tau dk \phi(\tau + \lambda^2 \sigma) \varphi(\tau) f(k) g(k) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} e^{-i\sigma(\omega(k) - \omega)}. \quad (8)$$

The integrand belongs to $L^1(\mathbb{R}^{d+2})$ for every $\lambda \neq 0$ and then, by Fubini's theorem, we can integrate in any order. Then, I equals

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int d\sigma \phi(\tau + \lambda^2 \sigma) e^{i\sigma\omega} \int dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)}.$$

Now, let us put

$$\begin{aligned} \int dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} &= \int_{\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2 \cup \Gamma_3} dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} = \\ &= \int_{\Gamma_1} dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} + \sum_j \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} + \\ &\quad + \int_{\Gamma_3} dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$I = I_1 + I_2 + I_3,$$

where I_j , ($j = 1, 2, 3$), corresponds to the integral over Γ_j with respect to k on I .

Over Γ_1 , using the notation given in Section 3.(i), we have (the symbol \wedge denotes the Fourier transform and the symbol \vee the inverse Fourier transform, see appendix A)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Gamma_1} dk f(k) g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} &= \int_{\Gamma_1^1} du_1 e^{i\tau u_1} \Omega_{fg}(u_1) = \\ &= \int du_1 e^{-i\sigma u_1} \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1) \Omega_{fg}(u_1) = \sqrt{2\pi} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}]^\vee(\sigma) \end{aligned}$$

and get

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{2\pi} \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int d\sigma \phi(\tau + \lambda^2 \sigma) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}]^\vee(\sigma) e^{i\sigma\omega} = \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} 2\pi \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \left[\phi(\tau + \lambda^2 \sigma) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}]^\vee(\sigma) \right]^\wedge(\omega). \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}$ satisfies the conditions of Jordan's test (Theorem 9) or Dini's test (Theorem 10) for every interior point of Γ_1^1 and is equal to zero outside of Γ_1^1 , we have

$$[\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}]^{\vee\wedge}(\omega) = [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega), \quad \omega \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \partial\Gamma_1^1.$$

On the other hand,

$$[\phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma)]^\wedge(\omega) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{\omega}{\lambda^2}\right) e^{-i\tau\frac{\omega}{\lambda^2}}.$$

Therefore, using the fact that the Fourier transform of a product is equal to the convolution of the Fourier transforms of the factors, from Eq.(9) we obtain

$$I_1 = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int dt \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{t}{\lambda^2}\right) e^{-i\tau\frac{t}{\lambda^2}} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega - t),$$

since $\partial\Gamma_1^1$ has Lebesgue measure zero.

Now, interchanging the order of integration ($\phi \chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}$ belongs to $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ for every test function ϕ),

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \int dt \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{t}{\lambda^2}\right) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega - t) \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega' - t)} = \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2}}{\lambda^2} \int dt \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{t}{\lambda^2}\right) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega - t) \varphi^\wedge\left(\frac{\omega - \omega' - t}{\lambda^2}\right) = \end{aligned}$$

(by the commutativity of the convolution)

$$= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2}}{\lambda^2} \int dt \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{\omega - t}{\lambda^2}\right) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](t) \varphi^\wedge\left(\frac{t - \omega'}{\lambda^2}\right) =$$

(taking the change of variable $t = \lambda^2\sigma$)

$$= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} (2\pi)^{3/2} \int d\sigma \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{\omega}{\lambda^2} - \sigma\right) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\lambda^2\sigma) \varphi^\wedge\left(\sigma - \frac{\omega'}{\lambda^2}\right) =$$

(taking the change of variable $\sigma - \frac{\omega'}{\lambda^2} = \tau$)

$$= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} (2\pi)^{3/2} \int d\tau \phi^\wedge\left(\frac{\omega - \omega'}{\lambda^2} - \tau\right) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\lambda^2\tau + \omega') \varphi^\wedge(\tau).$$

Since $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}$ is a bounded function, we can apply the dominated convergence theorem and get:

- (1) If $\omega = \omega' \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \partial\Gamma_1^1$, since $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}$ is continuous at ω and $\phi, \varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$,

