Renormalization Group, hidden symmetries and approximate Ward identities in the XYZ model, I.

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ABSTRACT. *Using renormalization group methods, we study the Heisenberg-Ising XYZ chain in an external magnetic field directed as the z axis, in the case of small coupling J_3 in the z direction. We study the asymptotic behaviour of the spin space-time correlation function in the direction of the magnetic field and the singularities of its Fourier transform.*

The work is organized in two parts. In the present paper an expansion for the ground state energy and the effective potential is derived, which is convergent if the running coupling constants are small enough. In the subsequent paper, by using hidden symmetries of the model, we show that this condition is indeed verified, if J_3 is small enough, and we derive an expansion for the spin correlation function. We also prove, by means of an approximate Ward identity, that a critical index, related with the asymptotic behaviour of the correlation function, is exactly vanishing.

1. Introduction

1.1 If $(S^1_x, S^2_x, S^3_x) = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma^1_x, \sigma^2_x, \sigma^3_x)$, for $i = 1, 2, ..., L$, σ^α_i, $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$, being the Pauli matrices, the Hamiltonian of the *Heisenberg-Ising XYZ chain* is given by

$$H = -\sum_{x=1}^{L-1} [J_1 S^1_x S^1_{x+1} + J_2 S^2_x S^2_{x+1} + J_3 S^3_x S^3_{x+1} + h S^3_x] - h S^3_L + U^1_L \ , \tag{1.1}$$

where the last term, to be fixed later, depends on the boundary conditions. The space-time *spin correlation function* at temperature β^{-1} is given by

$$\Omega^\alpha_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}) = < S^\alpha_{\mathbf{x}} S^\alpha_{\mathbf{0}} >_{L,\beta} - < S^\alpha_{\mathbf{x}} >_{L,\beta} < S^\alpha_{\mathbf{0}} >_{L,\beta} \ , \tag{1.2}$$

where $\mathbf{x} = (x, x_0)$, $S^\alpha_{\mathbf{x}} = e^{H x_0} S^\alpha_x e^{-H x_0}$ and $< \ . \ >_{L,\beta} = Tr[e^{-\beta H} .]/Tr[e^{-\beta H}]$ denotes the expectation in the grand canonical ensemble. We shall use also the notation $\Omega^\alpha(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \lim_{L,\beta\to\infty} \Omega^\alpha_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$.

The Hamiltonian (1.1) can be written [LSM] as a *fermionic interacting spinless Hamiltonian*. In fact, it is easy to check that the operators

$$a^\pm_x \equiv \left[\prod_{y=1}^{x-1} (-\sigma^3_y)\right] \sigma^\pm_x \tag{1.3}$$

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are a set of anticommuting operators and that, if $\sigma_x^{\pm} = (\sigma_x^1 \pm i\sigma_x^2)/2$, we can write

$$\sigma_x^- = e^{-i\pi \sum_{y=1}^{x-1} a_y^+ a_y^-} a_x^- \ , \quad \sigma_x^+ = a_x^+ e^{i\pi \sum_{y=1}^{x-1} a_y^+ a_y^-} \ , \quad \sigma_x^3 = 2a_x^+ a_x^- - 1 \ . \tag{1.4}$$

Hence, if we fix the units so that $J_1 + J_2 = 2$ and we introduce the *anisotropy* $u = (J_1 - J_2)/(J_1 + J_2)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} H = \sum_{x=1}^{L-1} \Big\{ -\frac{1}{2}[a_x^+ a_{x+1}^- + a_{x+1}^+ a_x^-] - \frac{u}{2}[a_x^+ a_{x+1}^+ + a_{x+1}^- a_x^-] - \\ -J_3(a_x^+ a_x^- - \frac{1}{2})(a_{x+1}^+ a_{x+1}^- - \frac{1}{2}) \Big\} - h \sum_{x=1}^{L} (a_x^+ a_x^- - \frac{1}{2}) + U_L^2 \ , \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

where U_L^2 is the boundary term in the new variables. We choose it so that the fermionic Hamiltonian (1.5) coincides with the Hamiltonian of a fermion system on the lattice with periodic boundary conditions, that is we put U_L^2 equal to the term in the first sum in the r.h.s. of (1.5) with $x = L$ and $a_{L+1}^{\pm} = a_1^{\pm}$ (in [LMS] this choice for the XY chain is called "c-cyclic"). It is easy to see that this choice corresponds to fix the boundary conditions for the spin variables so that

$$U_L^1 = -\frac{1}{2}[\sigma_L^+ e^{i\pi\mathcal{N}} \sigma_1^- + \sigma_L^- e^{i\pi\mathcal{N}} \sigma_1^+] - \frac{u}{2}[\sigma_L^+ e^{i\pi\mathcal{N}} \sigma_1^+ + \sigma_L^- e^{i\pi\mathcal{N}} \sigma_1^-] - \frac{J_3}{4} \sigma_L^3 \sigma_1^3 \ , \tag{1.6}$$

where $\mathcal{N} = \sum_{x=1}^{L} a_x^+ a_x$. Strictly speaking, with this choice U_L^1 does not look really like a boundary term, because $\mathcal{N}$ depends on all the spins of the chain. However $[(-1)^{\mathcal{N}}, H] = 0$; hence the Hilbert space splits up in two subspaces on which $(-1)^{\mathcal{N}}$ is equal to 1 or to -1 and on each of these subspaces U_L^1 really depends only on the boundary spins. One expects that, in the $L \to \infty$ limit, the correlation functions are independent on the boundary term, but we shall not face here this problem.

1.2 The Heisenberg XYZ chain has been the subject of a very active research over many years with a variety of methods.

A first class of results is based on the *exact solutions*. If one of the three parameters is vanishing (**e.g.** $J_3 = 0$), the model is called XY *chain*. Its solution is based on the fact that the hamiltonian, in the fermionic form (1.5), is quadratic in the fermionic fields, so that it can be diagonalized (see [LSM], [LSM1]) by a Bogoliubov transformation. If $u = 0$, we get the free Fermi gas with Fermi momentum $p_F = \arccos(-h)$; if $|u| > 0$, it turns out that the energy spectrum has a gap at p_F.

The equal time correlation functions $\Omega^\alpha(x, 0)$ were explicitly calculated in [Mc] (even at finite L and β), in the case $h = 0$, that is $p_F = \pi/2$. Note that, while $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ coincides with the correlation function of the density in the fermionic representation of the model, $\Omega^1(\mathbf{x})$ and $\Omega^2(\mathbf{x})$ are given by quite complicated expressions. It turns out, for example, that, if $|u| < 1$, $\Omega^3(x, 0)$ is of the following form:

$$\Omega^3(x,0) = -\frac{\alpha^{|x|}}{\pi^2 x^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) F(-|x| \log\alpha, |x|) \ , \quad \alpha = (1 - |u|)/(1 + |u|) \ , \tag{1.7}$$

where $F(\gamma, n)$ is a bounded function, such that, if $\gamma \leq 1$, $F(\gamma, n) = 1 + O(\gamma \log \gamma) + O(1/n)$, while, if $\gamma \geq 1$ and $n \geq 2\gamma$, $F(\gamma, n) = \pi/2 + O(1/\gamma)$.

For $|h| > 0$, it is not possible to get a so explicit expression for $\Omega^3(x, 0)$. However, it is not difficult to prove that, if $|u| < \sin p_F$, $|\Omega^3(x, 0)| \leq \alpha^{|x|}$ and, if $x \neq 0$ and $|ux| \leq 1$

$$\Omega^3(x, 0) = -\frac{1}{\pi^2 x^2} \sin^2(p_F x)[1 + O(|ux| \log |ux|) + O(1/|x|)] \, . \tag{1.8}$$

Note that, if $u = 0$, a very easy calculation shows that $\Omega^3(x, 0) = -(\pi^2 x^2)^{-2} \sin^2(p_F x)$.

We want to stress that the only case in which the correlation functions and their asymptotic behaviour can be computed explicitly in a rigorous way is just the $J_3 = 0$ case.

If two parameters are equal (e.g. $J_1 = J_2$), but $J_3 \neq 0$, the model is called XXZ model. In the case $h = 0$, it was solved in [YY] via the *Bethe-ansatz*, in the sense that the Hamiltonian was diagonalized. However, it was not possible till now to obtain the correlation functions from the exact solution. Such solution is a particular case of the general solution of the XYZ model by Baxter [B], but again *only in the case of zero magnetic field*. The ground state energy has been computed and it has been proved that there is a gap in the spectrum, which, if $J_1 - J_2$ and J_3 are not too large, is given approximately by (see [LP])

$$\Delta = 8\pi \frac{\sin \mu}{\mu} |J_1| \left(\frac{|J_1^2 - J_2^2|}{16(J_1^2 - J_3^2)} \right)^{\frac{\pi}{2\mu}} \tag{1.9}$$

with $\cos \mu = -J_3/J_1$.

The solution is based on the fact that the XYZ chain with periodic boundary conditions is equivalent to the *eight vertex* model, in the sense that H is proportional to the logarithmic derivative with respect to a parameter of the eight vertex transfer matrix, if a suitable identification of the parameters is done, see [S], [B]. The eight vertex model is obtained by putting arrows in a suitable way on a two-dimensional lattice with M rows, L columns and periodic boundary conditions. There are eight allowed vertices, and with each of them an energy is associated in a suitable way (there are four different values of the energy). With the above choice of the parameters and $T - T_c < 0$ and small, $u = O(|T - T_c|)$, so that the critical temperature of the eight vertex model corresponds to no anisotropy in the XYZ chain. Moreover, see [JKM], the correlation function C_x between two vertical arrows in a row, separated by x vertices, is given, in the limit $M \to \infty$, by $C_x = < S_0^2 S_x^2 >$. However, an explicit expression for the correlation functions cannot be derived for the XYZ or the eight vertex model. In [JKM] the correlation length of C_x was computed heuristically under some physical assumptions (an exact computation is difficult because it does not depend only on the largest and the next to the largest eigenvalues). The result is $\xi^{-1} = (T - T_c)^{\frac{\pi}{2\mu}}$, if ξ is the correlation length. One sees that the critical index of the correlation length is *non universal*.

Another interesting observation is that the XYZ model is equivalent to two interpenetrating two-dimensional Ising lattices with nearest-neighbor coupling, interacting via a four

spins coupling (which is proportional to J_3). The *four spin correlation function* is identical to C_x. In the decoupling limit $J_3 = 0$ the two Ising lattices are independent and one can see that the Ising model solution can be reduced to the diagonalization, via a Bogoliubov transformation, of a quadratic Fermi Hamiltonian, see [LSM1].

Recent new results using the properties of the transfer matrix can be found in [EFIK], in which an integro-difference equation for the correlation function of the XXZ chain is obtained. It is however not clear how to deduce the physical properties of the correlation function from this equation.

1.3 Since it is very difficult to extract detailed information on the behaviour of the correlation functions from the above exact solutions, the XYZ model has been studied by quantum field theory methods, see [LP]. The idea is to approximate the fermionic hamiltonian (1.5) by the hamiltonian of the *massive Thirring model*, describing a massive relativistic spinning particle on the continuum $d = 1$ space interacting with a local current-current potential (for a heuristic justification of this approximation, see [A]).

As a relativistic field theory, the massive Thirring model is plagued by ultraviolet divergences, which were absent in the original model, defined on a lattice; one can heuristically remove this problem by introducing "by hand" an ultraviolet cut-off. A way to introduce it could be to consider a short-ranged instead of a local potential; if $J_1 = J_2$, this means that we have approximated the XXZ-chain with the *Luttinger model*, whose correlation functions can be explicitly computed, see [ML], [BGM].

The Luttinger model is defined in terms of two fields $\psi_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$, $\omega = \pm 1$, and one expects that, if $|h| < 1$ and J_3 is small enough, the large distance asymptotic behaviour of $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ is qualitatively similar to that of the truncated correlation of the operator $\rho_{\mathbf{x}} = \psi^+_{\mathbf{x}}\psi^-_{\mathbf{x}}$, where $\psi^\sigma_{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_\omega \exp(i\sigma\omega p_F x)\psi_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$, if some "reasonable" relationship between the parameters of the two models is assumed. One can make for instance the substitutions $\lambda \to -J_3$ and $p_0^{-1} \to a = 1$, if λ is the coupling in the Luttinger model, a is the chain step and p_0^{-1} is the potential range. Moreover, one expects that it is possible to choose a constant ν of order J_3, so that $h = h_0 + \nu$ and $p_F = \arccos(J_3 - h_0)$, see §1.4 below.

Of course such identification is completely arbitrary, but one can hope that for large distances the function $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ has something to do with the truncated correlation of $\rho_{\mathbf{x}}$, which can be obtained by the general formula (2.5) of [BGM], based on the exact solution of [ML]. There is apparently a problem, since the expectation of $\rho_{\mathbf{x}}$ is infinite; however, it is possible to see that there exists the limit, as $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \to 0^+$, of $[< \rho_{\mathbf{x},\varepsilon_1}\rho_{\mathbf{y},\varepsilon_2} > - < \rho_{\mathbf{x},\varepsilon_1} >< \rho_{\mathbf{y},\varepsilon_2} >]$, where $\rho_{\mathbf{x},\varepsilon} = \psi^+_{(x,x_0+\varepsilon)}\psi^-_{(x,x_0)}$, and it is natural to take this quantity, let us call it $G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$, as the truncated correlation of $\rho_{\mathbf{x}}$.

Let us define $v_0 = \sin p_F$; from (2.5) of [BGM] (by inserting a missing $(-\varepsilon_i\varepsilon_j)$ in the last

sum), it follows that, for $|\mathbf{x}| \to \infty$

$$G(\mathbf{x}) \simeq [1+\lambda a_1(\lambda)] \frac{\cos(2p_F x)}{2\pi^2[(v_0^* x_0)^2+x^2]^{1+\lambda a_3(\lambda)}} + \frac{(v_0 x_0)^2 - x^2}{2\pi^2[(v_0 x_0)^2+x^2]^2} \,, \tag{1.10}$$

where $v_0^* = v_0[1+\lambda a_2(\lambda)]$ and $a_i(\lambda)$, $i = 1,2,3$, are bounded functions. Note that, in the second term in the r.h.s. of (1.10), the bare Fermi velocity v_0 appears, instead of the renormalized one, v_0^*, as one could maybe expect.

In the physical literature, it is more usual the introduction of other ultraviolet cutoffs, such that the resulting model is not exactly soluble, even if $J_1 = J_2$; however, it can be studied heuristically, see [LP], and the resulting density-density correlation function is more or less of the form (1.10).

If $J_1 \neq J_2$, there is no soluble model suitable for a similar analysis of the large distance behaviour of $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$. However, one can guess that the asymptotic behaviour is still of the form (1.10), if $1 << |\mathbf{x}| << 1/|u|^\alpha$, for some α. We shall prove that this is indeed true, with $\alpha = 1 + O(J_3)$.

1.4 In this paper we develop a rigorous renormalization group analysis for the XYZ Hamiltonian in its fermionic form (some "not optimal" bounds for the correlation function $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ were already found in [M2]). As we said before, $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ can be obtained from the exact solution only in the case $J_3 = 0$, when the fermionic theory is a non interacting one. In particular, if $\mathbf{x} = (x,0)$ and $|ux| << 1$, (1.8) and a more detailed analysis of the "small" terms in the r.h.s. (in order to prove that their derivatives of order n decay as $|x|^{-n}$), show that $\Omega^3(x,0)$ is a sum of "oscillating" functions with frequencies $(np_F)/\pi \bmod 1$, $n = 0, \pm 1$, where $p_F = \arccos(-h)$; this means that its Fourier transform has to be a smooth function, even for $u = 0$, in the neighborhood of any momentum $k \neq 0, \pm 2p_F$. These frequencies are proportional to p_F, so they depend only on the external magnetic field h.

If $J_3 \neq 0$, a similar property is satisfied for the leading terms in the asymptotic behaviour, as we shall prove, but the value of p_F depends in general also on u and J_3. For example, if $u = 0$, the Hamiltonian (1.5) is equal, up to a constant, to the Hamiltonian of a free fermion gas with Fermi momentum $p_F = \arccos(J_3 - h)$ plus an interaction term proportional to J_3. As it is well known, the interaction modifies the Fermi momentum of the system by terms of order J_3 and it is convenient (see [BG], for example), in order to study the interacting model, to fix the Fermi momentum to an interaction independent value, by adding a counterterm to the hamiltonian. We proceed here in a similar way, that is we fix p_F and h_0 so that

$$h = h_0 - \nu \,, \qquad \cos p_F = J_3 - h_0 \,, \tag{1.11}$$

and we look for a value of ν, depending on u, J_3, h_0, such that, as in the $J_3 = 0$ case, the leading terms in the asymptotic behaviour of $\Omega^3_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ can be represented as a sum of oscillating functions with frequencies $(np_F)/\pi \bmod 1$, $n = 0, \pm 1$.

As we shall see, we can realize this program only if J_3 is small enough and it turns out that ν is of order J_3. It follows that we can only consider magnetic fields such that $|h| < 1$. Moreover, it is clear that the equation $h = h_0 - \nu(u, J_3, h_0)$ can be inverted, once the function $\nu(u, J_3, h_0)$ has been determined, so that p_F is indeed a function of the parameters appearing in the original model.

