

Ground states of scalar quantum field on pseudo Riemannian manifolds

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- *Existence and absence of ground states for a particle interacting through the quantized scalar field on a static spacetime*, **RIMS Kôkyûroku Bessatsu B21 (2010) 15-24**

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Hilbert Space

$$\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{K}}) \otimes \mathcal{F} \quad \mathcal{F} = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} L^2_{\text{sym}}(\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{K} \times n})$$

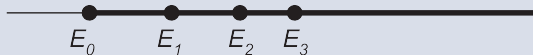
- (dispersion relation) $\omega = \omega(-i\nabla_x) = \sqrt{-\Delta_x + m^2}$
- $d\Gamma(\omega)\Phi^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (\sum_{j=1}^n \omega(-i\nabla_{x_j}))\Phi^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$
- $\phi(f) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a^\dagger(\bar{f}) + a(f)), [a(f), a^\dagger(g)] = (\bar{f}, g)$
- $\phi_\rho(X) = \phi(\omega^{-1/2}\rho(\cdot - X))$
- UV cutoff $0 \leq \rho \in \mathcal{S}$

Standard Nelson model

$$H = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\Delta_X + V(X)\right) \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes d\Gamma(\omega) + \phi_\rho(X)$$

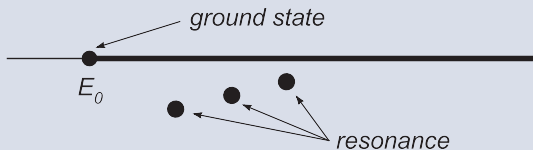
$$\sigma(-\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V) = \{E_j\}, \sigma(d\Gamma(\omega)) = [0, \infty) \quad (m = 0)$$

- Embedded eigenvalues(no interaction)



$\Downarrow (+\phi_p(X))$

- Resonances and ground state



Infrared problem

$$I_{\text{IR}} = \int \frac{|\hat{\rho}(k)|^2}{\omega(k)^3} dk$$

E.g., $\omega(k) = \sqrt{|k|^2 + m^2}$ and $\hat{\rho}(0) > 0$

- $(m > 0) I_{\text{IR}} < \infty$
- $(m = 0) I_{\text{IR}} = \infty$

Bach-Fröhlich-Sigal(98), Gérard(00), Spohn(99), Arai-Hirokawa-H.(99), Dereziński-Gérard(03), Hirokawa(07), Lőrinczi-Minlos-Spohn(03)....

- $I_{\text{IR}} < \infty$ (**IR regular**) $\implies \exists$ **ground state**
- $I_{\text{IR}} = \infty$ (**IR singular**) \implies **no ground state**

Pull-through formula, number operator N ,

$$(\Phi_{\text{g}}, (\mathbb{1} \otimes N)\Phi_{\text{g}})_{\mathcal{H}} \leq \frac{1}{2} I_{\text{IR}} \|\Phi_{\text{g}}\|^2$$

- $(m > 0) \exists$ **ground state**
- $(m = 0)$ **no ground state**

How about variable mass $m(x)$?

Conjecture

- $m(x) \downarrow 0$ fast \implies no ground state
- $m(x) \downarrow 0$ slowly $\implies \exists$ ground state

Nelson model on static pseudo Riemannian manifold

- $e^{-itH}(\mathbb{1} \otimes \phi(f))e^{itH} = \int \phi(t, x)f(x)dx$
- $e^{-itH}(X \otimes \mathbb{1})e^{itH} = X_t$

Standard Nelson model (formally) satisfies that

$$(\partial_t^2 - \Delta_x + m^2)\phi(t, x) = \rho(x - X_t)$$

$$\partial_t^2 X_t = -\nabla V(X_t) - \int \phi(t, x)\nabla_X \rho(x - X_t)dx$$

Static (time independent) Lorenzian manifold

$$g = (g_{\mu\nu}) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \\ & -\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

$\lambda(x) > 0$, $\gamma(x)$ is a Riemannian metric on $\mathbb{R}^{\#}$.