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= (2\pi)^{3/2} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega) \int d\tau \phi^\wedge(-\tau) \varphi^\wedge(\tau) = \\ &= (2\pi)^{3/2} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega) [\phi^\wedge * \varphi^\wedge](0) = \\ &= (2\pi)^{3/2} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega) [\phi\varphi]^\wedge(0) = \\ &= (2\pi)^{3/2} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}](\omega) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int dt \phi(t) \varphi(t) = \\ &= \langle 2\pi \delta(t - t') \delta(k - k') \delta(\omega(k) - \omega) \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega), f(k) g(k') \phi(t) \varphi(t') \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

(2) If $\omega \neq \omega' \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \partial\Gamma_1^1$, by Riemann-Lebesgue theorem,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \phi^\wedge \left(\frac{\omega - \omega'}{\lambda^2} - \tau \right) = 0$$

and $I_1 = 0$.

On the other hand, over Γ_2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int d\sigma \phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma) e^{i\sigma\omega} \times \\ &\times \int_{\Gamma_2} dk f(k)g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \times \\ &\times \int d\sigma \phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma) e^{i\sigma\omega} \int dk \sum_j \chi_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}}(k) f(k)g(k) e^{-i\sigma\alpha_j}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $f, g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\phi, \varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$, by the dominated convergence theorem we can interchange sum and integrals, so that I_2 equals

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \sum_j \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int d\sigma \phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma) e^{-i\sigma(\alpha_j - \omega)} \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k).$$

Taking the change of variable $\lambda^2\sigma = u$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\sigma \phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma) e^{-i\sigma(\alpha_j - \omega)} &= \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \int du \phi(\tau + u) e^{-i\frac{u}{\lambda^2}(\alpha_j - \omega)} = \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2} \right) e^{i\tau \frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, I_2 equals

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \sum_j \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2} \right) \int d\tau \varphi(\tau) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\alpha_j - \omega')} \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k) &= \\ = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \sum_j \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2} \right) \varphi^\wedge \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega'}{\lambda^2} \right) \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k). \end{aligned}$$

Term by term we have:

(1) If $\alpha_j = \omega = \omega'$,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2} \right) \varphi^\wedge \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega'}{\lambda^2} \right) \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k) &= \\ = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee(0) \varphi^\wedge(0) \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k), \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to zero when $\phi^\vee(0) = 0$ or $\varphi^\wedge(0) = 0$, or $\pm\infty$ otherwise. Thus, the corresponding limit in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^{2d+2})$ doesn't exist.

- (2) If $\alpha_j \neq \omega$ or $\alpha_j \neq \omega'$, since $\phi, \varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$, by Riemann-Lebesgue theorem,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\pi}{\lambda^2} \phi^\vee \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega}{\lambda^2} \right) \varphi^\wedge \left(\frac{\alpha_j - \omega'}{\lambda^2} \right) \int_{\Gamma_{\alpha_j}} dk f(k)g(k) = 0.$$

This concludes the proof. \blacksquare

REMARK 4. Let us consider the expression

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int d\sigma d\tau dk \beta_\lambda(\sigma, \tau, k). \quad (10)$$

A Vitali theorem says that we can interchange limit and integral in (10) if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a compact set $K_\epsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^{d+2}$ such that, for all $\lambda \in (0, \epsilon_0)$,

$$(i) \int_{K_\epsilon} d\sigma d\tau dk |\beta_\lambda(\sigma, \tau, k)| < \epsilon,$$

$$(ii) |\beta_\lambda(\sigma, \tau, k)| < c, \forall (\sigma, \tau, k) \in K_\epsilon,$$

where ϵ_0 and c are two fixed positive constants.

Can we apply this Vitali theorem to study the expression for I given in Eq.(8), i.e. when

$$\beta_\lambda(\sigma, \tau, k) = \phi(\tau + \lambda^2 \sigma) \varphi(\tau) f(k) g(k) e^{i\frac{\tau}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} e^{-i\sigma(\omega(k) - \omega)}?$$

In this case the condition (ii) is clearly satisfied since

$$|\beta_\lambda(\sigma, \tau, k)| \leq \|\phi\|_\infty \|\varphi\|_\infty \|fg\|_\infty, \quad \forall (\sigma, \tau, k) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+2}.$$