If $J_1 = J_2$, it is conjectured, on the base of heuristic calculations, that to fix p_F is equivalent to the impose the condition that, in the limit $L, \beta \to \infty$, the density is fixed ("Luttinger Theorem") to the free model value $\rho = p_F/\pi$. Remembering that $\rho - \frac{1}{2}$ is the magnetization in the 3-direction for the original spin variables, this would mean that to fix p_F is equivalent to fix the magnetization in the 3 direction, by suitably choosing the magnetic field.

If $J_1 \neq J_2$, there is in any case no simple relation between p_F and the mean magnetization, as one can see directly in the case $J_3 = 0$, where one can do explicit calculations. The only exception is the case $p_F = \pi/2$, where one can see that, in the limit $L \to \infty$, $\nu = J_3$ (so that $h = 0$ by (1.11)) and that $< S_x^3 >= 0$. This last property easily follows from the observation that, if one choose $h = 0$ in the original Hamiltonian (1.1), then the expectation of S_x^3 has to be equal to zero, by symmetry reasons, up to terms which go to 0 for $L \to \infty$.

Our main achievement is an expansion of $\Omega^3_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$, to be derived in paper II, which provides a very detailed and explicit description of it. We state in the following theorem some of its properties, but we stress that many other interesting properties of $\Omega^3_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ can be extracted from the expansion.

1.5 THEOREM. *Suppose that the equations (1.11) are satisfied and that $v_0 = \sin p_F \geq \bar{v}_0 > 0$, for some value of $\bar{v}_0$ fixed once for all, and let us define $a_0 = \min\{p_F/2, (\pi - p_F)/2\}$; then the following is true.*

a) There exists a constant ε, such that, if $(u, J_3) \in \mathcal{A}$, with

$$\mathcal{A} = \{(u, J_3) : |u| \leq \frac{a_0}{8(1+\sqrt{2})} , |J_3| \leq \varepsilon\} , \tag{1.12}$$

it is possible to choose ν, so that $|\nu| \leq c|J_3|$, for some constant c independent of L, β, u, J_3, p_F, and the spin correlation function $\Omega^3_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ is a bounded (uniformly in L, β, p_F and $(u, J_3) \in \mathcal{A}$) function of $\mathbf{x} = (x, x_0)$, $x = 1, \ldots, L$, $x_0 \in [0, \beta]$, periodic in x and x_0 of period L and β respectively, continuous as a function of x_0.

b) We can write

$$\Omega^3_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}) = \cos(2p_F x)\Omega^{3,a}_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}) + \Omega^{3,b}_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}) + \Omega^{3,c}_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}) , \tag{1.13}$$

with $\Omega^{3,i}_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$, $i = a, b, c$, continuous bounded functions, which are infinitely times differentiable as functions of x_0, if $i = a, b$. Moreover, there exist two constants η_1 and η_2 of the form

$$\eta_1 = a_1 J_3 + O(J_3^2), \qquad \eta_2 = -a_2 J_3 + O(J_3^2) , \tag{1.14}$$

a_1 and a_2 being positive constants, uniformly bounded in L, β, p_F and $(u, J_3) \in \mathcal{A}$, such that the following is true.

Let us define

$$\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}) = (\frac{L}{\pi}\sin(\frac{\pi x}{L}), \frac{\beta}{\pi}\sin(\frac{\pi x_0}{\beta})) \tag{1.15}$$

and suppose that $|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})| \geq 1$. Then, given any positive integers n and N, there exist positive constants $\vartheta < 1$ and $C_{n,N}$, independent of L, β, p_F and $(u, J_3) \in \mathcal{A}$, so that, for any integers $n_0, n_1 \geq 0$ and putting $n = n_0 + n_1$,

$$|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0}\bar{\partial}_x^{n_1}\Omega_{L,\beta}^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})| \leq \frac{1}{|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|^{2+2\eta_1+n}}\frac{C_{n,N}}{1+[\Delta|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|]^N}\ , \tag{1.16}$$

$$|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0}\bar{\partial}_x^{n_1}\Omega_{L,\beta}^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})| \leq \frac{1}{|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|^{2+n}}\frac{C_{n,N}}{1+[\Delta|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|]^N}\ , \tag{1.17}$$

$$|\Omega_{L,\beta}^{3,c}(\mathbf{x})| \leq \frac{1}{|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|^2}\left[\frac{1}{|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|^{\vartheta}} + \frac{(\Delta|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|)^{\vartheta}}{|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|^{\min\{0,2\eta_1\}}}\right]\frac{C_{0,N}}{1+[\Delta|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|]^N}\ , \tag{1.18}$$

where $\bar{\partial}_x$ denotes the discrete derivative and

$$\Delta = \max\{|u|^{1+\eta_2}, \sqrt{(v_0\beta)^{-2}+L^{-2}}\}\ . \tag{1.19}$$

c) There exist the limits $\Omega^{3,i}(\mathbf{x}) = \lim_{L,\beta\to\infty}\Omega_{L,\beta}^{3,i}(\mathbf{x})$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}\times\mathbb{R}$; they satisfy the bounds (1.16), with $|\mathbf{x}|$ in place of $|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})|$. Moreover, $\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$ are even functions of $\mathbf{x}$ and there exists a constant δ^*, of order J_3, such that, if $1 \leq |\mathbf{x}| \leq \Delta^{-1}$ and $v_0^* = v_0(1+\delta^*)$, given any $N > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1+A_1(\mathbf{x})}{2\pi^2[x^2+(v_0^*x_0)^2]^{1+\eta_1}}\ ,\\ \Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2\pi^2[x^2+(v_0^*x_0)^2]}\Big\{\frac{x_0^2-(x/v_0^*)^2}{x^2+(v_0^*x_0)^2}+A_2(\mathbf{x})\Big\}\ ,\end{aligned} \tag{1.20}$$

$$|A_i(\mathbf{x})| \leq C_N\left\{\frac{1}{1+|\mathbf{x}|^N}+|J_3|+(\Delta|\mathbf{x}|)^{1/2}\right\}\ , \tag{1.21}$$

for some constant C_N.

The function $\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$ is the restriction to $\mathbb{Z}\times\mathbb{R}$ of a function on $\mathbb{R}^2$, satisfying the symmetry relation

$$\Omega^{3,a}(x,x_0) = \Omega^{3,a}\Big(x_0v_0^*, \frac{x}{v_0^*}\Big)\ . \tag{1.22}$$

d) Let $\hat{\Omega}^3(\mathbf{k})$, $\mathbf{k} = (k,k_0) \in [-\pi,\pi]\times\mathbb{R}^1$, the Fourier transform of $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$. For any fixed $\mathbf{k}$ with $\mathbf{k} \neq (0,0), (\pm 2p_F, 0)$, $\hat{\Omega}^3(\mathbf{k})$ is uniformly bounded as $u \to 0$; moreover, for some constant c_2,

$$\begin{aligned}|\hat{\Omega}^3(0,0)| &\leq c_2\left[1+|J_3|\log\frac{1}{\Delta}\right]\ ,\\ |\hat{\Omega}^3(\pm 2p_F,0)| &\leq c_2\frac{1-\Delta^{2\eta_1}}{2\eta_1}\ .\end{aligned} \tag{1.23}$$

Finally, if $u = 0$, $|\hat{\Omega}^3(\mathbf{k})| \leq c_2[1+|J_3|\log|\mathbf{k}|^{-1}]$ near $\mathbf{k} = (0,0)$, and, at $\mathbf{k} = (\pm 2p_F, 0)$, it is singular only if $J_3 < 0$; in this case it diverges as $|\mathbf{k}-(\pm 2p_F,0)|^{2\eta_1}/|\eta_1|$.

e) Let $G(x) = \Omega^3(x,0)$ and $\hat{G}(k)$ its Fourier transform. For any fixed $k \neq 0, \pm 2p_F$, $\hat{G}(k)$ is uniformly bounded as $u \to 0$, together with its first derivative; moreover

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_k \hat{G}(0)| &\leq c_2 \ , \\ |\partial_k \hat{G}(\pm 2p_F)| &\leq c_2(1 + \Delta^{2\eta_1}) \ . \end{aligned} \tag{1.24}$$

Finally, if $u = 0$, $\partial_k \hat{G}(k)$ has a first order discontinuity at $k = 0$, with a jump equal to $1 + O(J_3)$, and, at $k = \pm 2p_F$, it is singular only if $J_3 < 0$; in this case it diverges as $|k - (\pm 2p_F)|^{2\eta_1}$.

1.6 REMARKS.

a)The above theorem holds for any magnetic field h such that $\sin p_F > 0$; remember that the exact solution given in [B] is valid only for $h = 0$. Moreover u has not to be very small, but we only need a bound of order 1 on its value, see (1.12); the only perturbative parameter is J_3. However the interesting (and more difficult) case is when also u is small.

b)A naive estimate of ε is $\varepsilon = c(\sin p_F)^\alpha$, with c, α positive numbers; in other words we must take smaller and smaller J_3 for p_F closer and closer to 0 or π, *i.e.* for magnetic fields of size close to 1. It is unclear at the moment if this is only a technical problem or a property of the model.

c)If $J_1 \neq J_2$ and $J_3 \neq 0$, one can distinguish, like in the $J_3 = 0$ case (1.7), two different regimes in the asymptotic behaviour of the correlation function $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$, discriminated by an intrinsic length ξ, which is approximately given by the inverse of spectral gap, whose size, is of order $|u|^{1+\eta_2}$, see (1.19), in agreement with (1.9), found by the exact solution.

If $1 << |\mathbf{x}| << \xi$, the bounds for the correlation function are the same as in the gapless $J_1 = J_2$ case; if $\xi << |\mathbf{x}|$, there is a faster than any power decay with rate of order ξ^{-1}. In the first region we can obtain the exact large distance asymptotic behaviour of $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$, see (1.20),(1.21); in the second region only an upper bound is obtained. Note that, even in the $J_3 = 0$ case, it is not so easy to obtain a more precise result, if $h \neq 0$, see §1.2.

The spin interaction in the z direction has the effect that the gap becomes anomalous, in the sense that it acquires a *critical index* η_2; the ratio between the "renormalized" and the "bare" gap is very small or very large, if u is small, depending on the sign of J_3.

d)It is useful to compare the expression for the large distance behaviour of $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ in the case $u = 0$ with its analogous for the Luttinger model, see §1.3. A first difference is that, while in the Luttinger model the Fermi momentum is independent of the interaction, in the XYZ model in general *it is changed non trivially* by the interaction, unless the magnetic external field is zero, *i.e.* $p_F = \frac{\pi}{2}$. The reason is that the Luttinger model has special parity properties which are not satisfied by the XYZ chain (except if the magnetic field is vanishing).

e)Another peculiar property of the Luttinger model correlation function is that it depends on p_F only through the factor $\cos(2p_F x)$; this is true not only for the asymptotic behaviour

(1.10), but also for the complete expression given in [BGM], and is due to a special symmetry of the Luttinger model (the Fermi momentum disappears from the Hamiltonian if a suitable redefinition of the fermionic fields is done, see [BGM]). This property is of course not true in the XYZ model and in fact the dependence on p_F of $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ is very complicated. However we prove that $\Omega^3(\mathbf{x})$ can be written as sum of three terms, see (1.13), and the first two terms are very similar to the two terms in the r.h.s. of (1.10). In particular, the functions $\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$ have the same power decay as the analogous functions in the Luttinger model and are "free of oscillations", in the sense that each derivative increases the decay power of one unit, see (1.16),(1.17).

This is not true for the third term $\Omega^{3,c}(\mathbf{x})$, which does not satisfy a similar bound, because of the presence of oscillating contributions. However we can prove that such term, if $u = 0$, is negligible for large distances, see (1.18) (note that ϑ is J_3 and u independent, unlike η_1). Of course this is true only for small J_3 and it could be that $\Omega^{3,c}(\mathbf{x})$ plays an important role for larger J_3.

If we compare, in the case $u = 0$, the functions $\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$, see (1.20), with the corresponding ones in the Luttinger model, see (1.10), we see that they differ essentially for the non oscillating functions $A_i(\mathbf{x})$, containing terms of higher order in our expansion. However, this difference is not important in the case of $\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$, which also satisfies the same symmetry property (1.22) as the analogue in the Luttinger model, of course with different values of v_0^*; note that the validity of (1.22) allows to interpret v_0^* as the *renormalized Fermi velocity*. Guided by the analogy with the Luttinger model, one would like to prove a similar property for $\Omega^{3b}(\mathbf{x})$ with v_0 replacing v_0^*; such property holds in fact for the Luttinger model, see (1.10). However we were not able to prove a similar properties for $A_2(\mathbf{x})$, and this has some influence on our results, see below.

f)Another important property of the Luttinger model correlation function is the fact that the "not oscillating term", that is the term corresponding to $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$, *does not acquire a critical index*, contrary to what happens for the term corresponding to $\cos(2p_F x)\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$. Hence one is naturally led to the conjecture that the critical index of $\Omega^{3,b}_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ is still vanishing, see for instance [Sp]. In our expansion, the critical index of $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$ is represented as a convergent series, but, even if an explicit computation of the first order term gives a vanishing result, it is not obvious that this is true at any order. However, due to some hidden symmetries of the model (*i.e.* symmetries approximately enjoyed by the relevant part of the effective interaction), we can prove a suitable *approximate Ward identity*, implying that all the coefficients of the series are indeed vanishing.

g) The above properties can be used to study the Fourier transform $\hat{G}(k)$ of the equal time correlation function $G(x) = \Omega^3(x, 0)$. If $J_3 = 0$, $\hat{G}(k)$ is bounded together with its first order derivative up to $u = 0$; in fact, the possible logarithmic divergence at $k = \pm 2p_F$ and $k = 0$ (if $u = 0$) of $\partial\hat{G}(k)$ is changed by the parity properties of $G(x)$ in a first order

discontinuity.

If $J_3 \neq 0$, $\partial\hat{G}(k)$ behaves near $k = \pm 2p_F$ in a completely different way. In fact it is bounded and continuous if $J_3 > 0$, while it has a power like singularity, if $u = 0$ and $J_3 < 0$, see item e) of Theorem (1.5). This is due to the fact that the critical index η_1, characterizing the asymptotic behaviour of $\Omega^{3,a}(\mathbf{x})$, has the same sign of J_3 (note that η_1 has nothing to do with the critical index η related with the two point fermionic Schwinger function, which is $O((J_3)^2)$).

On the other hand, the behaviour of $\partial\hat{G}(k)$ near $k = 0$ is the same for the Luttinger model, the XYZ model and the free fermionic gas ($J_1 = J_2$, $J_3 = 0$) (see also [Sp] for a heuristic explanation). This is due to the vanishing of the critical index related with $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$ and to the parity properties of the leading terms, which change, as in the $J_3 = 0$ case, the apparent dimensional logarithmic divergence in a first order discontinuity,

h) If $u = 0$, the (two dimensional) Fourier transform can be singular only at $\mathbf{k} = (0, 0)$ and $\mathbf{k} = (\pm 2p_F, 0)$. If $J_3 = 0$, the singularity is logarithmic at $\mathbf{k} = (\pm 2p_F, 0)$; if $J_3 \neq 0$, the singularity is removed if $J_3 > 0$, while it is enhanced to a power like singularity if $J_3 < 0$, see item d) in the Theorem (1.5). Hence, the singularity at $\mathbf{k} = (\pm 2p_F, 0)$ is of the same type as in the Luttinger model, see (1.10).

However, we can not conclude that the same is true for the Fourier transform at $\mathbf{k} = 0$, which is bounded in the Luttinger model, while we can not exclude a logarithmic divergence. In order to get such a stronger result, it would be sufficient to prove that the function $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$ is odd in the exchange of (x, x_0) with $(x_0 v, x/v)$, for some v; this property is true for the leading term corresponding to $\Omega^{3,b}(\mathbf{x})$ in (1.10), with $v = v_0$, but seems impossible to prove on the base of our expansion. We can only see this symmetry for the leading term, with $v = v_0^*$ (or any other value v differing for terms of order J_3, since the substitution of v_0^* with v would not affect the bound (1.21)), but this is only sufficient to prove that the singularity has to be of order J_3, at least.

i) Our theorem cannot be proved by building a multiscale renormalized expansion, neither by taking as the "free model" the XY one and J_3 as the perturbative parameter, nor by taking as the free model the XXY one and u as the perturbative parameter. In fact, in order to solve the model, one cannot perform a single Bogoliubov transformation as in the $J_3 = 0$ case; the gap has a non trivial flow and one has to perform a different Bogoliubov transformation for each renormalization group integration. This can be seen clearly in (2.66), which is the fermionic integration of a fermionic theory with gap σ_h and wave function renormalization Z_h. If $J_3 = 0$, then $\sigma_h = u$ and $Z_h = 1$, but, if $J_3 \neq 0$, they are rapidly varying functions of h.

l) If $u = 0$, the critical indices and ν can be computed with any prefixed precision; we write explicitly in the theorem only the first order for simplicity. However, if $u \neq 0$, they are not fixed uniquely; for what concerns ν, this means that, in the gapped case, the system

is insensitive to variations of the magnetic field much smaller than the gap size.

m) There is no reason to restrict the analysis to a nearest-neighbor Hamiltonian like (1.1); it will be clear in the following that our results still holds for non nearest-neighbor spin hamiltonians, as such hamiltonians differ from (1.1) for *irrelevant* (in the RG sense) terms; see also [Spe], where the case $J_3 = 0$ is studied.

n) The same techniques could perhaps be used to study $\Omega^1_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\Omega^2_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$, however this problem is more difficult, as one has to study the average of the exponential of the sum of fermionic density operators, see(1.4). In the $J_3 = 0$ case the evaluation of $\Omega^1_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ and $\Omega^2_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ was done in [Mc].