$$\square_g = \sum |g|^{-1/2} \partial_\mu |g|^{1/2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu + \theta \eta$$

where $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, η scalar curvature.

$$(\square_g + m^2)\phi(t, x) = 0 \quad \text{on } L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\#}, |g|^{1/2} dx)$$

Transform to the equation from $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\neq}, |g|^{1/2} dx)$ to $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\neq})$:

$$(\partial_t^2 + h)\phi(t, x) = 0$$

$$h = -\sum_{ij} \frac{1}{c} \partial_i a^{ij}(x) \partial_j \frac{1}{c} + m(x)^2$$

Variable mass $m(x)$ appears even when $m = 0$.

Nelson model on static Lorentzian manifold

$$H = K \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes d\Gamma(\omega) + \phi_\rho(X)$$

where

- $K = -\sum \partial_i A^{ij}(X) \partial_j + V(X)$
- $\omega = \hbar^{1/2}$
- $\phi(X) = \phi(\omega^{-1/2} \rho(\cdot - X))$

Existence of ground state

Assumptions

- (F)
- $C_0 \mathbb{1} \leq [a^{ij}(x)] \leq C_1 \mathbb{1}$, $\partial^\alpha a^{ij}(x) \in O(\langle x \rangle^{-1})$, $|\alpha| \leq 1$
 - $C_0 \leq c(x) \leq C_1$, $\partial^\alpha c(x) \in O(1)$, $|\alpha| \leq 2$
 - $\partial^\alpha m(x) \in O(1)$, $|\alpha| \leq 1$
- (P)
- $C_0 \mathbb{1} \leq [A^{ij}(X)] \leq C_1 \mathbb{1}$
 - $V(X) \geq C_0 \langle X \rangle^{2\delta} - C_1$

Theorem (GHPS) Existence of ground state

Suppose $m(x) \geq a \langle x \rangle^{-1}$ for some $a > 0$, and $\delta > 3/2$. Then H has a ground state.

Proposition (Bruneau-Dereziński) general ω and K

Suppose that

- (1) $\omega \geq 0$, $\text{Ker } \omega = 0$
- (2) $\sup_X \|\omega^{-1/2} \rho(\cdot - X)\| < \infty$
- (3) $(K + \mathbb{1})^{-1/2}$ is compact
- (4) $\omega^{-1} \rho(\cdot - X)(K + \mathbb{1})^{-1/2}$ is compact
- (5) $\omega^{-3/2} \rho(\cdot - X)(K + \mathbb{1})^{-1/2}$ **is compact** (general IR regularity).

Then $K \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes d\Gamma(\omega) + \phi_\rho(X)$ has a ground state.

Proof of Thm: Check (5).

$$m(x) \geq a \langle x \rangle^{-1} \implies \omega^{-3/2} \langle x \rangle^{-3/2-\varepsilon} \text{ is bounded}$$

$\implies \omega^{-3/2} \langle x \rangle^{-3/2-\varepsilon} \langle x \rangle^{3/2+\varepsilon} \rho(x - X) \langle X \rangle^{-3/2-\varepsilon} \langle X \rangle^{3/2+\varepsilon} (K + \mathbb{1})^{-1/2}$
 is compact, since $\langle X \rangle^{3/2+\varepsilon} (K + \mathbb{1})^{-1/2}$ is compact by
 $V(X) > \langle X \rangle^{3+\varepsilon'}$.

Absence of ground state

Probabilistic approach

- e^{-tK} is positivity preserving.
- Let $\Phi_p > 0$ be the ground state of K , $\Phi_p(x) \leq C_0 e^{-C_1|x|^{\delta+1}}$
- (ground state transform) $U : L^2(\Phi_p^2 dx) \rightarrow L^2(dx)$, $f \mapsto \Phi_p f$
- $L = U(K - \inf \sigma(K))U^{-1}$

Feynman-Kac formula $\mathcal{X} = C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{\neq})$

There exists a diffusion process $(X_t)_{-\infty < t < \infty}$ on a probability space $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X}), \exists P^x)$ such that

$$(f, e^{-tL}g) = \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^x [\overline{U(X_\cdot)} \delta(\mathbb{B}_\cdot)]$$

where $\mu_0(dx) = \Phi_p^2(x)dx$ is the probability measure on \mathbb{R}^{\neq} .