But the answer to the question is in general negative because, as regards condition (i), we can assume, without loss of generality, that

$$K_\epsilon = [a, b] \times [a', b'] \times \overline{B}(0, r) \subset \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d,$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} K_\epsilon^c &= [a, b]^c \times [a', b'] \times \overline{B}(0, r) \cup [a, b] \times [a', b']^c \times \overline{B}(0, r) \cup \\ &\cup [a, b] \times [a', b'] \times \overline{B}(0, r)^c \cup [a, b]^c \times [a', b']^c \times \overline{B}(0, r) \cup \\ &\cup [a, b]^c \times [a', b'] \times \overline{B}(0, r)^c \cup [a, b] \times [a', b']^c \times \overline{B}(0, r)^c \cup \\ &\cup [a, b]^c \times [a', b']^c \times \overline{B}(0, r)^c \end{aligned}$$

and then

$$\int_{K_\epsilon^c} d\sigma d\tau dk |\beta_\lambda(\sigma, \tau, k)| =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{([a,b] \times [a',b'] \times \overline{B}(0,r))^c} d\sigma d\tau dk |\phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma)\varphi(\tau)f(k)g(k)| = \\
&= \int_{[a,b]^c \times [a',b']} d\sigma d\tau |\phi(\tau + \lambda^2\sigma)\varphi(\tau)| \int_{\overline{B}(0,r)} dk |f(k)g(k)| + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

But one cannot find K_ϵ such that this first integral verifies (ii) for every $\lambda \in (0, \epsilon_0)$.

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 2: Eq.(6) is just Theorem 1.(a) for this particular case, for which we can take as new variables

$$u_1 = \omega(k), u_2 = \theta_1, \dots, u_d = \theta_{d-1},$$

where $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{d-1}$ are the usual angles in spherical coordinates, so that

$$\int dk f(k)g(k) e^{-i\sigma\omega(k)} = \int_0^\infty du_1 e^{-i\sigma u_1} \frac{u_1^{d/\mu-1}}{\mu} \int_{S_{u_1^{1/\mu}}} d\sigma_{S_1} f(u)g(u).$$

being $S_{u_1^{1/\mu}}$ the sphere centered at the origin with radius $u_1^{1/\mu}$ and $d\sigma_{S_1}$ the Euclidean element of surface for the sphere S_1 . That is, with the notation used in the proof of Theorem 1.(a),

$$\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1)\Omega_{fg}(u_1) = \chi_{(0,\infty)}(u_1) \frac{u_1^{d/\mu-1}}{\mu} \int_{S_{u_1^{1/\mu}}} d\sigma_{S_1} f(u)g(u).$$

What happens for $\omega = 0$? Since

$$\lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0} \int_{S_{u_1^{1/\mu}}} d\sigma_{S_1} f(u)g(u) = f(0)g(0) \int_{S_1} d\sigma_{S_1},$$

the function on $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_{fg}$ is continuous at $u_1 = 0$ iff

$$\lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0} u_1^{d/\mu-1} f(u)g(u) = \lim_{|k| \rightarrow 0} |k|^{d-\mu} f(k)g(k) = 0.$$

This will be the case for every test functions f, g , iff $d - \mu > 0$, so that

$$\left[\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_{fg} \right]^{\vee \wedge} (0) = \left[\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_{fg} \right] (0) = 0.$$

Then, reasoning as in proof of Theorem 1.(a) we get

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \langle a_{\lambda,\omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda,\omega}^+(t', k') \rangle \Big|_{\omega=0} = 0, \quad \text{if } d - \mu > 0.$$

When $d - \mu = 0$, the function $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}$ is not continuous at $u_1 = 0$, but the lateral limits exist and are finite: ³

$$\lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0^-} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}] (u_1) = 0,$$

$$\lim_{u_1 \rightarrow 0^+} [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}] (u_1) = f(0)g(0) \int_{S_1} d\sigma_{S_1} = f(0)g(0) \frac{2\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)}.$$

Then, by Jordan's test (Theorem 9), $[\chi_{\Gamma_1^1} \Omega_{fg}]^{\vee \wedge}(0)$ is the mean value of the two lateral limits, so that