1.7 The proof of the theorem is organized into two parts.

In the present paper we define a Renormalization Group expansion for the effective potential and the ground state energy of the XYZ model, see §(2). One has to perform a multiscale analysis with a different Bogoliubov transformation for each renormalization group integration. A definition of localization operator is introduced, which is different with respect to the one suggested by a simple power counting argument. In §(3) we prove that such expansion is convergent if the running coupling constants are small enough.

Despite we are interested in $\Omega^3_{\mathbf{x}}$, we study in detail the convergence of the effective potential and the ground state energy for pedagogical reasons as the expansion for $\Omega^3_{\mathbf{x}}$ is clearer once the expansion for the effective potential is understood. The proof of the convergence requires some care as the power counting has to be improved. Moreover we pay attention to perform all the estimates taking finite L, β; this requires some care, as the preceding analysis of similar problems were not so careful about this point.

While in this paper we deal essentially with convergence problems of the renormalized expansions, in the subsequent one we have to analyze carefully the expansions in order to exploit the cancellations, based on symmetry properties, which allow to complete the proof of the theorem; the convergence of the expansion for $\Omega^3_{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x})$ is a corollary of the analogous proof given in this paper for the effective potential or the ground state energy.

2. Multiscale decomposition and anomalous integration

2.1 The Hamiltonian (1.5) can be written, if U_L^2 is chosen as explained in §1.1 and the definitions (1.11) are used, in the following way (by neglecting a constant term):

$$H = \sum_{x\in\Lambda} \Big\{ (\cos p_F + \nu) a_x^+ a_x^- \; - \frac{1}{2}[a_x^+ a_{x+1}^- + a_{x+1}^+ a_x^-] - \\ - \frac{u}{2}[a_x^+ a_{x+1}^+ + a_{x+1}^- a_x^-] + \lambda (a_x^+ a_x^-)(a_{x+1}^+ a_{x+1}^-) \Big\} \; , \tag{2.1}$$

where Λ is an interval of L points on the one-dimensional lattice of step one, which will chosen equal to $(-[L/2], [(L-1)/2])$, the fermionic field $a_x^\pm$ satisfies periodic boundary conditions and

$$\lambda = -J_3 \; . \tag{2.2}$$

The Hamiltonian (2.1) will be considered as a perturbation of the Hamiltonian H_0 of a system of free fermions in Λ with unit mass and chemical potential $\mu = 1 - \cos p_F$ ($u = J_3 = \nu = 0$); p_F is the *Fermi momentum*. This system will have, at zero temperature, density $\rho = p_F/\pi$, corresponding to magnetization $\rho - 1/2$ in the 3-direction for the original spin system. Since p_F is not uniquely defined at finite volume, we choose it so that

$$p_F = \frac{2\pi}{L}(n_F + \frac{1}{2}) \; , \quad n_F \in \mathbb{N} \; , \quad \lim_{L\to\infty} p_F = \pi\rho \tag{2.3}$$

This means, in particular, that p_F is not an allowed momentum of the fermions.

We consider also the operators $a_{\mathbf{x}}^\pm = e^{x_0 H} a_x^\pm e^{-H x_0}$, with

$$\mathbf{x} = (x, x_0) \; , \quad -\beta/2 \le x_0 \le \beta/2 \; , \tag{2.4}$$

for some $\beta > 0$; on x_0, which we shall call the time variable, antiperiodic boundary conditions are imposed.

Many interesting physical properties of the fermionic system at inverse temperature β can be expressed in terms of the *Schwinger functions*, that is the truncated expectations in the Grand Canonical Ensemble of the time order product of the field $a_{\mathbf{x}}^\pm$ at different space-time points. There is of course a relation between these functions and the expectations of some suitable observables in the spin system. However, by looking at (1.4), one sees that this relation is simple enough only in the case of the truncated expectations of the time order product of the fermionic *density operator* $\rho_{\mathbf{x}} = a_{\mathbf{x}}^+ a_{\mathbf{x}}^-$ at different space-time points, which we shall call the *density Schwinger functions*; they coincide with the truncated expectations of the time order product of the operator $S_{\mathbf{x}}^3 = e^{x_0 H} S_x^3 e^{-H x_0}$ at different space-time points.

As it is well known, the Schwinger functions can be written as power series in λ and u, convergent for $|\lambda|, |u| \le \varepsilon_\beta$, for some constant ε_β (the only trivial bound of ε_β goes to zero, as $\beta \to \infty$). This power expansion is constructed in the usual way in terms of Feynman

graphs, by using as *free propagator* the function

$$g^{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) = \frac{\mathrm{Tr}\left[e^{-\beta H_0}\mathbf{T}(a^-_{\mathbf{x}}a^+_{\mathbf{y}})\right]}{\mathrm{Tr}[e^{-\beta H_0}]} = \\ = \frac{1}{L}\sum_{k\in\mathcal{D}_L} e^{-ik(x-y)}\left\{\frac{e^{-\tau e(k)}}{1+e^{-\beta e(k)}}\mathbf{1}(\tau>0) - \frac{e^{-(\beta+\tau)e(k)}}{1+e^{-\beta e(k)}}\mathbf{1}(\tau\le 0)\right\}, \tag{2.5}$$

where $\mathbf{T}$ is the time order product, $N=\sum_{x\in\Lambda} a^+_x a^+_x$, $\tau = x_0 - y_0$, $\mathbf{1}(E)$ denotes the indicator function ($\mathbf{1}(E)=1$, if E is true, $\mathbf{1}(E)=0$ otherwise),

$$e(k) = \cos p_F - \cos k\,, \tag{2.6}$$

and $\mathcal{D}_L \equiv \{k = 2\pi n/L, n\in\mathbb{Z}, -[L/2]\le n\le [(L-1)/2]\}$.

It is also well known that, if $x_0\neq y_0$, $g^{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) = \lim_{M\to\infty} g^{L,\beta,M}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$, where

$$g^{L,\beta,M}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}} \frac{e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}}{-ik_0+\cos p_F-\cos k}\,, \tag{2.7}$$

$\mathbf{k}=(k,k_0)$, $\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} = k_0x_0+kx$, $\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}\equiv\mathcal{D}_L\times\mathcal{D}_\beta$, $\mathcal{D}_\beta\equiv\{k_0 = 2(n+1/2)\pi/\beta, n\in Z, -M\le n\le M-1\}$. Note that $g^{L,\beta,M}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ is real, $\forall M$.

Hence, if we introduce a finite set of Grassmanian variables $\{\hat a^\pm_{\mathbf{k}}\}$, one for each $\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$, and a linear functional $P(da)$ on the generated Grassmanian algebra, such that

$$\int P(da)\hat a^-_{\mathbf{k}_1}\hat a^+_{\mathbf{k}_2} = L\beta\delta_{\mathbf{k}_1,\mathbf{k}_2}\hat g(\mathbf{k}_1)\,,\quad \hat g(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{-ik_0+\cos p_F-\cos k}\,, \tag{2.8}$$

we have

$$\lim_{M\to\infty}\frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}\,\hat g(\mathbf{k}) = \lim_{M\to\infty}\int P(da)a^-_{\mathbf{x}}a^+_{\mathbf{y}} \equiv g^{L,\beta}(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{y})\,, \tag{2.9}$$

where the *Grassmanian field* $a_{\mathbf{x}}$ is defined by

$$a^\pm_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}}\hat a^\pm_{\mathbf{k}}e^{\pm i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}\,. \tag{2.10}$$

The "Gaussian measure" $P(da)$ has a simple representation in terms of the "Lebesgue Grassmanian measure" $\prod_{\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}} da^+_{\mathbf{k}}da^-_{\mathbf{k}}$, defined as the linear functional on the Grassmanian algebra, such that, given a monomial $Q(a^-,a^+)$ in the variables $a^-_{\mathbf{k}}, a^+_{\mathbf{k}}$, $\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$, its value is 0, except in the case $Q(a^-,a^+) = \prod_{\mathbf{k}}\hat a^-_{\mathbf{k}}\hat a^+_{\mathbf{k}}$, up to a permutation of the variables. In this case the value of the functional is determined, by using the anticommuting properties of the variables, by the condition

$$\int\left[\prod_{\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}} da^+_{\mathbf{k}}da^-_{\mathbf{k}}\right]\prod_{\mathbf{k}\in\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}}\hat a^-_{\mathbf{k}}\hat a^+_{\mathbf{k}} = 1 \tag{2.11}$$

We have

$$P(da) = \Big\{\prod_{\mathbf{k}}(L\beta\hat g_{\mathbf{k}})\hat a^+_{\mathbf{k}}\hat a^-_{\mathbf{k}}\Big\}\exp\Big\{-\sum_{\mathbf{k}}(L\beta\hat g_{\mathbf{k}})^{-1}\hat a^+_{\mathbf{k}}\hat a^-_{\mathbf{k}}\Big\}\,. \tag{2.12}$$

Note that, since $(\hat{a}^-_{\mathbf{k}})^2 = (\hat{a}^+_{\mathbf{k}})^2 = 0$, $e^{-z\hat{a}^+_{\mathbf{k}}\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}} = 1 - z\hat{a}^+_{\mathbf{k}}\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}$, for any complex z.

Remark. The *ultraviolet cutoff* M on the k_0 variable was introduced so that the Grassman algebra is finite; this implies that the Grassmanian integration is indeed a simple algebraic operation and all quantities that appear in the calculations are finite sums. However, M does not play any essential role in this paper, since all bounds will be uniform with respect to M and they easily imply the existence of the limit. Hence, we shall not stress the dependence on M of the various quantities we shall study.

By using standard arguments (see, for example, [NO], where a different regularization of the propagator is used), one can show that the partition function and the Schwinger functions can be calculated as expectations of suitable functions of the Grassmanian field with respect to the "Gaussian measure" $P(da)$. In particular the partition function $\mathrm{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}]$ is equal to $\mathcal{Z}_{L,\beta}\mathrm{Tr}[e^{-\beta H_0}]$, with

$$\mathcal{Z}_{L,\beta} = \int P(da) e^{-\mathcal{V}(a)} \ , \tag{2.13}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{V}(a) = uV_u(a) + \lambda V_\lambda(a) + \nu N(a) \ , \\
&V_\lambda(a) = \sum_{x,y\in\Lambda} \int_{-\beta/2}^{\beta/2} dx_0 \int_{-\beta/2}^{\beta/2} dy_0 v_\lambda(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) a^+_{\mathbf{x}} a^+_{\mathbf{y}} a^-_{\mathbf{y}} a^-_{\mathbf{x}} \ , \qquad N(a) = \sum_{x\in\Lambda} \int_{-\beta/2}^{\beta/2} dx_0 a^+_{\mathbf{x}} a^-_{\mathbf{x}} \ , \\
&V_u(a) = \sum_{x,y\in\Lambda} \int_{-\beta/2}^{\beta/2} dx_0 \int_{-\beta/2}^{\beta/2} dy_0 v_u(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) \Big[a^+_{\mathbf{x}} a^+_{\mathbf{y}} - a^-_{\mathbf{x}} a^-_{\mathbf{y}} \Big]
\end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

where

$$v_\lambda(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{2}\delta_{1,|x-y|}\delta(x_0-y_0) \ , \quad v_u(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{2}\delta_{x,y+1}\delta(x_0-y_0) \ . \tag{2.15}$$

Note that the parameter ν has been introduced in order to fix the singularities of the interacting propagator to the values of the free model, that is $\mathbf{k} = (0, \pm p_F)$. Hence ν is a function of λ, u, p_F, which has to be fixed so that the perturbation expansion is convergent (uniformly in L, β). This choice of ν has also the effect of fixing the singularities of the spin correlation function Fourier transform, as we explained in the introduction, see §1.4.

Note that, if $p_F = \pi/2$, one can prove that $\nu = -\lambda$, by using simple symmetry properties of our expansion; this implies, by using (1.11), that $h = 0$.

If $u = 0$, it is conjectured, on the base of heuristic calculations, that this condition is equivalent to the condition that, in the limit $L, \beta \to \infty$, the density is fixed ("Luttinger Theorem") to the free model value $\rho = p_F/\pi$. If $u \neq 0$, there is no simple relation between the value of p_F and the density, as one can see directly in the case $\lambda = 0$, where one can do explicit calculations.

2.2 We shall begin our analysis by rewriting the *potential* $\mathcal{V}(a)$ as

$$\mathcal{V}(a) = \mathcal{V}^{(1)}(a) + uV_u(a) + \delta^* V_\delta(a) \ , \tag{2.16}$$

where

$$\mathcal{V}^{(1)}(a) = \lambda V_\lambda(a) + \nu N(a) - \delta^* V_\delta(a) \,, \tag{2.17}$$

and

$$V_\delta(a) = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} e(k) \hat{a}^+_{\mathbf{k}} \hat{a}^-_{\mathbf{k}} \,. \tag{2.18}$$

δ^* is an arbitrary parameter, to be fixed later, of modulus smaller than $1/2$; its introduction is not really necessary, but allows to simplify the discussion of the spin correlation function asymptotic behaviour. In terms of the Fermionic system, it will describe the modification of the Fermi velocity due to the interaction.

Afterwards we "move" the terms $uV_u(a)$ and $\delta^* V_\delta(a)$ from the interaction to the Gaussian measure. In order to describe the properties of the new Gaussian measure, it is convenient to introduce a new set of Grassmanian variables $\hat{b}^\sigma_{\mathbf{k},\omega}$, $\omega = \pm 1$, $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta}$, by defining

$$\mathcal{D}^\omega_{L,\beta} = \{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta} : \omega k > 0\} \cup \{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta} : k = 0, \omega k_0 > 0\} \,, \tag{2.19}$$

$$\hat{b}^\sigma_{\mathbf{k},\omega} = \hat{a}^{\sigma\omega}_{\omega\mathbf{k}} \,, \tag{2.20}$$

so that, by using (2.10)

$$a^\sigma_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta},\ \omega = \pm 1} \hat{b}^{\sigma\omega}_{\mathbf{k},\omega} e^{i\sigma\omega\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \,. \tag{2.21}$$

It is easy to see that

$$\mathcal{Z}_{L,\beta} = e^{-L\beta t_1} \int P(db) e^{-\tilde{\mathcal{V}}^{(1)}(b)} \,, \tag{2.22}$$

with $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}^{(1)}(b) = \mathcal{V}^{(1)}(a)$, where a has to be interpreted as the r.h.s. of (2.21),

$$\begin{aligned} P(db) = \Big\{ \prod_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta}} \frac{(L\beta)^2}{-k_0^2 - (1+\delta^*)^2 e(k)^2 - u^2 \sin^2 k} \prod_{\omega = \pm 1} \hat{b}^+_{\mathbf{k},\omega} \hat{b}^-_{\mathbf{k},\omega} \Big\} \cdot \\ \cdot \ \exp\Big\{ - \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta}} \sum_{\omega,\omega'} \hat{b}^+_{\mathbf{k},\omega} T_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{k}) \hat{b}^-_{\mathbf{k},\omega} \Big\} \,, \end{aligned} \tag{2.23}$$

$$T(\mathbf{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} -ik_0 + (1+\delta^*)e(k) & iu \sin k \\ -iu \sin k & -ik_0 - (1+\delta^*)e(k) \end{pmatrix} \,, \tag{2.24}$$

$$t_1 = -\frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta}} \log \frac{k_0^2 + (1+\delta^*)e(k)^2 + u^2 \sin^2 k}{k_0^2 + e(k)^2} \,. \tag{2.25}$$

Note that t_1 is uniformly bounded as $L, \beta \to \infty$, if $|\delta^*| \le 1/2$, as we are supposing. For $\lambda = \nu = \delta^* = 0$, it represents the free energy for lattice site of $H - H_0$.

