

# Osterwalder-Schrader Stability

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# Quasi-Schwinger Functions

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(\vec{x}_1, x_1^0, \dots, \vec{x}_n, x_n^0) &= \\ &= \lim_{\phi \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} G_n(\vec{x}_1, e^{i\phi} x_1^0, \dots, \vec{x}_n, e^{i\phi} x_n^0) \end{aligned}$$

$$G_n \Rightarrow S_n$$

# Quasi-Schwinger Functions

- Analyticity of  $G_n$  in times follows from spectral properties:

$$\hat{f}(t) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{iEt} f(E) dE$$

$$\text{supp}(f) \in [0, \infty)$$

$$\hat{f}(t) \rightarrow \hat{f}(t + i\tau) \quad \tau > 0$$

$$\hat{f}(t) \rightarrow \hat{f}(e^{i\phi}t) \quad t > 0, \quad 0 \leq \phi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

# Quasi-Wightman Functions

- quasi-Wightman functions can be recovered from quasi-Schwinger functions as boundary values of the analytic functions

$$W_n(\vec{x}_1, x_1^0, \dots, \vec{x}_N, x_N^0) = \lim_{x_1^0 > x_2^0 > \dots > x_N^0 \rightarrow 0} S_n(\vec{x}_1, x_1^0 + ix_1^0, \dots, \vec{x}_N, x_N^0 + ix_N^0)$$

- Order of Euclidean times = order of fields in  $W$

$$S_n \Rightarrow W_n$$

# Physical Hilbert Space

$$\langle f|g\rangle = (\Theta f, Sg) = (f, \Theta Sg) =$$
$$\sum_{m,n} \int d^4x_1 \cdots d^4x_{m+n} f_n^*(\theta x_n, \cdots, \theta x_1) \times$$
$$S_{m+n}(x_1, \cdots, x_{m+n}) g_m(x_{n+1}, \cdots, x_{n+m}).$$

# Reflection Positivity

$$\text{supp} \langle x|f \rangle : t_{k1} > t_{k2} \cdots > t_{kk} > 0 \quad (\langle x|f \rangle \in \mathcal{S}_{>})$$

$$(\Theta f, Sg) \geq 0$$

# Poincaré Group

$$\langle \mathbf{x} | \vec{P} | f \rangle :=$$

$$\left\{ 0, -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{11}} f_1(\mathbf{x}_{11}), \left( -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{21}} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{22}} \right) f_2(\mathbf{x}_{21}, \mathbf{x}_{22}), \dots \right\}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{x} | \vec{J} | f \rangle := \left\{ 0, -i \vec{x}_{11} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{11}} f_1(\mathbf{x}_{11}), \right.$$

$$\left. \left( -i \vec{x}_{21} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{21}} - i \vec{x}_{22} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{22}} \right) f_2(\mathbf{x}_{21}, \mathbf{x}_{22}), \dots \right\}$$

# Poincaré Group

$$\langle \mathbf{x} | H | f \rangle :=$$

$$\left\{ 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{11}^0} f_1(\mathbf{x}_{11}), \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{21}^0} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{22}^0} f_2(\mathbf{x}_{21}, \mathbf{x}_{22}), \dots \right\}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{x} | \vec{B} | f \rangle := \left\{ 0, \vec{x}_{11} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{11}^0} - \mathbf{x}_{11}^0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{11}} f_1(\mathbf{x}_{11}), \right.$$

$$\left. \left( \vec{x}_{21} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{21}^0} - \mathbf{x}_{21}^0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{21}} + \vec{x}_{22} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{22}^0} - \mathbf{x}_{22}^0 \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}_{22}} \right) f_2(\mathbf{x}_{21}, \mathbf{x}_{22}), \dots \right\}.$$

# Dynamics - Euclidean RQM

- $H, \vec{P}, \vec{J}, \vec{B}$  well defined and self-adjoint on the Physical Hilbert space
- $H, \vec{P}, \vec{J}, \vec{B}$  satisfy Poincaré commutation relations
- $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle, H, \vec{P}, \vec{J}, \vec{B}$  defines a relativistic quantum theory.