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \langle a_{\lambda, \omega}(t, k) a_{\lambda, \omega}^+(t', k') \rangle \Big|_{\omega=0} = \frac{2\pi^{d/2+1}}{\Gamma(d/2)} \delta_{\omega, \omega'} \delta(t - t') \delta(k - k') \delta(k),$$

if $d - \mu = 0$. ■

PROOF OF THEOREM 3: Let us introduce the set of energy differences (*Bohr frequencies*)

$$F := \{\omega = \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon_{r'} : \varepsilon_r, \varepsilon_{r'} \in \text{Spec } H_S\}$$

and, for each $\omega \in F$, the set

$$\begin{aligned} F_\omega &:= \{\varepsilon_r \in \text{Spec } H_S : \varepsilon_r - \omega \in \text{Spec } H_S\} \\ &:= \{\varepsilon_r \in \text{Spec } H_S : \exists \varepsilon'_r \in \text{Spec } H_S, \varepsilon_r - \varepsilon'_r = \omega\}. \end{aligned}$$

With this notation the rescaled interaction Hamiltonian in its *canonical form* can be rewritten as

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} H_I(t/\lambda^2) := \sum_j \sum_{\omega \in F} E_\omega^*(D_j) \int dk g_j^*(k) a_{\lambda, \omega}(t, k) + \text{h.c.}, \quad (11)$$

where we have introduced the operators

$$E_\omega(D_j) := \sum_{\varepsilon_r \in F_\omega} P_{\varepsilon_r - \omega} D_j P_{\varepsilon_r}$$

and the rescaled creation and annihilation densities $a_{\lambda, \omega}^\pm(t, k)$ are given in Eq.(2). From Eq.(11) and Eq.(1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \langle H_I \left(\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} \right) H_I \left(\frac{t_2}{\lambda^2} \right) \rangle &= \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \sum_{ij} \sum_{\omega, \omega' \in F} \left\{ \int dk g_i^*(k) g_j(k) \times \right. \\ &\quad \times \left(e^{i \left(\frac{t_2 - t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega(k) - \omega) + \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega') \right)} N(k) + 1 \right) E_{\omega'}^*(D_i) E_\omega(D_j) + \\ &\quad \left. + \int dk g_i(k) g_j^*(k) e^{-i \left(\frac{t_2 - t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega(k) - \omega) + \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega') \right)} N(k) E_{\omega'}(D_i) E_\omega^*(D_j) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

³ The area of the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^d is $\int_{S_1} d\sigma_{S_1} = \frac{2\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)}$. Recall that, for $d \in \mathbb{N}$, one has $\Gamma(d+1) = d!$ and $\Gamma(d + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{(2d)!}{2^{2d} d!} \sqrt{\pi}$.

Making in Eq.(4) the change of variables $\tau = (t_2 - t_1)/\lambda^2$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \sum_{ij} \sum_{\omega, \omega' \in F} & \left\{ \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{i\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \int dk g_i^*(k) g_j(k) \times \right. \\ & \times e^{i\tau(\omega(k) - \omega)} (N(k) + 1) E_{\omega'}^*(D_i) E_{\omega}(D_j) + \\ & + \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{-i\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \int dk g_i(k) g_j^*(k) \times \\ & \left. \times e^{-i\tau(\omega(k) - \omega)} N(k) E_{\omega'}(D_i) E_{\omega}^*(D_j) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Now the result comes from Lemmas 5 and 6 below. Some insights about the contribution of the singular region Γ_3 are given in Remark 7. ■

LEMMA 5. *Under the conditions for $\omega(k)$ given in Section 3, for every $\omega, \omega' \in \mathbb{R}$ we have that, in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$,*⁴

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \chi_{\Gamma_1}(k) e^{\pm i\tau(\omega(k) - \omega)} = \\ = \delta(\omega - \omega') \chi_{\Gamma_1}(k) \left[\pi \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega) \delta(\omega(k) - \omega) \mp i P.P. \frac{1}{\omega(k) - \omega} \right], \end{aligned}$$

that is, for any test function $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \int_{\Gamma_1} dk e^{\pm i\tau(\omega(k) - \omega)} f(k) = \\ \begin{cases} \pi \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega) \int_{\Gamma_1} dk \delta(\omega(k) - \omega) f(k) \mp i P.P. \int_{\Gamma_1} dk \frac{f(k)}{\omega(k) - \omega}, & \text{if } \omega = \omega', \\ 0, & \text{if } \omega \neq \omega'. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 6. *Under the conditions for $\omega(k)$ given in Section 3, suppose that the open set Γ_α , where $\omega(k)$ is constant and equal to α , is not empty. Then, for every $\omega, \omega' \in \mathbb{R}$, we have that, in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$,*

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \chi_{\Gamma_\alpha}(k) e^{\pm i\tau(\omega(k) - \omega)} = 0,$$

that is, for any test function $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i\frac{t_1}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \int_{\Gamma_\alpha} dk e^{\pm i\tau(\omega(k) - \omega)} f(k) = 0.$$

⁴ These formulas are correct whether if we consider a bilinear dual pair $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, i.e. $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f g$, or if the dual pair $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is antilinear on the left and linear on the right, i.e. $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f^* g$.