2.3 For $\lambda = \nu = 0$, all the properties of the model can be analyzed in terms of the Grassmanian measure (2.23). In particular, we have

$$\int P(db) a^{\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{x}} a^{\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta}} \Big[e^{-i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} T^{-1}(\mathbf{k})_{-\sigma_1,\sigma_2} - e^{i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} T^{-1}(\mathbf{k})_{-\sigma_2,\sigma_1} \Big] \,, \tag{2.26}$$

where $T^{-1}(\mathbf{k})$ denotes the inverse of the matrix $T(\mathbf{k})$. This matrix is defined for any $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$ and satisfies the symmetry relation

$$T^{-1}(\mathbf{k})_{-\sigma_2,\sigma_1} = -T^{-1}(-\mathbf{k})_{-\sigma_1,\sigma_2} \ , \tag{2.27}$$

so that we can write (2.26) also in the form

$$\int P(db) a_{\mathbf{x}}^{\sigma_1} a_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma_2} = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} T^{-1}(\mathbf{k})_{-\sigma_1,\sigma_2} \ . \tag{2.28}$$

If $\lambda \neq 0$, we shall study the model, for λ small, in terms of a perturbative expansion, based on a multiscale decomposition of the measure (2.23), by using the methods introduced in [BG] and extended in various other papers ([BGPS], [BM1], [M1]). In order to discuss the structure of the expansion, it is convenient to explain first how it works in the case of the free energy for site of $H - H_0$

$$E_{L,\beta} = -\frac{1}{L\beta} \log \mathcal{Z}_{L,\beta} \ . \tag{2.29}$$

Let T^1 be the one dimensional torus, $||k - k'||_{T^1}$ the usual distance between k and k' in T^1 and $||k|| = ||k - 0||$. We introduce a *scaling parameter* $\gamma > 1$ and a positive function $\chi(\mathbf{k}') \in C^\infty(T^1 \times R)$, $\mathbf{k}' = (k', k_0)$, such that

$$\chi(\mathbf{k}') = \chi(-\mathbf{k}') = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |\mathbf{k}'| < t_0 \equiv a_0 v_0^*/\gamma \ , \\ 0 & \text{if } |\mathbf{k}'| > a_0 v_0^* \ , \end{cases} \tag{2.30}$$

where

$$|\mathbf{k}'| = \sqrt{k_0^2 + (v_0^* ||k'||_{T^1})^2} \ , \tag{2.31}$$

$$a_0 = \min\{p_F/2, (\pi - p_F)/2\} \ , \tag{2.32}$$

$$v_0^* = v_0(1 + \delta^*) \ , \qquad v_0 = \sin p_F \ . \tag{2.33}$$

In order to give a well defined meaning to the definition (2.30), $v_0^* > 0$ has to be positive. Hence we shall suppose that

$$v_0 \geq \bar{v}_0 > 0 \ , \quad |\delta^*| \leq \frac{1}{2} \ , \tag{2.34}$$

where $\bar{v}_0$ is fixed once for all. All our results will be uniform in v_0, under the conditions (2.34), but we shall not stress this fact anymore in the following.

The definition (2.30) is such that the supports of $\chi(k - p_F, k_0)$ and $\chi(k + p_F, k_0)$ are disjoint and the C^∞ function on $T^1 \times R$

$$\hat{f}_1(\mathbf{k}) \equiv 1 - \chi(k - p_F, k_0) - \chi(k + p_F, k_0) \tag{2.35}$$

is equal to 0, if $[v_0^* ||(|k| - p_F)||_{T^1}]^2 + k_0^2 < t_0^2$.

We define also, for any integer $h \leq 0$,

$$f_h(\mathbf{k}') = \chi(\gamma^{-h}\mathbf{k}') - \chi(\gamma^{-h+1}\mathbf{k}') \ ; \tag{2.36}$$

we have, for any $\bar{h} < 0$,

$$\chi(\mathbf{k}') = \sum_{h=\bar{h}+1}^{0} f_h(\mathbf{k}') + \chi(\gamma^{-\bar{h}}\mathbf{k}') \, . \tag{2.37}$$

Note that, if $h \le 0$, $f_h(\mathbf{k}') = 0$ for $|\mathbf{k}'| < t_0\gamma^{h-1}$ or $|\mathbf{k}'| > t_0\gamma^{h+1}$, and $f_h(\mathbf{k}') = 1$, if $|\mathbf{k}'| = t_0\gamma^h$, so that

$$f_{h_1}(\mathbf{k}')f_{h_2}(\mathbf{k}') = 0 \, , \quad \text{if} \ \ |h_1 - h_2| > 1 \, . \tag{2.38}$$

We finally define, for any $h \le 0$:

$$\hat{f}_h(\mathbf{k}) = f_h(k - p_F, k_0) + f_h(k + p_F, k_0) \, ; \tag{2.39}$$

This definition implies that, if $h \le 0$, the support of $\hat{f}_h(\mathbf{k})$ is the union of two disjoint sets, A_h^+ and A_h^-. In A_h^+, k is strictly positive and $||k - p_F||_{T^1} \le a_0\gamma^h \le a_0$, while, in A_h^-, k is strictly negative and $||k + p_F||_{T^1} \le a_0\gamma^h$.

The label h is called the *scale* or *frequency* label. Note that, if $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$, then $|\mathbf{k} \pm (p_F, 0)| \ge \sqrt{(\pi\beta^{-1})^2 + (v_0^*\pi L^{-1})^2}$, by (2.3) and the definition of $\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$. Therefore

$$\hat{f}_h(\mathbf{k}) = 0 \quad \forall h < h_{L,\beta} = \min\{h : t_0\gamma^{h+1} > \sqrt{(\pi\beta^{-1})^2 + (v_0^*\pi L^{-1})^2}\} \, , \tag{2.40}$$

and, if $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$, the definitions (2.35) and (2.39), together with the identity (2.37), imply that

$$1 = \sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} \hat{f}_h(\mathbf{k}) \, . \tag{2.41}$$

We now introduce, for each scale label h, such that $h_{L,\beta} \le h \le 1$, a set of Grassmanian variables $b_{\mathbf{k},\omega}^{(h)\sigma}$ and a corresponding Gaussian measure $P(db^{(h)})$, such that, if $h = 1$, then $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$ and

$$\int P(db^{(1)}) b_{\mathbf{k}_1,\omega_1}^{(1)-\sigma_1} b_{\mathbf{k}_2,\omega_2}^{(1)\sigma_2} = L\beta\sigma_1\delta_{\sigma_1,\sigma_2}\delta_{\mathbf{k}_1,\mathbf{k}_2}\frac{1}{2}T^{-1}(\mathbf{k}_1)_{\omega_1,\omega_2}\hat{f}_1(\mathbf{k}_1) \, , \tag{2.42}$$

while, if $h \le 0$, then $\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}^+$ and

$$\int P(db^{(h)}) b_{\mathbf{k}_1,\omega_1}^{(h)-\sigma_1} b_{\mathbf{k}_2,\omega_2}^{(h)\sigma_2} = L\beta\sigma_1\delta_{\sigma_1,\sigma_2}\delta_{\mathbf{k}_1,\mathbf{k}_2}T^{-1}(\mathbf{k}_1)_{\omega_1,\omega_2}f_h(k_1 - p_F, k_0) \, . \tag{2.43}$$

The support properties of the r.h.s. of (2.42) and (2.43) allow to impose the condition

$$b_{\mathbf{k},\omega}^{(h)\sigma} = 0, \quad \text{if } \hat{f}_h(\mathbf{k}) = 0 \, . \tag{2.44}$$

By using (2.26) and (2.27), it is easy to see that

$$\int P(db) a_{\mathbf{x}}^{\sigma_1} a_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma_2} = \sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} \sum_{\omega_1,\omega_2} \int P(db^{(h)}) b_{\mathbf{x},\omega_1}^{(h)\sigma_1\omega_1} b_{\mathbf{y},\omega_2}^{(h)\sigma_2\omega_2} \, , \tag{2.45}$$

where, if $h \le 0$,

$$b_{\mathbf{x},\omega}^{(h)\sigma} = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}^+} \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k},\omega}^{(h)\sigma} e^{i\sigma\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \, , \tag{2.46}$$

while, if $h = 1$, a similar definition is used, with $\mathcal{D}_{L,\beta}$ in place of $\mathcal{D}^+_{L,\beta}$. Note that this different definition, which is at the origin of the factor $1/2$ in the r.h.s. of (2.42), is not really necessary, but implies that $\int P(db^{(1)}) b^{(1)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega_1} b^{(h)+}_{\mathbf{y},\omega_2}$ is bounded for $M \to \infty$, a property which should otherwise be true only for $\sum_{\omega_1,\omega_2} \int P(db^{(1)}) b^{(1)\sigma_1\omega_1}_{\mathbf{x},\omega_1} b^{(h)\sigma_2\omega_2}_{\mathbf{y},\omega_2}$. In the following, we shall use this property in order to simplify the discussion in some minor points.

The identity (2.45), as it is well known, implies that, if $F(a)$ is any function of the variables $a^\sigma_{\mathbf{x}}$, then

$$\int P(da) F(a) = \int \prod_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} P(db^{(h)}) F\Big(\sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} a^{(h)} \Big) , \tag{2.47}$$

where

$$a^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{\omega=\pm 1} b^{(h)\sigma\omega}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} . \tag{2.48}$$

It is now convenient to introduce a variable which measures the distance of the momentum from the Fermi surface, by putting $k = k' + p_F$, with $k' \in \mathcal{D}'_L = \{k' = 2(n+1/2)\pi/L, n \in \mathbb{Z}, -[L/2] \le n \le [(L-1)/2]\}$. Moreover, we rename the Grassmanian variables, by defining

$$\hat\psi^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} = \hat b^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}'+\mathbf{p}_F,\omega} , \quad \psi^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k}' \in \mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} e^{i\sigma\mathbf{k}'\mathbf{x}} \hat\psi^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} , \tag{2.49}$$

where $\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta} = \mathcal{D}'_L \times \mathcal{D}_\beta$, $\mathbf{k}' = (k', k_0)$ and $\mathbf{p}_F = (p_F, 0)$. Note that, by (2.44),

$$\hat\psi^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \hat f_h(\mathbf{k}' + \mathbf{p}_F) = 0 . \tag{2.50}$$

The definition (2.49) allows to write (2.48) in the form

$$a^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{\omega} e^{i\sigma\omega\mathbf{p}_F\mathbf{x}} \psi^{(h)\sigma\omega}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} . \tag{2.51}$$

The measure $P(db^{(h)})$ can be thought in a natural way as a measure on the variables $\psi^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$, that we shall denote $P(d\psi^{(h)})$. Then, (2.43) and (2.49) imply that, if $h \le 1$,

$$\int P(d\psi^{(h)})\, \hat\psi^{(h)-\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{k}'_1,\omega_1} \hat\psi^{(h)\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{k}'_2,\omega_2} = (1 - \frac{1}{2}\delta_{h,1}) L\beta\sigma_1 \delta_{\sigma_1,\sigma_2} \delta_{\mathbf{k}'_1,\mathbf{k}'_2} \tilde g^{(h)}_{\omega_1,\omega_2}(\mathbf{k}'_1) , \tag{2.52}$$

where, if $f_1(\mathbf{k}') \equiv \hat f_1(\mathbf{k}' + \mathbf{p}_F)$,

$$\tilde g^{(h)}(\mathbf{k}') = \frac{f_h(\mathbf{k}')}{-k_0^2 - E(k')^2 - u^2 \sin^2(k' + p_F)} \begin{pmatrix} -ik_0 - E(k') & -iu\sin(k'+p_F) \\ iu\sin(k'+p_F) & -ik_0 + E(k') \end{pmatrix} , \tag{2.53}$$

$$E(k') = v_0^* \sin k' + (1+\delta^*)(1 - \cos k') \cos p_F . \tag{2.54}$$

In the following we shall use also the notation

$$\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} = \sum_{h'=h_{L,\beta}}^{h} \psi^{(h')\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} \quad , \quad P(d\psi^{(\le h)}) = \prod_{h'=h_{L,\beta}}^{h} P(d\psi^{(h')}) , \tag{2.55}$$

which allows to write the identity (2.47) as

$$\int P(da) F(a) = \int P(d\psi^{(\le 1)}) \tilde F(\psi^{(\le 1)}) , \tag{2.56}$$

where $\tilde{F}(\psi^{(\le 1)})$ is obtained from $F(\sum_h a^{(h)})$, by using (2.51).

Remark. Note that the sum over k_0 in (2.49) can be thought as a finite sum for any M, if $h \le 0$, because of the support properties of $\hat{\psi}^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}$. Hence, all quantities that we shall calculate will depend on M only trough the propagator $\tilde{g}^{(1)}(\mathbf{k}')$, if M is large enough.

2.4 If we apply (2.56) to $\mathcal{Z}_{L,\beta}$ and we use (2.29) and (2.22), we get

$$e^{-L\beta E_{L,\beta}} = e^{-L\beta t_1} \int P(d\psi^{(\le 1)}) e^{-\mathcal{V}^{(1)}(\psi^{(\le 1)})} , \tag{2.57}$$

where

$$\mathcal{V}^{(1)}(\psi^{(\le 1)}) = \lambda V_\lambda(\sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} a^{(h)}) + \nu N(\sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} a^{(h)}) - \delta^* V_\delta(\sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} a^{(h)}) . \tag{2.58}$$

Let us now perform the integration over $\psi^{(1)}$; we get

$$e^{-L\beta E_{L,\beta}} = e^{-L\beta(\bar{E}_1+t_1)} \int P(d\psi^{(\le 0)})\, e^{-\bar{\mathcal{V}}^{(0)}(\psi^{(\le 0)})} , \quad \bar{\mathcal{V}}^{(0)}(0) = 0 , \tag{2.59}$$

$$e^{-\bar{\mathcal{V}}^{(0)}(\psi^{(\le 0)}) - L\beta\bar{E}_1} = \int P(d\psi^{(+1)}) e^{-\mathcal{V}^{(1)}(\psi^{(\le 0)}+\psi^{(+1)})} . \tag{2.60}$$

This step is essentially trivial. In fact, it is easy to see that $\tilde{g}^{(1)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{k}')$ is bounded, for $M \to \infty$, uniformly in L, β, and that its Fourier transform $\tilde{g}^{(1)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x})$ is a bounded function with fast decaying properties (uniformly in L, β). Hence, by using standard perturbation theory, it is easy to see that $\bar{\mathcal{V}}^{(0)}(\psi^{(\le 0)})$ can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{V}}^{(0)}(\psi^{(\le 0)}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(L\beta)^{2n}} \sum_{\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n}} \prod_{i=1}^{2n} \hat{\psi}^{(\le 0)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{k}'_i,\omega_i} \cdot \\ \cdot\ \hat{W}^{(0)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n-1})\ \delta(\sum_{i=1}^{2n} \sigma_i(\mathbf{k}'_i + \mathbf{p}_F)) , \end{aligned} \tag{2.61}$$

where $\underline{\sigma} = (\sigma_1,\dots,\sigma_{2n})$, $\underline{\omega} = (\omega_1,\dots,\omega_{2n})$ and we used the notation

$$\delta(\mathbf{k}) = \delta(k)\delta(k_0) , \quad \delta(k) = L\sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}} \delta_{k,2\pi n} , \quad \delta(k_0) = \beta\delta_{k_0,0} . \tag{2.62}$$

As we shall prove in §3, the kernels $\hat{W}^{(0)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n-1})$, as well as $\tilde{E}_1$, are expressed as power series of λ,ν, convergent for $\varepsilon \equiv Max(|\lambda|,|\nu|) \le \varepsilon_0$, for ε_0 small enough. Moreover there exists a constant C, such that, uniformly in L,β, $|\tilde{E}_1| \le C\varepsilon$ and $|\hat{W}^{(0)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}| \le C^n \varepsilon^{\max(1,n-1)}$.

Remark - The conservation of momentum and the support property (2.50) of $\hat{\psi}^{(\le 0)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}$ imply that, if $n = 1$, only the terms with $\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 = 0$ contribute to the sum in (2.61).

Let us now define $\mathbf{k}^* = (k, -k_0)$. It is possible to show, by using the symmetries of the interaction and of the covariance $\tilde{g}^{(1)}(\mathbf{k}')$, that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{W}^{(0)}_{n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}^*_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}^*_{n-1}) &= (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i\omega_1} [\hat{W}^{(0)}_{n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}_{n-1})]^* = \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i\omega_i} \hat{W}^{(0)}_{n,-\underline{\sigma},-\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}_{n-1}) . \end{aligned} \tag{2.63}$$

2.5 The integration of the fields of scale $h \le 0$ is performed iteratively.We define a sequence of positive constants Z_h, $h = h_{L,\beta}, \dots, 0$, a sequence of *effective potentials* $\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\psi)$, a sequence of constants E_h and a sequence of functions $\sigma_h(\mathbf{k}')$, such that

$$Z_0 = 1, \quad E_0 = \tilde{E}_1 + t_1, \quad \sigma_0(\mathbf{k}') = u \sin(k' + p_F) \ , \tag{2.64}$$

and

$$e^{-L\beta E_{L,\beta}} = \int P_{Z_h,\sigma_h,C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)})\, e^{-\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) - L\beta E_h} \ , \quad \mathcal{V}^{(h)}(0) = 0 \ , \tag{2.65}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} P_{Z_h,\sigma_h,C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)}) = & \prod_{\mathbf{k}' : C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}') > 0} \prod_{\omega=\pm 1} \frac{d\hat{\psi}^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} d\hat{\psi}^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}}{\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{k}')} \cdot \\ & \exp\left\{ -\frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k}' : C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}') > 0} C_h(\mathbf{k}') Z_h \sum_{\omega,\omega'=\pm 1} \hat{\psi}^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} T^{(h+1)}_{\omega,\omega'} \hat{\psi}^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega'} \right\} \ , \end{aligned} \tag{2.66}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{k}') = \frac{C_h(\mathbf{k}') Z_h}{L\beta} [k_0^2 + E(k')^2 + \sigma_h(\mathbf{k}')^2]^{1/2} \ , \tag{2.67}$$

$$C_h(\mathbf{k}')^{-1} = \sum_{j=h_{L,\beta}}^{h} f_j(\mathbf{k}') \ , \tag{2.68}$$

and the 2×2 matrix $T_h(\mathbf{k}')$ is given by

$$T_h(\mathbf{k}') = \begin{pmatrix} -ik_0 + E(k') & i\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}') \\ -i\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}') & -ik_0 - E(k') \end{pmatrix} \ . \tag{2.69}$$

We shall also prove that the $\mathcal{V}^{(h)}$ can be represented as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\psi^{(\le h)}) = & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(L\beta)^{2n}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n}} \sum_{\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}} \prod_{i=1}^{2n} \hat{\psi}^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{k}'_i,\omega_i} \cdot \\ & \cdot \ \hat{W}^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}'_1, ..., \mathbf{k}'_{2n-1}) \delta(\sum_{i=1}^{2n} \sigma_i(\mathbf{k}'_i + \mathbf{p}_F)) \ , \end{aligned} \tag{2.70}$$

with the kernels $\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}$ verifying the symmetry relations

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{W}^{(h)}_{n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}^*_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}^*_{n-1}) &= (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i\omega_i} [\hat{W}^{(h)}_{n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{n-1})]^* = \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i\omega_i} \hat{W}^{(h)}_{n,-\underline{\sigma},-\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{n-1}) \ . \end{aligned} \tag{2.71}$$

The previous claims are true for $h = 0$, by (2.59), (2.61), (2.64) and (2.53). In order to prove them for any $h \ge h_{L,\beta}$, we must explain how $\mathcal{V}^{(h-1)}(\psi)$ is calculated, given $\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\psi)$. It is convenient, for reasons which will be clear below, to split $\mathcal{V}^{(h)}$ as $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{V}^{(h)} + \mathcal{R}\mathcal{V}^{(h)}$, where $\mathcal{R} = 1 - \mathcal{L}$ and $\mathcal{L}$, the *localization operator*, is a linear operator on functions of the form (2.70), defined in the following way by its action on the kernels $\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}$.