$\mathcal{F} \cong L^2(Q, d\nu)$, ν Gaussian measure such that

$$\int e^{\alpha\phi(f)} d\nu = e^{\alpha^2/4\|f\|^2}$$

$$H = L \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes d\Gamma(\omega) + \phi_p(X)$$

on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\neq}, d\mu_0) \otimes L^2(Q, d\nu) \cong L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\neq} \times Q, d\mu_0 \otimes d\nu)$

- e^{-TH} is positivity preserving.
- If H has a ground state $\Phi_g \implies \Phi_g > 0$.
- $\mathbb{1} = \mathbb{1}_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{\neq})} \otimes \Omega$. Then $\Phi_g^T = e^{-TH} \mathbb{1} / \|e^{-TH} \mathbb{1}\| \rightarrow \Phi_g$ ($T \rightarrow \infty$).

$$\gamma = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} (\mathbb{1}, \Phi_g^T)^2 = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\mathbb{1}, e^{-TH} \mathbb{1})^2}{(\mathbb{1}, e^{-2TH} \mathbb{1})}$$

Lemma (Lórinzi-Minlos-Spohn)

- ($\gamma > 0$) H has a ground state
- ($\gamma = 0$) H has no ground state

Theorem (GHPS) Absence of ground state

Suppose $m(x) \leq a\langle x \rangle^{-1-\varepsilon}$. Then H has no ground state.

$$(\mathbb{1}, e^{-TH} \mathbb{1}) = \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [J_{\nu}^T \approx J_{\nu}^T \sim W(X_{\approx}, X_{\sim}, |\approx - \sim|)]$$

$$W = W(X, Y, |t|) = \frac{1}{2}(\rho(\cdot - X), \omega^{-1} e^{-|t|\omega} \rho(\cdot - Y)).$$

Lemma (GHPS)

$$\gamma \leq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_{\mu_T} [^{-\neq} J_{-T}^{\nu} J_{\nu}^T W]$$

where

$$\mu_T(\mathcal{O}) = \frac{1}{Z_T} \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [\mathcal{O}^{J_{-T}^T, J_{\nu}^T W}]$$

Proof $\gamma = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\mathbb{1}, e^{-TH} \mathbb{1})^2}{(\mathbb{1}, e^{-2TH} \mathbb{1})}$

- Denominator:

$$(\mathbb{1}, e^{-2TH} \mathbb{1}) = \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{\nu}^{\kappa^T} f_{\nu}^{\kappa^T} W] = \int \mu_{\nu}(\curvearrowright) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{-\tau}^T f_{-\tau}^T W]$$

- Numerator:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbb{1}, e^{-TH} \mathbb{1})^2 &= \left(\int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{\nu}^T f_{\nu}^T W] \right)^2 \\ &\leq \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{\nu}^T f_{\nu}^T W] \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{-\tau}^{\nu} \approx f_{-\tau}^{\nu} \sim W] \\ &= \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{-\tau}^{\nu} f_{-\tau}^{\nu} + f_{\nu}^T f_{\nu}^T W] \\ &= \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}^{\curvearrowright} [f_{-\tau}^T f_{-\tau}^T - f_{-\tau}^{\nu} f_{\nu}^T W] \end{aligned}$$

Lemma (GHPS) Harnack type estimate

Suppose $m(x) \leq a\langle x \rangle^{-1-\varepsilon}$. Then

$$C_1 e^{C_2 t \Delta}(x, y) \leq e^{-t\omega^2}(x, y) \leq C_3 e^{C_4 t \Delta}(x, y)$$

Corollary

$$C_1 W_\infty(x, y, C_2 |t|) \leq W(x, t, |t|) \leq C_3 W_\infty(x, y, C_4 |t|)$$

where

$$W_\infty(X, Y, |t|) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int \frac{\rho(x)\rho(y)}{|x-y+X-Y|^2+t^2} dx dy$$