REMARK 7. Under the conditions for $\omega(k)$ given in Section 3, assume that Γ_3 is a $d - 1$ dimensional regular surface which is the boundary of two open regions Γ_{α_1} and Γ_{α_2} (subsets of Γ_2) and such that

$$\omega(k) = \beta, \quad \forall k \in \Gamma_3.$$

For each $\epsilon > 0$ consider an open region $\Gamma_\epsilon \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ such that

- (i) $\Gamma_3 \subset \Gamma_{\epsilon_1} \subset \Gamma_{\epsilon_2}$ if $\epsilon_1 < \epsilon_2$,
- (ii) $\Gamma_3 = \bigcap_{\epsilon > 0} \Gamma_\epsilon$,

and, on each Γ_ϵ , replace $\omega(k)$ by a regular function $\omega_\epsilon(k)$ in such a way that, in some sense,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \omega_\epsilon = \omega.$$

Now, for $\omega, \omega' \in \mathbb{R}$, let us study the following limit in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$:

$$F := \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \chi_{\Gamma_\epsilon}(k) e^{\pm i \tau (\omega_\epsilon(k) - \omega)}.$$

Clearly, if our choice is $\omega_\epsilon(k) = c$ for every $k \in \Gamma_\epsilon$ and $\epsilon > 0$, then, by Proposition 6, $F = 0$ or F doesn't exist. On the other hand, if the functions ω_ϵ are such that we can apply Proposition 5 on Γ_ϵ , then

$$F = \delta(\omega - \omega') \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \chi_{\Gamma_\epsilon}(k) \left[\pi \chi_{\Gamma_\epsilon^1}(\omega) \delta(\omega_\epsilon(k) - \omega) \mp i \text{P.P.} \frac{1}{\omega_\epsilon(k) - \omega} \right],$$

but this limit depends on the form of the functions ω_ϵ . In particular, the limit depends on $\Gamma_\epsilon^1 := \text{Rang}(\omega_\epsilon|_{\Gamma_\epsilon})$.

PROOF OF LEMMA 5: The factor $\delta(\omega - \omega')$ comes from

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} &= \\ &= \begin{cases} t_1 \Big|_{t_1=t}^{t_1=t+dt} = dt, & \text{if } \omega = \omega', \\ \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \lambda^2 \frac{e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')}}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \Big|_{t_1=t}^{t_1=t+dt} = 0, & \text{if } \omega \neq \omega', \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \lambda^2 \frac{e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')}}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \Big|_{t_1=t}^{t_1=t+dt} &= \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \frac{\lambda^2}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} (e^{\pm i \frac{dt}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} - 1) = \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \frac{\lambda^2}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \frac{d}{dt} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \Big|_{t=0} dt = \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} dt = 0 \quad (\text{by Lemma 8}). \end{aligned}$$

Using the notation given in Section 3.(i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^0 d\tau \int_{\Gamma_1} dk e^{i\tau(\omega(k)-\omega)} f(k) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 d\tau \int_{\Gamma_1^1} du_1 e^{i\tau(u_1-\omega)} \Omega_f(u_1) = \\ &= \int d\tau e^{-i\tau\omega} \theta(-\tau) \int du_1 e^{i\tau u_1} \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1) \Omega_f(u_1), \end{aligned}$$