1) If $2n = 4$, then

$$\mathcal{L}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{4,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}'_1, \mathbf{k}'_2, \mathbf{k}'_3) = \hat{W}^{(h)}_{4,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}, \bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}, \bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}) \ , \tag{2.72}$$

where

$$\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{\eta\eta'} = \left(\eta\frac{\pi}{L}, \eta'\frac{\pi}{\beta}\right) \ . \tag{2.73}$$

Note that this definition depends on the the field variables order in the r.h.s. of (2.70), if $\sum_{i=1}^4 \sigma_i \neq 0$. In fact, since $\sigma_4\mathbf{k}'_4 = -\sum_{i=1}^3 \sigma_i\mathbf{k}'_i - \mathbf{p}_F\sum_{i=1}^4\sigma_i$ (modulo $(2\pi,0)$), if $\mathbf{k}'_i = \bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}$ for $i = 1,2,3$, $\mathbf{k}'_4 = \bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}$ only if $\sum_{i=1}^4\sigma_i = 0$. This is apparently a problem, because the representation (2.70) is not uniquely defined (the terms which differ by a common permutation of the $\underline{\sigma}$ and $\underline{\omega}$ indices are equivalent). However, it is easy to see, by using the anticommuting property of the field variables, that the contribution to $\mathcal{LV}^{(h)}$ of the terms with $2n = 4$ is equal to 0, unless, after a suitable permutation of the fields, $\underline{\sigma} = (+,-,+,-)$, $\underline{\omega} = (+1,-1,-1,+1)$.

The previous discussion implies that we are free to change the order of the field variables as we like, before applying the definition (2.72); this freedom will be useful in the construction of the main expansion in §3.

2) If $2n = 2$ and, possibly after a suitable permutation of the fields, $\underline{\sigma} = (+,-)$ ($\sigma_1+\sigma_2 = 0$, by the remark following (2.62)), then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}') = \frac{1}{4}\sum_{\eta,\eta'=\pm1}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{\eta\eta'})\cdot \\ \cdot\ \left\{1+\delta_{\omega_1,\omega_2}\left[\eta\frac{L}{\pi}\left(b_L + a_L\frac{E(k')}{v_0^*}\right)+\eta'\frac{\beta}{\pi}k_0\right]\right\}\ ,\end{aligned} \tag{2.74}$$

where

$$a_L\frac{L}{\pi}\sin\frac{\pi}{L} = 1\ , \qquad \frac{\cos p_F}{v_0}(1-\cos\frac{\pi}{L}) + b_L\frac{L}{\pi}\sin\frac{\pi}{L} = 0\ . \tag{2.75}$$

In order to better understand this definition, note that, if $L = \beta = \infty$,

$$\mathcal{L}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}') = \hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(0) + \delta_{\omega_1,\omega_2}\left[\frac{E(k')}{v_0^*}\frac{\partial\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}}{\partial k'}(0) + k_0\frac{\partial\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}}{\partial k_0}(0)\right]\ . \tag{2.76}$$

Hence, $\mathcal{L}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}')$ has to be understood as a discrete version of the Taylor expansion up to order 1. Since $a_L = 1 + O(L^{-2})$ and $b_L = O(L^{-2})$, this property would be true also if $a_L = 1$ and $b_L = 0$; however the choice (2.75) has the advantage to share with (2.76) another important property, that is $\mathcal{L}^2\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}') = \mathcal{L}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}')$.

3) In all the other cases

$$\mathcal{L}\hat{W}^{h}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n-1}) = 0\ . \tag{2.77}$$

By (2.72) and the remark following (2.76), the operator $\mathcal{L}$ satisfies the relation

$$\mathcal{R}\mathcal{L} = 0\ . \tag{2.78}$$

By using the anticommuting properties of the Grassmanian variables (see discussion in item 1) above) and the symmetry relations (2.71), we can write $\mathcal{LV}^{(h)}$ in the following way:

$$\mathcal{LV}^{(h)}(\psi^{(\le h)}) = \gamma^h n_h F^{(\le h)}_\nu + s_h F^{(\le h)}_\sigma + z_h F^{(\le h)}_\zeta + a_h F^{(\le h)}_\alpha + l_h F^{(\le h)}_\lambda\ , \tag{2.79}$$

where n_h, s_h, z_h, a_h and l_h are real numbers and

$$\begin{aligned}
F_\nu^{(\le h)} &= \sum_{\omega=\pm1} \frac{\omega}{L\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} \hat\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}\hat\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} \ , \\
F_\sigma^{(\le h)} &= \sum_{\omega=\pm1} \frac{i\omega}{(L\beta)} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} \hat\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}\hat\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}',-\omega} \ , \\
F_\alpha^{(\le h)} &= \sum_{\omega=\pm1} \frac{\omega}{(L\beta)} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} \frac{E(k')}{v_0^*}\hat\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}\hat\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} \ , \\
F_\zeta^{(\le h)} &= \sum_{\omega=\pm1} \frac{1}{(L\beta)} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} (-ik_0)\hat\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega}\hat\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} \ , \\
F_\lambda^{(\le h)} &= \frac{1}{(L\beta)^4} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_4\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} \hat\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}'_1,+1}\hat\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}'_2,-1}\hat\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{k}'_3,-1}\hat\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{k}'_4,+1}\delta(\mathbf{k}'_1-\mathbf{k}'_2+\mathbf{k}'_3-\mathbf{k}'_4) \ .
\end{aligned} \tag{2.80}$$

By using (2.72) and (2.74), it is easy to see that, if $\varepsilon \equiv \max\{|\lambda|,|\nu|\}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
l_0 = 4\lambda\sin^2(p_F+\pi/L)+O(\varepsilon^2) \ , \quad a_0 = -\delta^* v_0 + c_0^\delta\lambda_1 + O(\varepsilon^2) \ , \\
s_0 = O(u\varepsilon) \ , \quad z_0 = O(\varepsilon^2) \ , \quad n_0 = \nu + O(\varepsilon) \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{2.81}$$

where c_0^δ is a constant, bounded uniformly in L,β.

We now *renormalize* the free measure $P_{Z_h,\sigma_h,C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)})$, by adding to it part of the r.h.s. of (2.79). We get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int P_{Z_h,\sigma_h,C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)})\, e^{-\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)})} = \\
&\qquad = e^{-L\beta t_h}\int P_{\bar Z_{h-1},\sigma_{h-1},C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)})\, e^{-\bar{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)})} \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{2.82}$$

where $P_{\bar Z_{h-1},\sigma_{h-1},C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)})$ is obtained from $P_{Z_h,\sigma_h,C_h}(d\psi^{(\le h)})$ by substituting Z_h with

$$\tilde Z_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}') = Z_h[1+C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')z_h] \tag{2.83}$$

and $\sigma_h(\mathbf{k}')$ with

$$\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}') = \frac{Z_h}{\tilde Z_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')}[\sigma_h(\mathbf{k}')+C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')s_h] \ ; \tag{2.84}$$

moreover

$$\tilde{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) = \mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) - s_h Z_h F_\sigma^{(\le h)} - z_h Z_h[F_\zeta^{(\le h)} + v_0^* F_\alpha^{(\le h)}] \tag{2.85}$$

and the factor $\exp(-L\beta t_h)$ in (2.82) takes into account the different normalization of the two measures, so that

$$t_h = -\frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}':C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')>0} \log\left\{[1+z_h C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')]^2\frac{k_0^2+E(k')^2+\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')^2}{k_0^2+E(k')^2+\sigma_h(\mathbf{k}')^2}\right\} \ . \tag{2.86}$$

Note that

$$\mathcal{L}\tilde{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\psi) = \gamma^h n_h F_\nu^{(\le h)} + (a_h - z_h v_0^*)F_\alpha^{(\le h)} + l_h F_\lambda^{(\le h)} \ . \tag{2.87}$$

The r.h.s of (2.82) can be written as

$$e^{-L\beta t_h}\int P_{Z_{h-1},\sigma_{h-1},C_{h-1}}(d\psi^{(\le h-1)})\int P_{Z_{h-1},\sigma_{h-1},\tilde f_h^{-1}}(d\psi^{(h)})\,e^{-\tilde\nu^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)})}\ , \qquad (2.88)$$

where

$$Z_{h-1}=Z_h(1+z_h)\ ,\qquad \tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')=Z_{h-1}[\frac{C_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')}{\tilde Z_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')}-\frac{C_{h-1}^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')}{Z_{h-1}}]\ . \qquad (2.89)$$

Note that $\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')$ has the same support of $f_h(\mathbf{k}')$; in fact, by using (2.38), it is easy to see that

$$\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')=f_h(\mathbf{k}')\left[1+\frac{z_h f_{h+1}(\mathbf{k}')}{1+z_h f_h(\mathbf{k}')}\right]\ . \qquad (2.90)$$

Moreover, by (2.49),

$$\int P_{Z_{h-1},\sigma_{h-1},\tilde f_h^{-1}}(d\psi^{(h)})\,\psi^{(h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(h)+}_{\mathbf{y},\omega'}=\frac{g^{(h)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}{Z_{h-1}}\ , \qquad (2.91)$$

where

$$g^{(h)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})=\frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'}e^{-i\mathbf{k}'(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')[T_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')]_{\omega,\omega'}\ , \qquad (2.92)$$

and $T_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')$ is the inverse of the $T_h(\mathbf{k}')$ defined in (2.69).

$T_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')$ is well defined on the support of $\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')$ and, if we set

$$A_h(\mathbf{k}')=\det T_h(\mathbf{k}')=-k_0^2-E(k')^2-[\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')]^2\ , \qquad (2.93)$$

then

$$T_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')=\frac{1}{A_h(\mathbf{k}')}\begin{pmatrix}-ik_0-E(k') & -i\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')\\ i\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}') & -ik_0+E(k')\end{pmatrix}\ . \qquad (2.94)$$

The propagator $g^{(h)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x})$ is an antiperiodic function of x and x_0, of period L and β, respectively. Its large distance behaviour is given by the following lemma (see also [BM2]), where we use the definitions

$$\sigma_h\equiv\sigma_h(0)\ , \qquad (2.95)$$

$$d_L(x)=\frac{L}{\pi}\sin(\frac{\pi x}{L})\ ,\quad d_\beta(x_0)=\frac{\beta}{\pi}\sin(\frac{\pi x_0}{\beta})\ , \qquad (2.96)$$

$$\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})=(d_L(x-y),d_\beta(x_0-y_0))\ . \qquad (2.97)$$

2.6 LEMMA. *Let us suppose that $h_{L,\beta}\le h\le 0$ and*

$$|z_h|\le\frac12\ ,\quad |s_h|\le\frac12|\sigma_h|\ ,\quad |\delta^*|\le\frac12\ . \qquad (2.98)$$

We can write

$$g^{(h)}_{\omega,\omega}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})=g^{(h)}_{L,\omega}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})+r_1^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})+r_2^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})\ , \qquad (2.99)$$

where

$$g^{(h)}_{L,\omega}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})=\frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'}\frac{e^{-i\mathbf{k}'(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}}{-ik_0+\omega v_0^*k'}\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')\ . \qquad (2.100)$$

Moreover, given the positive integers N, n_0, n_1 and putting $n = n_0+n_1$, there exist a constant $C_{N,n}$ such that

$$
\begin{aligned}
&|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0}\bar\partial_x^{n_1} r_1^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})| \le C_{N,n}\frac{\gamma^{2h+n}}{1+(\gamma^h|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}))|^N}\ ,\\
&|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0}\bar\partial_x^{n_1} r_2^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})| \le C_{N,n}|\frac{\sigma^h}{\gamma^h}|^2\frac{\gamma^{h+n}}{1+(\gamma^h|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})|)^N}\ ,
\end{aligned}
\tag{2.101}
$$

$$
|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0}\bar\partial_x^{n_1} g_{\omega,-\omega}^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})| \le C_{N,n}|\frac{\sigma^h}{\gamma^h}|\frac{\gamma^{h+n}}{1+(\gamma^h|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})|)^N}\ . \tag{2.102}
$$

where $\bar\partial_x$ denotes the discrete derivative.

Note that $g_{L,\omega}^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ coincides, in the limit $\beta\to\infty$, with the propagator "at scale γ^h" of the Luttinger model, see [BGM], with $\tilde f_h$ in place of f_h. This remark will be crucial for studying the renormalization group flow in [BeM].

2.7 Proof of Lemma 2.6.

By using (2.38), it is easy to see that $\sigma_h(\mathbf{k}') = \sigma_h(0)$ on the support of $f_h(\mathbf{k}')$; hence, by (2.83) and (2.84), we have

$$
\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}') = \frac{\sigma_h + C_h(\mathbf{k}')^{-1}s_h}{1+z_hC_h(\mathbf{k}')^{-1}}\ , \tag{2.103}
$$

implying, together with (2.98), that there exist two constants c_1, c_2 such that:

$$
c_1|\sigma_h| \le |\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')| \le c_2|\sigma_h|\ . \tag{2.104}
$$

Let us now consider two integers $N_0, N_1 \ge 0$, such that $N = N_0 + N_1$, and note that

$$
\begin{aligned}
&d_L(x-y)^{N_1}d_\beta(x_0-y_0)^{N_0}g_{\omega,\omega'}^{(h)}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) =\\
&e^{-i\pi(xL^{-1}N_1+x_0\beta^{-1}N_0)}(-i)^{N_0+N_1}\frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'}e^{-i\mathbf{k}'(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}\partial_{k'}^{N_1}\partial_{k_0}^{N_0}\left[\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')[T_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')]_{\omega,\omega'}\right]\ ,
\end{aligned}
\tag{2.105}
$$

where $\partial_{k'}$ and ∂_{k_0} denote the discrete derivatives.

If $\omega = \omega'$, the decomposition (2.99) is related to the following identity:

$$
\begin{aligned}
[T_h^{-1}(\mathbf{k}')]_{\omega,\omega} = &\frac{1}{-ik_0+\omega v_0^*k'} + \left[\frac{1}{-ik_0+\omega E(k')} - \frac{1}{-ik_0+\omega v_0^*k'}\right] +\\
&+\left[\frac{ik_0+\omega E(k')}{k_0^2+E(k')^2+[\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')]^2} - \frac{1}{-ik_0+\omega E(k')}\right]\ .
\end{aligned}
\tag{2.106}
$$

The bounds (2.101) and (2.102) easily follow from (2.98), (2.104), the support properties of $f_h(\mathbf{k}')$ and the observation that $\tilde f_h(\mathbf{k}')$ and $\sigma_h(\mathbf{k}')$ are smooth functions of $\mathbf{k}'$ in R^2, in the support of $f_h(\mathbf{k}')$, so that the discrete derivatives can be bounded as the continuous derivatives. The main point is of course the fact that, on the support of $f_h(\mathbf{k}')$, $|-ik_0+\omega E(k')|$, $|-ik_0+\omega v_0^*k'|$ and $\sqrt{k_0^2+E(k')^2+[\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}')]^2}$ are of order γ^h.