Proof of Thm: $\mathbb{E}_{\mu_T}[-\int_{-T}^T \int_{-T}^T W] = \mathbb{E}_{\mu_T}[\mathbf{1}_{A_T} \cdots] + \mathbb{E}_{\mu_T}[\mathbf{1}_{A_T^c} \cdots]$ where

- $A_T = \{(x, w) \mid \sup_{|s| \leq T} |X_s(w)| \leq T^\lambda, |X_0(w)| = |x| \leq T^\lambda\}$
- $\frac{1}{1+\delta} < \lambda < 1$

By

- $\int_{-T}^T dt \int_{-T}^T ds W \leq \int_{-T}^T dt \int_{-T}^T ds W_\infty \leq CT \|\hat{\rho}/|k|\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^k)}^2$
- $P(\mathcal{O}) = \int \mu_0(dx) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[\mathcal{O}]$

we have

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu_T}[\mathbf{1}_{A_T} \cdots] \leq C^{TC} \left(\int \mathbf{1}_{A_T} \mathbb{P} \right)^{k/k}$$

By exponential decay $\Phi_{\mathbb{P}}(x) \leq C_0 e^{-C_1|x|^{\delta+1}}$ we have

Lemma (Kipnis-Varadhan)

$$\int \mathbf{1}_{A_T^c} dP \leq T^{-\lambda} (a + bT)^{1/2} e^{-T^\lambda(\delta+1)}$$

Since $\lambda(\delta+1) > 1$, $\mathbb{E}_{\mu_T}[\mathbf{1}_{A_T} \cdots] \rightarrow 0$ ($T \rightarrow \infty$).

UV problem

Theorem (E. Nelson 1964) Removal of UV cutoff

Let

$$\hat{\rho}_\Lambda(k) = (2\pi)^{-3/2} \chi_\Lambda = \begin{cases} (2\pi)^{-3/2} & |k| \leq \Lambda \\ 0 & |k| > \Lambda \end{cases}$$

and

$$E_\Lambda = -\frac{1}{2}(2\pi)^{-3} \int \frac{|\chi_\Lambda(k)|^2}{|k|(|k|^2/2 + |k|)} dk$$

Then

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} e^{-t(H_\Lambda - E_\Lambda)} = e^{-t\exists H_\infty}$$

$$\rho_\Lambda(\cdot) = \Lambda^3 \rho(\Lambda \cdot). \quad \rho_\Lambda(x - X) \rightarrow \delta(x - X) \int \rho(y) dy.$$

Symbols:

$$h_0(X, \xi) = \sum \xi_i a^{ij}(X) \xi_j \quad K(X, \xi) = \sum \xi_i A^{ij}(X) \xi_j$$

$$E(X) = -\frac{1}{2} (2\pi)^{-3} \int (h_0(X, \xi) + 1)^{-1/2} \frac{K(X, \xi)}{(K(X, \xi) + 1)^2} |\hat{\rho}(\xi/\Lambda)^2| d\xi$$

Theorem (GHPS) Removal of UV cutoff

There exists a self-adjoint operator H_{ren} bounded from below such that $e^{-t(H_\Lambda - E_\Lambda(X))} \rightarrow e^{-tH_{\text{ren}}} (\Lambda \rightarrow \infty)$.

Concluding Remarks

- Critical ratio

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 a\langle x \rangle^{-1} \leq m(x) & H \text{ has a ground state} \\
 m(x) \leq a\langle x \rangle^{-1-\varepsilon} & H \text{ has no ground state.}
 \end{array}$$

- Condition $V(x) \geq \langle x \rangle^{2\delta} - \varepsilon$ can be changed to "binding condition" by Griesemer-Lieb-Loss (Inv Math 01), which include Coulomb potentials.
- The standard Nelson model without UV cutoff also has a ground state (Hirokawa-H.-Spohn, Adv Math 05). **However it is unknown the uniqueness of the ground state.**