where θ is the Heaviside function. To analyze the last expression assume that $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1)\Omega_f(u_1)$ is of bounded support on u_1 , else we can consider a convenient partition of the unity for Γ_1 . Then $\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1)\Omega_f(u_1)$ is convolvable with any other tempered distribution and its Fourier transform is a C^∞ function, so that the product $\theta(-\tau)[\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_f]^\wedge(\tau)$ is also well defined in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$. Thus we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\tau e^{-i\tau\omega} \theta(-\tau) \int du_1 e^{i\tau u_1} \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1) \Omega_f(u_1) &= \\ = \int d\tau e^{-i\tau\omega} \theta(-\tau) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_f]^\wedge(\tau) &= \sqrt{2\pi} [\theta(-\tau) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_f]^\wedge(\tau)]^\vee(\omega) = \\ = \sqrt{2\pi} \left([\theta(-\tau)]^\vee(u_1) * [[\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_f]^\wedge(\tau)]^\vee(u_1) \right) (\omega) &= \\ = \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\pi\delta(u_1) + i \text{P.P.} \frac{1}{u_1} \right) * [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_f](u_1) (\omega) &= \\ = \int du_1 \left(\pi\delta(\omega - u_1) + i \text{P.P.} \frac{1}{\omega - u_1} \right) [\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}\Omega_f](u_1) &= \\ = \pi\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega)\Omega_f(\omega) + i \text{P.P.} \int du_1 \frac{1}{\omega - u_1} \chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(u_1)\Omega_f(u_1) &= \\ = \pi\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega) \int_{S_{u_1=\omega}} d\sigma_{S_{u_1=\omega}} f(\psi(u)) - & \\ - i \text{P.P.} \int_{\Gamma_1^1} du_1 \frac{1}{u_1 - \omega} \int_{S_{u_1}} d\sigma_{S_{u_1}} f(\psi(u)) &= \\ = \pi\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega) \langle \delta(\omega(k) - \omega), f \rangle - i \text{P.P.} \int_{\Gamma_1} dk \frac{f(k)}{\omega(k) - \omega} &= \\ = \pi\chi_{\Gamma_1^1}(\omega) \langle \delta(\omega(k) - \omega), f \rangle + i \langle \text{P.P.} \frac{\chi_{\Gamma_1}(k)}{\omega(k) - \omega}, f(k) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof. ■

PROOF OF LEMMA 6: Consider any of the open sets Γ_α , where $\omega(k)$ is constant and equal to α . There we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau \chi_{\Gamma_\alpha}(k) e^{\pm i \tau (\omega(k) - \omega)} = \\ & = \chi_{\Gamma_\alpha}(k) \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \int_{\frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2}}^0 d\tau e^{\pm i \tau (\alpha - \omega)} = \\ & = \begin{cases} \chi_{\Gamma_\alpha}(k) \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \frac{-t + t_1}{\lambda^2}, & \text{for } \alpha = \omega; \\ \chi_{\Gamma_\alpha}(k) \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \left(1 - e^{\pm i \frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} \right), & \text{for } \alpha \neq \omega. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For $\omega = \omega'$ we have, if $\alpha = \omega$,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 \frac{-t + t_1}{\lambda^2} = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{(dt)^2}{2\lambda^2} = 0 \quad (\text{since } (dt)^2 = 0)$$

and, if $\alpha \neq \omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 \left(1 - e^{\pm i \frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} \right) = \\ & = \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(dt - \frac{\lambda^2}{\mp i (\alpha - \omega)} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} e^{\mp i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} \Big|_{t_1=t}^{t_1=t+dt} \right) = \\ & = \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(dt - \frac{\lambda^2}{\mp i (\alpha - \omega)} (e^{\mp i \frac{dt}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} - 1) \right) = \\ & = \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{\mp i (\alpha - \omega)} \frac{d}{dt} e^{\mp i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} \Big|_{t=0} \right) dt = \\ & = \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} (1 - 1) dt = 0. \end{aligned}$$

For $\omega \neq \omega'$ we have, if $\alpha = \omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \frac{-t + t_1}{\lambda^2} = \\ & = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \left(-\frac{t}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \right) \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} + \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{t_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')}}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \Big|_{t_1=t}^{t_1=t+dt} \right\} = \\ & = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \left(-\frac{t}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \right) e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} dt + \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')}}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} \left(1 + \frac{\lambda^2}{\pm i (\omega - \omega')} (t + dt) \right) dt \right\} = \\ & = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{-t}{\lambda^2} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} dt = 0 \quad (\text{by Lemma 8}) \end{aligned}$$

and, if $\alpha \neq \omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \left(1 - e^{\pm i \frac{t-t_1}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} \right) = \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \times \\ & \times \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left\{ e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} dt - e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} \int_t^{t+dt} dt_1 e^{\pm i \frac{t_1}{\lambda^2} (2\omega - \omega' - \alpha)} \right\} = \\ & = \frac{1}{\pm i (\alpha - \omega)} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left\{ e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\omega - \omega')} dt - e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (\alpha - \omega)} e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} (2\omega - \omega' - \alpha)} dt \right\} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof. \blacksquare

Appendix

The following appendices include some of the conventions and results used in this paper about the Fourier transform in Schwartz spaces and the ordinary convergence of Fourier integrals.