2.8 We now *rescale* the field so that

$$
\tilde{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) = \hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_{h-1}}\psi^{(\le h)})\ ; \tag{2.107}
$$

it follows that

$$\mathcal{L}\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\psi) = \gamma^h \nu_h F_\nu^{(\leq h)} + \delta_h F_\alpha^{(\leq h)} + \lambda_h F_\lambda^{(\leq h)} \ , \tag{2.108}$$

where

$$\nu_h = \frac{Z_h}{Z_{h-1}} n_h \ , \quad \delta_h = \frac{Z_h}{Z_{h-1}}(a_h - v_0^* z_h) \ , \quad \lambda_h = (\frac{Z_h}{Z_{h-1}})^2 l_h \ . \tag{2.109}$$

We call the set $\vec{v}_h = (\nu_h, \delta_h, \lambda_h)$ the *running coupling constants.*

If now define

$$e^{-\mathcal{V}^{(h-1)}(\sqrt{Z_{h-1}}\psi^{(\leq h-1)}) - L\beta \bar{E}_h} = \int P_{Z_{h-1},\sigma_{h-1},\bar{f}_h^{-1}}(d\psi^{(h)})\, e^{-\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_{h-1}}\psi^{(\leq h)})} \ , \tag{2.110}$$

it is easy to see that $\mathcal{V}^{(h-1)}(\sqrt{Z_{h-1}}\psi^{(\leq h-1)})$ is of the form (2.70) and that

$$E_{h-1} = E_h + t_h + \tilde{E}_h \ . \tag{2.111}$$

It is sufficient to use the well known identity

$$L\beta\tilde{E}_h + \mathcal{V}^{(h-1)}(\sqrt{Z_{h-1}}\psi^{(\leq h-1)}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}(-1)^{n+1} \mathcal{E}_h^{T,n}(\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_{h-1}}\psi^{(\leq h)})) \ , \tag{2.112}$$

where $\mathcal{E}_h^{T,n}$ denotes the *truncated expectation of order* n with propagator $Z_{h-1}^{-1} g^{(h)}_{\omega,\omega'}$, see (2.91), and observe that $\psi^{(\leq h)} = \psi^{(\leq h-1)} + \psi^{(h)}$.

Moreover, the symmetry relations (2.71) are still satisfied, because the symmetry properties of the free measure are not modified by the renormalization procedure, so that the effective potential on scale h has the same symmetries as the effective potential on scale 0.

Let us now define $\tilde{E}_{h_{L,\beta}}$, so that

$$e^{-L\beta\bar{E}_{h_{L,\beta}}} = \int P_{Z_{h_{L,\beta}-1},\sigma_{h_{L,\beta}-1},\bar{f}^{-1}_{h_{L,\beta}}}(d\psi^{(h_{L,\beta})})\, e^{-\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h_{L,\beta})}(\sqrt{Z_{h_{L,\beta}-1}}\psi^{(h_{L,\beta})})} \ . \tag{2.113}$$

We have

$$E_{L,\beta} = \sum_{h=h_{L,\beta}}^{1} [\tilde{E}_h + t_h] \ . \tag{2.114}$$

Note that the above procedure allows us to write the running coupling constants $\vec{v}_h$, $h \leq 0$, in terms of $\vec{v}_{h'}$, $0 \geq h' \geq h+1$, and λ, ν, u:

$$\vec{v}_h = \vec{\beta}(\vec{v}_{h+1}, ..., \vec{v}_0, \lambda, \nu, u, \delta^*) \ . \tag{2.115}$$

The function $\vec{\beta}(\vec{v}_{h+1}, ..., \vec{v}_0, \lambda, \nu, u, \delta^*)$ is called the *Beta function.*

2.9 Let us now explain the main motivations of the integration procedure discussed above. In a renormalization group approach one has to identify the relevant, marginal and irrelevant interactions. By a power counting argument one sees that the terms bilinear in the fields are relevant, hence one should extract from them the relevant and marginal local contributions by a Taylor expansion of the kernel up to order 1 in the external momenta. Since $\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 = 0$

by the remark following (2.62), we have to consider only two kinds of bilinear terms: those with $\omega_1 = \omega_2$ and those with $\omega_1 = -\omega_2$. It turns out that, for the bilinear terms with $\omega_1 = -\omega_2$, a Taylor expansion up to order 0 is sufficient; the reason is that the Feynman graphs contributing to such terms contain at least one non diagonal propagator and, by lemma 2.6, such propagators are smaller than the diagonal ones by a factor $\sigma_h \gamma^{-h}$; as we shall see, this is sufficient to improve the power counting by 1.

The previous discussion implies that the regularization of the bilinear terms produces four local terms. One of them, that proportional to F_ν, is relevant; it reflects the renormalization of the Fermi momentum and is faced in a standard way [BG], by fixing properly the counterterm ν in the Hamiltonian, *i.e.* by fixing properly the chemical potential, so that the corresponding running coupling ν_h goes to 0 for $h \to -\infty$.

The term proportional to F_α is marginal, but, as we shall see, stays bounded and of order λ as $h \to -\infty$, if δ^* is of order λ; hence the convergence of the flow is not related to the exact value of δ^*. However, in order to get a detailed description of the spin correlation function asymptotic behaviour, it is convenient to choose δ^* so that $\delta_h \to 0$ as $h \to -\infty$. This choice implies that $v_0^* = v_0(1 + \delta^*)$ is the "effective" Fermi velocity of the fermion system.

The other two terms are marginal, but have to be treated in different ways. The term proportional to F_ζ is absorbed in the free measure and produces a field renormalization, as in the Luttinger liquid (which is indeed obtained for $u = 0$). The term proportional to F_σ, related to the presence of a gap in the spectrum, is also absorbed in the free measure, since there is no free parameter in the Hamiltonian to control its flow, as for F_ζ. This operation can be seen as the application of a sequence of *different Bogoliubov transformations at each integration step*, to compare with the single Bogoliubov transformation that it is sufficient to see a gap $O(u)$ at the Fermi surface, in the XY model ($\lambda = 0$). It turns out that the gap is deeply renormalized by the interaction, since σ_h is a sort of "mass terms" with a non trivial renormalization group flow.

Let us now consider the quartic terms, which are all marginal. Since there are many of them, depending on the labels ω_i and σ_i of each field, their renormalization group flow seems difficult to study. However, as we have explained in §2.5, the running couplings corresponding to the quartic terms are all exactly equal to 0 for trivial reasons, unless, after a suitable permutation of the fields, $\underline{\sigma} = (+,-,+,-)$, $\underline{\omega} = (+1,-1,-1,+1)$. Hence, by a Taylor expansion of the kernel up to order 0 in the external momenta, all quartic terms can be regularized, by introducing only one running coupling, λ_h.

As in the Luttinger liquid [BGPS, BM1], the flow of λ_h and δ_h can be controlled by using some cancellations, due to the fact that the Beta function is "close" (for small u) to the Luttinger model Beta function. In lemma 2.6 we write the propagator as the Luttinger model propagator plus a remainder, so that the Beta function is equal to the Luttinger model Beta function plus a "remainder", which is small if $\sigma_h \gamma^{-h}$ is small.

Let us define

$$h^* = \inf\{h : 0 \geq h \geq h_{L,\beta}, a_0 v_0^* \gamma^{\bar{h}-1} \geq 4|\sigma_{\bar{h}}|, \forall \bar{h} : 0 \geq \bar{h} \geq h\} \; . \tag{2.116}$$

Of course this definition is meaningful only if $a_0 v_0^* \gamma^{-1} \geq 4|\sigma_0| = 4|u|v_0$ (see (2.64)), that is if

$$|u| \leq \frac{a_0}{4\gamma}(1+\delta^*) \; . \tag{2.117}$$

If the condition (2.117) is not satisfied, we shall put $h^* = 1$.

Lemma 2.6, (2.86) and the definition of h^* easily imply this other Lemma.

2.10 LEMMA. *If $h > h^* \geq 0$ and the conditions (2.98) are satisfied, there is a constant C such that*

$$|t_h| \leq C\gamma^{2h} \; . \tag{2.118}$$

Moreover, given the positive integers N, n_0, n_1 and putting $n = n_0 + n_1$, there exist a constant $C_{N,n}$ such that

$$|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0} \bar{\partial}_x^{n_1} g^{(h)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{y})| \leq C_{N,n} \frac{\gamma^{h+n}}{1+(\gamma^h|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})|)^N} \; . \tag{2.119}$$

2.11 In §3 we will see that, using the above lemmas and assuming that the running coupling constants are bounded, the integration of the field $\psi^{(h)}$ in (2.88) is well defined in the limit $L, \beta \to \infty$, for $0 \geq h > h^*$.

The integration of the scales from h^* to $h_{L,\beta}$ will be performed "in a single step". This is possible because we shall prove in §3 that the integration in the r.h.s. in (2.82) is well defined in the limit $L, \beta \to \infty$, for $h = h^*$. In order to do that, we shall use the following lemma, whose proof is similar to the proof of lemma 2.6.

2.12 LEMMA. *Assume that h^* is finite uniformly in L, β, so that $|\sigma_{h^*-1}\gamma^{-h^*}| \geq \bar{\kappa}$, for a suitable constant $\bar{\kappa}$ and define*

$$\frac{\bar{g}^{(\leq h^*)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}{Z_{h^*-1}} \equiv \int P_{\bar{Z}_{h^*-1},\sigma_{h^*-1},C_{h^*}}(d\psi^{(\leq h^*)}) \psi^{(\leq h^*)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} \psi^{(\leq h^*)+}_{\mathbf{y},\omega'} \; . \tag{2.120}$$

Then, given the positive integers N, n_0, n_1 and putting $n = n_0 + n_1$, there exist a constant $C_{N,n}$ such that

$$|\partial_{x_0}^{n_0} \bar{\partial}_x^{n_1} g^{(\leq h^*)}_{\omega,\omega'}(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{y})| \leq C_{N,n} \frac{\gamma^{h^*+n}}{1+(\gamma^{h^*}|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})|)^N} \; . \tag{2.121}$$

2.13 Comparing Lemma 2.10 and Lemma 2.12, we see that the propagator of the integration of all the scales between h^* and $h_{L,\beta}$ has the same bound as the propagator of the integration of a single scale greater than h^*; this property is used to perform the integration of all the scales $\leq h^*$ in a single step. In fact γ^{h^*} is a momentum scale and, roughly speaking, for momenta bigger than γ^{h^*} the theory is "essentially" a massless theory (up to $O(\sigma_h \gamma^{-h})$ terms), while for momenta smaller than γ^{h^*} it is a "massive" theory with mass $O(\gamma^{h^*})$.

3. Analyticity of the effective potential

3.1 We want to study the expansion of the effective potential, which follows from the renormalization procedure discussed in §2. In order to do that, we find it convenient to write $\mathcal{V}^{(h)}$, $h \le 1$, in terms of the variables $\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$. The two contributions to $\mathcal{V}^{(1)}(\psi^{(\le 1)})$, see (2.58) and (2.14), become

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda V_\lambda(\psi^{\le 1}) &= \sum_{\underline{\sigma}} \int d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y}\, \lambda\, v_\lambda(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) e^{i\mathbf{p}_F\mathbf{x}(\sigma_1+\sigma_4)+i\mathbf{p}_F\mathbf{y}(\sigma_2+\sigma_3)} \cdot \\ &\cdot \psi^{(\le 1)\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{x},\sigma_1}\psi^{(\le 1)\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{y},\sigma_2}\psi^{(\le 1)\sigma_3}_{\mathbf{y},-\sigma_3}\psi^{(\le 1)\sigma_4}_{\mathbf{x},-\sigma_4}\ , \\ \nu N(\psi^{\le 1}) &= \sum_{\sigma_1,\sigma_2} \int d\mathbf{x} e^{i\mathbf{p}_F\mathbf{x}(\sigma_1+\sigma_2)}\, \nu\, \psi^{(\le 1)\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{x},\sigma_1}\psi^{(\le 1)\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{x},-\sigma_2}\ , \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

where $\int d\mathbf{x}$ is a shorthand for $\sum_{x\in\Lambda}\int_{-\beta/2}^{\beta/2} dx_0$.

If we define

$$\begin{aligned} &W^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_{2n}) = \\ &= \frac{1}{(L\beta)^{2n}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n}} e^{-i\sum_{r=1}^{2n}\sigma_r\mathbf{k}'_r\mathbf{x}_r} \hat{W}^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\dots,\mathbf{k}'_{2n-1})\delta(\sum_{i=1}^{2n}\sigma_i(\mathbf{k}'_i+\mathbf{p}_F))\ , \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

we can write (2.70) as

$$\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\psi^{(\le h)}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\sum_{\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}} \int d\mathbf{x}_1\cdots d\mathbf{x}_{2n} \left[\prod_{i=1}^{2n}\psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_i,\omega_i}\right] W^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_{2n})\ . \tag{3.3}$$

Note that

$$W^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1+\mathbf{x},\dots,\mathbf{x}_{2n}+\mathbf{x}) = e^{i\mathbf{p}_F\mathbf{x}\sum_{r=1}^{2n}\sigma_r} W^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_{2n})\ , \tag{3.4}$$

hence $W^{(h)}_{2n,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_{2n})$ is translation invariant if and only if $\sum_{r=1}^{2n}\sigma_r = 0$.

The representation of $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\psi^{(\le h)})$ in terms of the $\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$ variables is obtained by substituting in the r.h.s. of (2.79) the $\mathbf{x}$-space representations of the definitions (2.80). We have

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(\le h)}_\nu &= \sum_{\omega=\pm 1}\omega \int d\mathbf{x}\ \psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\ , \\ F^{(\le h)}_\sigma &= \sum_{\omega=\pm 1} i\omega \int d\mathbf{x}\ \psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},-\omega}\ , \\ F^{(\le h)}_\alpha &= \sum_{\omega=\pm 1} i\omega \int d\mathbf{x}\ \psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}[\bar\partial_1\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} + \frac{i\cos p_F}{2v_0}\bar\partial_1^2\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}] = \\ &= \sum_{\omega=\pm 1} i\omega \int d\mathbf{x}\ [-\bar\partial_1\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} + \frac{i\cos p_F}{2v_0}\bar\partial_1^2\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}]\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\ , \\ F^{(\le h)}_\zeta &= \sum_{\omega=\pm 1}\int d\mathbf{x}\ \psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\partial_0\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} = -\sum_{\omega=\pm 1}\int d\mathbf{x}\ \partial_0\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\ , \\ F^{(\le h)}_\lambda &= \int d\mathbf{x}\ \psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},+1}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},-1}\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},-1}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x},+1}\ , \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

where ∂_0 is the derivative w.r.t. x_0, $\bar\partial_1$ is the symmetric discrete derivative w.r.t. x, that is, given a function $f(\mathbf{x})$,

$$\bar\partial_1 f(\mathbf{x}) = [f(x+1,x_0) - f(x-1,x_0)]/2 \;, \tag{3.6}$$

and $\bar\partial_1^2$ (which is not the square of $\bar\partial_1$, but has the same properties) is defined by the equation

$$\bar\partial_1^2 f(\mathbf{x}) = f(x+1,x_0) + f(x-1,x_0) - 2f(x,x_0) \;. \tag{3.7}$$

Let us now discuss the action of the operator $\mathcal{L}$ and $\mathcal{R} = 1 - \mathcal{L}$ on the effective potential in the x-space representation, by considering the terms for which $\mathcal{L} \neq 0$.

1)If $2n = 4$, by (2.72),

$$\mathcal{L} \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) \prod_{i=1}^4 \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_i,\omega_i} = \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) \prod_{i=1}^4 \left[G_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_4) \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_i} \right] \;, \tag{3.8}$$

where $\underline{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_4)$, $W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) = W^{(h)}_{4,\underline\sigma,\underline\omega}(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{x}_3,\mathbf{x}_4)$ and

$$G_\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = e^{i\sigma \bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}\mathbf{x}} = e^{i\sigma\pi(\frac{x}{L} + \frac{x_0}{\beta})} \;. \tag{3.9}$$

Note that, as we have discussed in §2.5, the r.h.s. of (3.8) is always equal to 0, unless, after a suitable permutation of the fields, $\underline\sigma = (+,-,+,-)$, $\underline\omega = (+1,-1,-1,+1)$. In this last case the function $W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) \prod_{i=1}^4 G_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_4) = W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) G_+(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{x}_3 - \mathbf{x}_4)$ is translation invariant and periodic in the space and time components of all variables $\mathbf{x}_k$, of period L and β, respectively. It follows that the quantities $G_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_4)\psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_i}$ in the r.h.s. of (3.8) can be substituted with $G_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_k)\psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_k,\omega_i}$, $k = 1,2,3$. Hence we have four equivalent representations of the localization operation, which differ by the choice of the *localization point*. The freedom in the choice of the localization point will be useful in the following.

If the localization point is chosen as in (3.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{R} \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) \prod_{i=1}^4 \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_i,\omega_i} = \\ &= \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) \left[\prod_{i=1}^4 \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_i,\omega_i} - \prod_{i=1}^4 G_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_4) \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_i} \right] \;. \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

The term in square brackets in the above equation can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} &\psi^{(\le h)\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega_1} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\omega_2} D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma_3}_{\mathbf{x}_3,\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_3} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_4}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_4} + \\ &+ G_{\sigma_3}(\mathbf{x}_3 - \mathbf{x}_4) \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega_1} D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_2} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_3}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_3} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_4}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_4} + \\ &+ G_{\sigma_3}(\mathbf{x}_3 - \mathbf{x}_4) G_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_4) D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma_1}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_1} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_2}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_2} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_3}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_3} \psi^{(\le h)\sigma_4}_{\mathbf{x}_4,\omega_4} \;, \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

where

$$D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} - G_\sigma(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}) \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} \;. \tag{3.12}$$

Similar expressions can be written, if the localization point is chosen in a different way.