# Euclidean BS

$$G_4 = G_0 + G_0 K G_4$$

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$$S_4 = S_0 + S_0 K_e S_4$$

$$G_4 \Leftrightarrow S_4 \Leftrightarrow W_4$$

# OS Stability

$$S_4 = S_0 + S_0 K_e S_4$$

$$\Pi_{>} : S \rightarrow S_{>}$$

$$(f, \Pi_{>} \Theta S_0 \Pi_{>} f) \geq 0$$

$K_e$  small, Euclidean covariant

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$$(f, \Pi_{>} \Theta S_4 \Pi_{>} f) \geq 0$$

# Theorems

Theorem 1:  $(f, \Pi_{>} \Theta S_0 \Pi_{>} f) = 0$  for some  $f \in \mathcal{S}_{>}$  implies the BS equation is OS unstable in a neighborhood of  $K = 0$ .

# Theorems

**Theorem 2:** If  $S_0 = S_{10}S_{20}$  with  $S_{i0}$  a free particle Schwinger functions, then there are non-zero  $f \in \mathcal{S}_>$  such that  $(f, \Pi_> \Theta S_0 \Pi_> f) = 0$ .

# Theorems

**Theorem 3:** If  $S_0 = S_{10}S_{20}$  and  $S_{i0}$  has a Lehmann with non-empty continuous spectrum then there are no non-zero  $f \in \mathcal{S}_>$  such that  $(f, \Pi_> \Theta S_0 \Pi_> f) = 0$ .

# Null Spaces

$$(f, \Theta S_0 f) = \int \left| \int dt \tilde{f}(\mathbf{p}, t) \frac{2\pi e^{-\omega_m(\vec{\mathbf{p}})t}}{\sqrt{\omega_m(\vec{\mathbf{p}})}} \right|^2 d^3\mathbf{p} dm \rho(m)$$

$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{p}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int e^{i\vec{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{x}}} f(\vec{\mathbf{x}}, t) d^3\mathbf{x}$$

# Null Spaces

$$(f, \Theta S_0 f) = 0$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\int dt \tilde{f}(\mathbf{p}, t) e^{-\omega_m(\vec{\mathbf{p}})t} = 0$$

$\Downarrow$

$\forall \vec{\mathbf{p}}$  and all  $m \in \text{supp}(\rho)$ .

# Null Spaces

- $S_0$  free  $\Rightarrow m$  is a fixed number

$$\tilde{f}(\vec{p}, t) = \tilde{g}(\vec{p})\xi(t) \quad \int_a^b \xi(t)dt = 1 \quad \text{supp}(\xi) \in [a, b]$$

$$\hat{\xi}(\vec{p}) := \int_a^b e^{-\omega_m(\vec{p})t} \xi(t) dt$$

$$\tilde{f}(\vec{p}, t) = \tilde{g}(\vec{p})\xi(t)[1 - e^{\omega_m(\vec{p})t}\hat{\xi}(\vec{p})]$$

$\Downarrow$

$$(f, \Theta S_0 f) = 0$$

# Null Spaces

- If  $\rho(m)$  has absolutely continuous spectrum then the instability proof breaks down:

$$\int \tilde{f}(\vec{p}, t) e^{-\omega_m(\vec{p})t} = 0.$$

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$$\tilde{f}(\vec{p}, t) = 0$$

# Conclusion

- Euclidean BS with free  $S_0$  is OS unstable at  $K = 0$ .
- The BS equation with a realistic  $S_0$  may be OS stable for a suitably restricted class of Kernels.
- OS positivity is essential for a quantum mechanical interpretation.

# Future

- Models with  $S_0$  having absolutely continuous Lehmann spectra ?
- Case of Fermions (protons, neutrons, quarks)?