A. Fourier Transforms

We shall use the following conventions:⁵ The dual pair $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is anti-linear on the left and linear on the right, i.e. $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f^* g$, where $*$ denotes the complex conjugate. The Fourier transform f^\wedge and the inverse Fourier transform f^\vee of a test function $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ are given by

$$f^\wedge(s) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int dx f(x) e^{ix \cdot s}, \quad f^\vee(s) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int dx f(x) e^{-ix \cdot s},$$

so that $f^{\wedge\vee} = f^{\vee\wedge} = f$. The Fourier transform F^\wedge and the inverse Fourier transform F^\vee of a distribution $F \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ are defined by the relations

$$\langle F^\wedge, f^\wedge \rangle = \langle F, f \rangle, \quad \langle F^\vee, f^\vee \rangle = \langle F, f \rangle,$$

so that, if $F \in L^1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} F^\wedge(s) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \langle F^*(x), e^{ix \cdot s} \rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int dx F(x) e^{ix \cdot s}, \\ F^\vee(s) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \langle F^*(x), e^{-ix \cdot s} \rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int dx F(x) e^{-ix \cdot s}. \end{aligned}$$

⁵ These conventions are the Gelfand-Shilov's ones [3] except by the factors $(2\pi)^{-d/2}$ in the Fourier transform and its inverse. Our (inverse) Fourier transforms, in $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$, are obtained from the Gelfand-Shilov (inverse) Fourier transforms (multiplying/dividing by $(2\pi)^{d/2}$).

Thus,

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{it\omega} dt = (2\pi)^{d/2} [\theta(-t)]^\wedge(\omega) = \frac{-i}{\omega - i0} = \pi\delta(\omega) - i \text{P.P.} \frac{1}{\omega},$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-it\omega} dt = (2\pi)^{d/2} [\theta(-t)]^\wedge(\omega)^* = \frac{i}{\omega + i0} = \pi\delta(\omega) + i \text{P.P.} \frac{1}{\omega}.$$

We shall need the following result:

LEMMA 8. *For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\omega \neq 0$ we have*

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{t}{\lambda^2} \right)^n e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} \omega} = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}).$$

PROOF: Remember that for every $m \in \mathbb{N}$ there exist a constant $C_m > 0$ such that for any test function $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$, every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\omega \neq 0$ we have (see section V.1.3 of Schwartz [4])

$$|\langle t^n e^{\pm it\omega}, \varphi(t) \rangle| = \left| \int dt e^{\mp it\omega} t^n \varphi(t) \right| \leq C_m \frac{\left\| \frac{d^m}{dt^m} [t^n \varphi(t)] \right\|_{L^1}}{|\omega|^m}.$$

Then, taking $m > n$, for every $\omega \neq 0$ we get

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left| \left\langle \left(\frac{t}{\lambda^2} \right)^n e^{\pm i \frac{t}{\lambda^2} \omega}, \varphi(t) \right\rangle \right| \leq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} C_m \lambda^{2(m-n)} \frac{\left\| \frac{d^m}{dt^m} [t^n \varphi(t)] \right\|_{L^1}}{|\omega|^m} = 0.$$

This implies the result. ■

B. Summability of Fourier Integrals

The tests of Jordan and Dini for ordinary convergence of Fourier integrals can be found in [5, Ths.3,4,23].

THEOREM 9 (Jordan's Test). *Let $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$. If f is of bounded variation in an interval (a, b) including x , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x+0) + f(x-0)}{2} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\lambda du \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) \cos(u(x-t)) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\lambda}^\lambda e^{-ixu} du \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) e^{ixu} dt, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

the integral converging uniformly in any interval interior to (a, b) .

THEOREM 10 (Dini's Test). *Let $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$. Then, for a given x ,*

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\lambda du \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) \cos(u(x-t)) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\lambda}^\lambda e^{-ixu} du \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) e^{ixu} dt, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

is true if

$$\int_0^\delta \left| \frac{f(x+y) + f(x-y) - 2f(x)}{y} \right| dy \quad (14)$$

exists for some positive δ ; in particular it holds if f is differentiable at the point x .

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