Note that the decomposition (3.11) corresponds to the following identity:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}\hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\mathbf{k}'_2,\mathbf{k}'_3) &= \Big[\hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\mathbf{k}'_2,\mathbf{k}'_3) - \hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\mathbf{k}'_2,\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++})\Big] + \\ &+ \Big[\hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\mathbf{k}'_2,\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}) - \hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++},\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++})\Big] + \\ &+ \Big[\hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{k}'_1,\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++},\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}) - \hat{W}^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++},\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++},\bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++})\Big] \ ,\end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

and that the i-th term in the r.h.s. of (3.13) is equal to 0 for $\mathbf{k}'_i = \bar{\mathbf{k}}_{++}$.

The field $D^{1,1(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ is antiperiodic in the space and time components of $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{y}$, of period L and β, and is equal to 0 if $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ modulo (L,β). This means that it is dimensionally equivalent to the product of $d(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y})$ (see (2.97)) and the derivative of the field, so that the bound of its contraction with another field variable on a scale $h' < h$ will produce a "gain" $\gamma^{-(h-h')}$ with respect to the contraction of $\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\omega}$.

If we insert (3.11) in the r.h.s. of (3.10), we can decompose the l.h.s in the sum of three terms, which differ from the term which $\mathcal{R}$ acts on mainly because one $\psi^{(\leq h)}$ field is substituted with a $D^{1,1(\leq h)}$ field and some of the other $\psi^{(\leq h)}$ fields are "translated" in the localization point. All three terms share the property that the field whose $\mathbf{x}$ coordinate is equal to the localization point is not affected by the action of $\mathcal{R}$.

In our approach, the regularization effect of $\mathcal{R}$ will be exploited trough the decomposition (3.11). However, for reasons that will become clear in the following, it is convenient to start the analysis by using another representation of the expression resulting from the insertion of (3.11) in (3.10). If $\psi_{\mathbf{x}_i} \equiv \psi^{(\leq h)\sigma_i}_{\mathbf{x}_i,\omega_i}$, we can write, if the localization point is $\mathbf{x}_4$,

$$\begin{aligned}&\mathcal{R}\int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{i=1}^{4}\psi_{\mathbf{x}_i} W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) = \\ &= \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{i=1}^{4}\psi_{\mathbf{x}_i}\Big[W(\underline{\mathbf{x}}) - \delta(\mathbf{x}_3-\mathbf{x}_4)\int d\mathbf{y}_3 W(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{y}_3,\mathbf{x}_4)G_{\sigma_3}(\mathbf{y}_3-\mathbf{x}_4)\Big] + \\ &+ \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{i=1}^{4}\psi_{\mathbf{x}_i}\delta(\mathbf{x}_3-\mathbf{x}_4)\int d\mathbf{y}_3\Big[W(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{y}_3,\mathbf{x}_4)G_{\sigma_3}(\mathbf{y}_3-\mathbf{x}_4) - \\ &- \delta(\mathbf{x}_2-\mathbf{x}_4)\int d\mathbf{y}_2 W(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{y}_2,\mathbf{y}_3,\mathbf{x}_4)G_{\sigma_3}(\mathbf{y}_3-\mathbf{x}_4)G_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{y}_2-\mathbf{x}_4)\Big] + \\ &+ \int d\underline{\mathbf{x}} \prod_{i=1}^{4}\psi_{\mathbf{x}_i}\delta(\mathbf{x}_2-\mathbf{x}_4)\delta(\mathbf{x}_3-\mathbf{x}_4)\int d\mathbf{y}_2\int d\mathbf{y}_3\Big[W(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{y}_2,\mathbf{y}_3,\mathbf{x}_4)G_{\sigma_3}(\mathbf{y}_3-\mathbf{x}_4)\cdot \\ &\cdot G_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{y}_2-\mathbf{x}_4) - \delta(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_4)\int d\mathbf{y}_1 W(\mathbf{y}_1,\mathbf{y}_2,\mathbf{y}_3,\mathbf{x}_4)\prod_{i=1}^{3}G_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{y}_i-\mathbf{x}_4)\Big] \ ,\end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

where $\delta(\mathbf{x})$ is the antiperiodic delta function, that is

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} e^{i\sigma\mathbf{k}'\mathbf{x}} \ . \tag{3.15}$$

Similar expressions are obtained, if the localization point is chosen in a different way.

In the new representation, the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is seen as the decomposition of the original term in the sum of three terms, which are still of the form (3.3), but with a different kernel, containing suitable delta functions.

2)If $2n = 2$ and, possibly after a suitable permutation of the fields, $\underline{\sigma} = (+,-)$, $\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega$, by (2.74),

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{L}\int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\omega} = \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}T^{1(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{x}_1,\omega} \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)T^{1(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\omega} \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
T^{1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} &= \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} c_\beta(y_0-x_0)[c_L(y-x)+b_L d_L(y-x)]+ \\
&+[\bar\partial_1\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}+\frac{i\cos p_F}{2v_0}\bar\partial_1^2\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}]c_\beta(y_0-x_0)a_L d_L(y-x)+ \\
&+\partial_0\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} d_\beta(y_0-x_0)c_L(y-x) \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

where $d_L(x)$ and $d_\beta(x_0)$ are defined as in (2.96) and

$$c_L(x) = \cos(\pi x L^{-1}) \ , \quad c_\beta(x_0) = \cos(\pi x_0 \beta^{-1}) \ . \tag{3.18}$$

As in the item 1), we define the localization point as the $\mathbf{x}$ coordinate of the field which is left unchanged $\mathcal{L}$. We are free to choose it equal to $\mathbf{x}_1$ or $\mathbf{x}_2$. This freedom affects also the action of $\mathcal{R}$, which can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{R}\int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\omega} = \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}D^{2(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{x}_1,\omega} \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)D^{2(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\omega} \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

with

$$D^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} - T^{1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} \ . \tag{3.20}$$

Hence the effect of $\mathcal{R}$ can be described as the replacement of a $\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}$ field with a $D^{2(\le h)\sigma}$ field, with a gain in the bounds (see discussion in item 1) above) of a factor $\gamma^{-2(h-h')}$.

Also in this case, it is possible to write the regularized term in the form (3.3). We get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{R}\int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega}\Big\{W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})- \\
&-\delta(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})\int d\mathbf{z}W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{z})c_\beta(z_0-x_0)[c_L(z-x)+b_L d_L(z-x)]- \\
&-[-\bar\partial_1\delta(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})+\frac{i\cos p_F}{2v_0}\bar\partial_1^2\delta(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})]\int d\mathbf{z}W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{z})c_\beta(z_0-x_0)a_L d_L(z-x)- \\
&+\partial_0\delta(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})\int d\mathbf{z}W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{z})d_\beta(z_0-x_0)c_L(z-x)\Big\} \ .
\end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

3)If $2n = 2$ and, possibly after a suitable permutation of the fields, $\underline{\sigma} = (+,-)$, $\omega_1 = -\omega_2 = \omega$, by (2.74),

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{L}\int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,-\omega} = \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}T^{0(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{x}_1,-\omega} \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)T^{0(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,-\omega} \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

where

$$T^{0(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = c_\beta(y_0-x_0)c_L(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} \ . \tag{3.23}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{R}\int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,-\omega} = \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\omega}D^{1,2(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{x}_1,-\omega} \\
&= \int d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}_1-\mathbf{x}_2)D^{1,2(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2,\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{x}_2,-\omega} \ ,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.24}$$

where

$$D^{1,2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} - T^{0(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} \ . \tag{3.25}$$

Hence the effect of $\mathcal{R}$ can be described as the replacement of a $\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}$ field with a $D^{1,2(\le h)\sigma}$ field, with a gain in the bounds (see discussion in item 1) above) of a factor $\gamma^{-(h-h')}$. As before, we can also write

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathcal{R}\int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y} W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{y},-\omega} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\le h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\le h)-}_{\mathbf{y},-\omega} \cdot \\
&\cdot \left\{ W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) - \delta(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})\int d\mathbf{z} W^{(h)}_{2,\underline{\sigma},\underline{\omega}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{z})c_\beta(z_0-x_0)c_L(\mathbf{z}-\mathbf{x}) \right\} .
\end{aligned} \tag{3.26}$$

3.2 By using iteratively the "single scale expansion" (2.112), starting from $\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(1)} = \mathcal{V}^{(1)}$, we can write the effective potential $\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)})$, for $h \le 0$, in terms of a *tree expansion*, similar to that described, for example, in [BGPS].

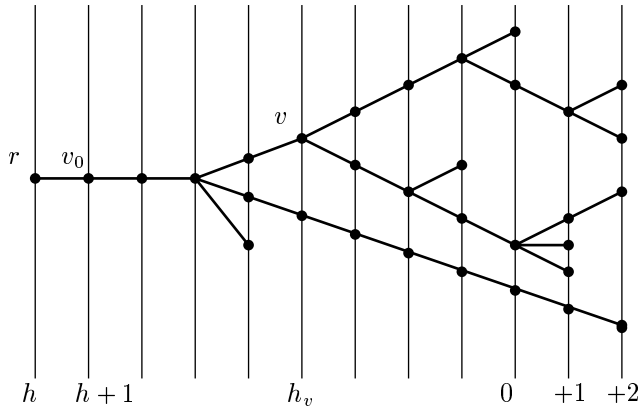

Fig. 1

We need some definitions and notations.

1) Let us consider the family of all trees which can be constructed by joining a point r, the *root*, with an ordered set of $n \geq 1$ points, the *endpoints* of the *unlabeled tree* (see Fig. 1), so that r is not a branching point. n will be called the *order* of the unlabeled tree and the branching points will be called the *non trivial vertices*. The unlabeled trees are partially ordered from the root to the endpoints in the natural way; we shall use the symbol $<$ to denote the partial order.

Two unlabeled trees are identified if they can be superposed by a suitable continuous deformation, so that the endpoints with the same index coincide. It is then easy to see that the number of unlabeled trees with n end-points is bounded by 4^n.

We shall consider also the *labeled trees* (to be called simply trees in the following); they are defined by associating some labels with the unlabeled trees, as explained in the following items.

2) We associate a label $h \leq 0$ with the root and we denote $\mathcal{T}_{h,n}$ the corresponding set of labeled trees with n endpoints. Moreover, we introduce a family of vertical lines, labeled by an an integer taking values in $[h, 2]$, and we represent any tree $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}$ so that, if v is an endpoint or a non trivial vertex, it is contained in a vertical line with index $h_v > h$, to be called the *scale* of v, while the root is on the line with index h. There is the constraint that, if v is an endpoint, $h_v > h + 1$.

The tree will intersect in general the vertical lines in set of points different from the root, the endpoints and the non trivial vertices; these points will be called *trivial vertices*. The set of the *vertices* of τ will be the union of the endpoints, the trivial vertices and the non trivial vertices. Note that, if v_1 and v_2 are two vertices and $v_1 < v_2$, then $h_{v_1} < h_{v_2}$.

Moreover, there is only one vertex immediately following the root, which will be denoted v_0 and can not be an endpoint; its scale is $h + 1$.

Finally, if there is only one endpoint, its scale must be equal to $+2$ or $h + 2$.

3) With each endpoint v of scale $h_v = +2$ we associate one of the two contributions to $\mathcal{V}^{(1)}(\psi^{(\leq 1)})$, written as in (3.1) and a set $\mathbf{x}_v$ of space-time points (the corresponding integration variables), two for $\lambda V_\lambda(\psi^{(\leq 1)})$, one for $\nu N(\psi^{(\leq 1)})$; we shall say that the endpoint is of type λ or ν, respectively. With each endpoint v of scale $h_v \leq 1$ we associate one of the four local terms that we obtain if we write $\mathcal{L}V^{(h_v-1)}$ (see (2.108)) by using the expressions (3.5) (there are four terms since F_α is the sum of two different local terms), and one space-time point $\mathbf{x}_v$; we shall say that the endpoint is of type ν, δ_1, δ_2, λ, with an obvious correspondence with the different terms.

Given a vertex v, which is not an endpoint, $\mathbf{x}_v$ will denote the family of all space-time points associated with one of the endpoints following v.

Moreover, we impose the constraint that, if v is an endpoint and $\mathbf{x}_v$ is a single space-time point (that is the corresponding term is local), $h_v = h_{v'} + 1$, if v' is the non trivial vertex immediately preceding v.

4) If v is not an endpoint, the *cluster* L_v with frequency h_v is the set of endpoints following the vertex v; if v is an endpoint, it is itself a (*trivial*) cluster. The tree provides an organization of endpoints into a hierarchy of clusters.

5) The trees containing only the root and an endpoint of scale $h+1$ will be called the *trivial trees*; note that they do not belong to $\mathcal{T}_{h,1}$, if $h \le 0$, and can be associated with the four terms in the local part of $\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}$.

6) We introduce a *field label* f to distinguish the field variables appearing in the terms associated with the endpoints as in item 3); the set of field labels associated with the endpoint v will be called I_v. Analogously, if v is not an endpoint, we shall call I_v the set of field labels associated with the endpoints following the vertex v; $\mathbf{x}(f)$, $\sigma(f)$ and $\omega(f)$ will denote the space-time point, the σ index and the ω index, respectively, of the field variable with label f.

If $h_v \le 0$, one of the field variables belonging to I_v carries also a discrete derivative $\bar{\partial}_1^m$, $m \in \{1,2\}$, if the corresponding local term is of type δ_m, see (3.5). Hence we can associate with each field label f an integer $m(f) \in \{0,1,2\}$, denoting the order of the discrete derivative. Note that $m(f)$ is not uniquely determined, since we are free to use the first or the second representation of $F_\alpha^{(\le h_v-1)}$ in (3.5); we shall use this freedom in the following.

By using (2.112), it is not hard to see that, if $h \le 0$, the effective potential can be written in the following way:

$$\mathcal{V}^{(h)}(\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) + L\beta\tilde{E}_{h+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\sum_{\tau\in\mathcal{T}_{h,n}} V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) \qquad (3.27)\ ,$$

where, if v_0 is the first vertex of τ and $\tau_1, .., \tau_s$ ($s = s_{v_0}$) are the subtrees of τ with root v_0, $V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)})$ is defined inductively by the relation

$$\begin{aligned} &V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) = \\ &\frac{(-1)^{s+1}}{s!}\mathcal{E}^T_{h+1}[\bar{V}^{(h+1)}(\tau_1, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h+1)}); ..; \bar{V}^{(h+1)}(\tau_s, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h+1)})]\ , \end{aligned} \qquad (3.28)$$

and $\bar{V}^{(h+1)}(\tau_i, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h+1)})$

a) is equal to $\mathcal{R}\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h+1)}(\tau_i, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h+1)})$ if the subtree τ_i is not trivial (see (2.107) for the definition of $\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h)}$);

b) if τ_i is trivial and $h \le -1$, it is equal to one of the terms in the r.h.s. of (2.108) with scale $h+1$ or, if $h = 0$, to one of the terms contributing to $\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(1)}(\psi^{\le 1})$.

If $h = 0$, the r.h.s. of (3.28) can be written more explicitly in the following way. Given $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{0,n}$, there are n endpoints of scale 2 and only another one vertex, v_0, of scale 1; let us call $v_1, \dots, v_n$ the endpoints. We choose, in any set I_{v_i}, a subset Q_{v_i} and we define $P_{v_0} = \cup_i Q_{v_i}$; then we can write (recall that $Z_0 = 1$)

$$V^{(0)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_0}\psi^{(\le 0)}) = \sum_{P_{v_0}} V^{(0)}(\tau, P_{v_0})\ , \qquad (3.29)$$

$$V^{(0)}(\tau, P_{v_0}) = \sqrt{Z_0}^{|P_{v_0}|} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \tilde{\psi}^{\leq 0}(P_{v_0}) K^{(1)}_{\tau, P_{v_0}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ , \tag{3.30}$$

$$K^{(1)}_{\tau, P_{v_0}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) = \frac{1}{n!} \mathcal{E}_1^T [\tilde{\psi}^{(1)}(P_{v_1} \backslash Q_{v_1}), \dots, \tilde{\psi}^{(1)}(P_{v_n} \backslash Q_{v_n})] \prod_{i=1}^{n} K^{(2)}_{v_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i}) \ , \tag{3.31}$$

where we used the definitions

$$\tilde{\psi}^{(h)}(P_v) = \prod_{f \in P_v} \bar{\partial}_1^{m(f)} \psi^{(h)\sigma(f)}_{\mathbf{x}(f), \omega(f)} \ , \tag{3.32}$$

$$K^{(2)}_{v_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i}) = e^{i\mathbf{p}_F \sum_{f \in I_{v_i}} \mathbf{x}(f)\sigma(f)} \begin{cases} \lambda v_\lambda(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) & \text{if } v_i \text{ is of type } \lambda \text{ and } \mathbf{x}_{v_i} = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \\ \nu & \text{if } v_i \text{ is of type } \nu, \end{cases} \tag{3.33}$$

and we suppose that the order of the (anticommuting) field variables in (3.32) is suitable chosen in order to fix the sign as in (3.31).

Note that the terms with $P_{v_0} \neq \emptyset$ in the r.h.s. of (3.29) contribute to $L\beta \tilde{E}_1$, while the others contribute to $\mathcal{V}^{(0)}(\sqrt{Z_0}\psi^{(\leq 0)})$.

The potential $\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(0)}(\sqrt{Z_{-1}}\psi^{(\leq 0)})$, needed to iterate the previous procedure, is obtained, as explained in §2.5 and §2.8, by decomposing $\mathcal{V}^{(0)}$ in the sum of $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{V}^{(0)}$ and $\mathcal{R}\mathcal{V}^{(0)}$, by moving afterwards some local terms to the free measure and finally by rescaling the fields variables. The representation we get for $\mathcal{V}^{(-1)}(\sqrt{Z_{-1}}\psi^{(\leq -1)})$ depends on the representation we use for $\mathcal{R}V^{(0)}(\tau, P_{v_0})$. We choose to use that based on (3.14), (3.21) and (3.26), where the regularization is seen, for each term in the r.h.s. of (3.29) with $P_{v_0} \neq \emptyset$, as a modification of the kernel

$$W^{(0)}_{\tau, P_{v_0}}(\mathbf{x}_{P_{v_0}}) = \int d(\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \backslash \mathbf{x}_{P_{v_0}}) K^{(1)}_{\tau, P_{v_0}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ , \tag{3.34}$$

where $\mathbf{x}_{P_{v_0}} = \cup_{f \in P_{v_0}} \mathbf{x}(f)$. In order to remember this choice, we write

$$\mathcal{R}V^{(0)}(\tau, P_{v_0}) = \sqrt{Z_0}^{|P_{v_0}|} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \tilde{\psi}^{(\leq 0)}(P_{v_0}) [\mathcal{R}K^{(1)}_{\tau, P_{v_0}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})] \ . \tag{3.35}$$

It is then easy to get, by iteration of the previous procedure, a simple expression for $V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\leq h)})$, for any $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}$.

We associate with any vertex v of the tree a subset P_v of I_v, the *external fields* of v. These subsets must satisfy various constraints. First of all, if v is not an endpoint and $v_1, \dots, v_{s_v}$ are the vertices immediately following it, then $P_v \subset \cup_i P_{v_i}$; if v is an endpoint, $P_v = I_v$. We shall denote Q_{v_i} the intersection of P_v and P_{v_i}; this definition implies that $P_v = \cup_i Q_{v_i}$. The subsets $P_{v_i} \backslash Q_{v_i}$, whose union will be made, by definition, of the *internal fields* of v, have to be non empty, if $s_v > 1$.

Given $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}$, there are many possible choices of the subsets P_v, $v \in \tau$, compatible with all the constraints; we shall denote $\mathcal{P}_\tau$ the family of all these choices and $\mathbf{P}$ the elements of $\mathcal{P}_\tau$. Then we can write

$$V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\leq h)}) = \sum_{\mathbf{P} \in \mathcal{P}_\tau} V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}) \ ; \tag{3.36}$$

$V^{(h)}(\tau,\mathbf{P})$ can be represented as in (3.30), that is as

$$V^{(h)}(\tau,\mathbf{P}) = \sqrt{Z_h}^{|P_{v_0}|} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0}\, \tilde{\psi}^{(\le h)}(P_{v_0}) K^{(h+1)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \;, \tag{3.37}$$

with $K^{(h+1)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})$ defined inductively (recall that $h_{v_0} = h+1$) by the equation, valid for any $v \in \tau$ which is not an endpoint,

$$\begin{aligned} K^{(h_v)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_v) = \frac{1}{s_v!} \left(\frac{Z_{h_v}}{Z_{h_v-1}}\right)^{\frac{|P_v|}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^{s_v} [K^{(h_v+1)}_{v_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i})] \cdot \\ \cdot\; \tilde{\mathcal{E}}^T_{h_v}[\tilde{\psi}^{(h_v)}(P_{v_1}\backslash Q_{v_1}), \dots, \tilde{\psi}^{(h_v)}(P_{v_{s_v}}\backslash Q_{v_{s_v}})] \;, \end{aligned} \tag{3.38}$$

where $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}^T_h$ denotes the truncated expectation with propagator $g^{(h)}$ (without the scaling factor Z_{h-1}, which is present in the definition of $\mathcal{E}^T_h$ used in (2.112)) and $Z_1 \equiv 1$. Moreover, if v is an endpoint and $h_v = 2$, $K^{(h_v)}_v(\mathbf{x}_v)$ is defined by (3.33), otherwise

$$K^{(h_v)}_v(\mathbf{x}_v) = \begin{cases} \lambda_{h_v-1} & \text{if } v \text{ is of type } \lambda \;, \\ i\omega\delta_{h_v-1} & \text{if } v \text{ is of type } \delta_1,\, d_2 \text{ and } \omega(f) = \omega \text{ for both } f \in I_v, \\ \omega\gamma^{h_v-1}\nu_{h_v-1} & \text{if } v \text{ is of type } \nu \text{ and } \omega(f) = \omega \text{ for both } f \in I_v. \end{cases} \tag{3.39}$$

If v is not an endpoint, $K^{(h_v)}_v = \mathcal{R} K^{(h_v)}_{\tau_i,\mathbf{P}_i}$, where $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{s_v}$ are the subtrees of τ with root v, $\mathbf{P}_i = \{P_v, v \in \tau_i\}$ and the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is defined using the representation (3.14), (3.21) and (3.26) of the regularization operation, seen as a modification of the kernel

$$W^{(h_v)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_{P_v}) = \int d(\mathbf{x}_v \backslash \mathbf{x}_{P_v}) K^{(h_v)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_v) \;, \tag{3.40}$$

where $\mathbf{x}_{P_v} = \cup_{f\in P_v} \mathbf{x}(f)$. Finally we suppose again that the order of the (anticommuting) field variables is suitable chosen in order to fix the sign as in (3.37).

Remark - The definitions (3.14), (3.21) and (3.26) of $\mathcal{R}$ are sufficient, even if they are restricted to external fields with $m(f) = 0$, because we can use the freedom in the definition of $m(f)$, see item 6) above, so that the external fields of v have always $m(f) = 0$, if v is a vertex where the $\mathcal{R}$ operation is acting on. This last claim follows from the observation that, since the truncated expectation in (3.38) vanishes if $s_v > 1$ and $P_{v_i}\backslash Q_{v_1} = \emptyset$ for some i, at least one of the fields associated with the endpoints of type δ_1 or δ_2, the only ones which have fields with $m(f) > 0$, has to be an internal field; hence, if one of the two fields is external, we can put $m(f) = 0$ for it. If $s_v = 1$ the previous argument should not work, but in this case the only vertex immediately following v can be an endpoint of type δ_1 or δ_2 only if $v = v_0$, see item 2 above; however this is not a problem since the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on a local term is equal to 0.

Note also that the kernel $K^{(h_v)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_v)$ is translation invariant, if $\sum_{f\in P_v} \sigma(f) = 0$; in general, it satisfies the relation

$$K^{(h_v)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_v + \mathbf{x}) = e^{i\mathbf{p}_F \mathbf{x} \sum_{f\in P_v} \sigma(f)} K^{(h_v)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P}}(\mathbf{x}_v) \;. \tag{3.41}$$

There is a simple interpretation of $V^{(h)}(\tau,\mathbf{P})$ as the sum of a family $\mathcal{G}_\mathbf{P}$ of connected Feynman graphs build with single scale propagators of different scales, connecting the space-time points associated with the endpoints of the tree. A graph $g \in \mathcal{G}_\mathbf{P}$ is build by contracting,

for any $v \in \tau$, all the internal fields in couples in all possible ways, by using the propagator g^{h_v} , so that we get a connected Feynman graph, if we represent as single points all the clusters associated with the vertices immediately following v. These graphs have the property that the set of lines connecting the endpoints of the cluster L_v and having scale $h' \geq h_v$ is a connected subgraph; by the way this property is indeed another constraint on the possible choices of $\mathbf{P}$. We shall call these graphs *compatible* with $\mathbf{P}$.

3.3 The representation (3.37) of $V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P})$ is based on the choice of representing the regularization as acting on the kernels. If we use instead the representation of $\mathcal{R}$ based on (3.10), (3.11), (3.19) and (3.24), some field variables have to be substituted with new ones, depending on two space-time points and containing possibly some derivatives. As we shall see, these new variables allow to get the right dimensional bounds, at the price of making much more involved the combinatorics. Hence, it is convenient to introduce a label $r_v(f)$ to keep trace of the regularization in the vertices of the tree where f is associated with an external field and the action of $\mathcal{R}$ turns out to be *non trivial*, that is $\mathcal{R} \neq 1$.

There are many vertices, where $\mathcal{R} = 1$ by definition, that is the vertices with more than 4 external fields, the endpoints and v_0. For these vertices all external fields will be associated with a label $r_v(f) = 0$.

Moreover, since $\mathcal{L}\mathcal{R} = 0$, the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is trivial even in most trivial vertices v with $|P_v| \leq 4$. This happens if the vertex (trivial or not) $\tilde{v}$ immediately following v has the same number of external fields as v, since then the kernels associated with v and $\tilde{v}$ are identical, up to a rescaling constant. In particular, this remark implies that, given the non trivial vertex v and the non trivial vertex v' immediately preceding v on the tree, there are at most two vertices $\bar{v}$, such that $v' < \bar{v} \leq v$ and the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial. For the same reason, given an endpoint v of scale $h_v = +2$ of type λ (hence not local), there are at most two vertices between v and the non trivial vertex v' immediately preceding v, where the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial. Since the number of endpoints is n and the number of non trivial vertices is bounded by $n-1$, the number of vertices where the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial is bounded by $2(2n-1)$.

Let us now consider one of these vertices, which all have 4 or 2 external fields. If $|P_v| = 2$ and the ω indices of the external fields are equal, we keep trace of the regularization by labeling the field variable, which is substituted with a D^2 field, see (3.19), with $r_v(f) = 2$ and the other with $r_v(f) = 0$. In principle we are free to decide which variable is labeled with $r_v(f) = 2$, that is how we fix the localization point; we make a choice in the following way. If there is no non trivial vertex v' such that $v_0 \leq v' < v$, we make an arbitrary choice, otherwise we put $r_v(f) = 2$ for the field which is an internal field in the nearest non trivial vertex preceding v. In other words, we try to avoid that a field affected by the regularization stays external in the vertices preceding v.

If $|P_v| = 2$ and the ω indices of the external fields are different, we label the field variable, which is substituted with a $D^{1,2}$ field, see (3.24), with $r_v(f) = 1$ and the other with $r_v(f) = 0$; which variable is labeled with $r_v(f) = 1$ is decided as in the previous case.

If $|P_v| = 4$, first of all we choose the localization point in the following way. If there is a vertex v' such that $v_0 \leq v' < v$ and $P_{v'}$ contains one and only one $f \in P_v$, we chose $\mathbf{x}(f)$ as the localization point in v; in the other cases, we make an arbitrary choice. After that, we split the kernel associated with v into three terms as in (3.14); then we distinguish the three terms by putting $r_v(f) = 1$ for the external field which is substituted with a $D^{1,1(\leq h)}$ field, when the delta functions are eliminated, and $r_v(f) = 0$ for the others.

The previous definitions imply that, given $f \in I_{v_0}$, it is possible that there are many different vertices in the tree, such that $r_v(f) \neq 0$, that is many vertices where the corresponding field variable appears as an external field and the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial. As a consequence, the expressions given in §3.1 for the regularized potentials would not be sufficient and we should consider more general expressions, containing as external fields more general variables. Even worse, there is the risk that field derivatives of arbitrary order have to be considered; this event would produce "bad" factorials in the bounds. Fortunately, we can prove that this phenomenon can be easily controlled, thanks to our choice of the localization point, see above, by a more careful analysis of the regularization procedure, that we shall keep trace of by changing the definition of the $r_v(f)$ labels.

Let us suppose first that $|P_v| = 4$ and that there is $f \in P_v$, such that $r_{\bar{v}}(f) \neq 0$ for some $\bar{v} > v$. We want to show that the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on v is indeed trivial; hence we can put $r_v(f) = 0$ for all $f \in P_v$, in agreement with the fact that the contribution to the effective potential associated with v is dimensionally irrelevant. First of all, note that it is not possible that $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 2$, as a consequence of the choice of the localization point in the vertices with two external fields, see above. On the other hand, if $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$, the fact that the action of $\mathcal{R}$ in the vertex v is equal to the identity follows from the observation following (3.13) and the definition (2.72).

Let us now consider the vertices v with $P_v = (f_1, f_2)$. We can exclude as before that $r_{\bar{v}}(f_i) \neq 0$ for $i = 1$ or $i = 2$ or both and $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 2$. The same conclusion can be reached, if there is no vertex $\bar{v} > v$, such that $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$, the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on $\bar{v}$ is non trivial and both f_1 and f_2 belong to the set of its external fields; this claim easily follows from the criterion for the choice of the localization point in the vertices with 4 external fields.

If, on the contrary, f_1 and f_2 are both labels of external fields of a vertex $\bar{v} > v$, such that $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$ and the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial, we have to distinguish two possibilities. If there is a non trivial vertex v' such that $v_0 \leq v' < v$, and one of the external fields of v, let us say of label f_1, is an internal field, our choice of the localization points imply that both $r_v(f_1)$ and $r_{\bar{v}}(f_1)$ are different from 0, while $r_v(f_2) = r_{\bar{v}}(f_2) = 0$. If there is no non trivial

vertex $v' < v$ with the previous property, that is if f_1 and f_2 are both labels of external fields down to v_0 (hence all vertices between v and v_0 are trivial) or they become together labels of internal fields in some vertex $v' < v$, we are still free to choose as we want the localization points in v and $\bar{v}$; we decide to choose them equal.

The previous discussion implies that, as a consequence of our prescriptions, a field variable can be affected by the regularization only once, except in the case considered in the last paragraph. However, also in this case, it is easy to see that everything works as we did not apply to the variable with label f_1 the regularization in the vertex $\bar{v}$. In fact, the first or second order zero (modulo (L, β)) in the difference $\mathbf{x}(f_1) - \mathbf{x}(f_2)$, related to the regularization in the vertex v, see §3.1, cancels the contribution of the term proportional to the delta function, related with the regularization of $\bar{v}$, see (3.14). This apparent lack of regularization in $\bar{v}$ is compensated by the fact that $\mathbf{x}(f_1) - \mathbf{x}(f_2)$ is of order $\gamma^{-h_{\bar{v}}}$, hence smaller than the factor γ^{-h_v} sufficient for the regularization of v (together with the improving effect of the field derivative). Hence there is a gain with respect to the usual bound of a factor $\gamma^{-(h_{\bar{v}}-h_v)}$, sufficient to regularize the vertex $\bar{v}$.

3.4 There is in principle another problem. Let us suppose that we decide to represent all the non trivial $\mathcal{R}$ operations as acting on the field variables. Let us suppose also that the field variable with label f is substituted, by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on the vertex v, with a $D^{1,i}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}}$ or a $D^{2}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}}$ field, where $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}(f)$ and $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(f')$ is the corresponding localization point. At first sight it seems possible that even the variable with label f' can be substituted with a $D^{1,i}$ or a D^2 field by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on a vertex $\bar{v} > v$. If this happens, the point $\mathbf{x}(f')$ can not be considered as fixed and there is an "interference" between the two regularization operations, or even more than two, since this phenomenon could involve an ordered chain of vertices. This interference would not produce bad factorials in the bounds, but would certainly make more involved our expansion. However, we can show that, thanks to our localization prescription, this problem is not really present.

Let us suppose first that $|P_v| = 2$. In this case, if the field with label f' is external in some vertex $\bar{v} > v$, with $|P_{\bar{v}}|$ equal to 2 or 4, we are sure that $\mathbf{x}(f')$ is the localization point in $\bar{v}$, see §3.3, hence the corresponding filed can not be affected by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on $\bar{v}$. The same conclusion can be reached, if $|P_v| = 4$ and $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 2$

If $|P_v| = |P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$ and the field with label f' is substituted, by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on the vertex $\bar{v}$, with a $D^{1,i}$ or a ^{2} field, we know that the same can not be true for the field with label f, since the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on v is trivial.

The previous discussion implies that the field with label f' can be affected by the regularization (if $|P_v| = |P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$) only by changing its $\mathbf{x}$ label, but this is not a source of any problem.

3.5 In this section we want to discuss the representation of the fields $D^{1,i(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\bar{\omega}}$, $i = 1, 2$,

and $D^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ introduced in §3.1, which allows to exploit the regularization properties of the $\mathcal{R}$ operation. In order to do that, we extend the definition of the fields $\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$ to $\mathbb{R}^2$, by using (2.49); we get functions with values in the Grassman algebra, antiperiodic in x_0 and x with periods β and L, respectively.

Let us choose a family of positive functions $\chi_{\eta,\eta'}(\mathbf{x})$, $\eta,\eta' \in \{-1,0,+1\}$, on $\mathbb{R}^2$, such that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\eta,\eta'}(\mathbf{x}) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |x-\eta| \le 1/4 \text{ and } |x_0-\eta'| \le 1/4 \\ 0 & \text{if } |x-\eta| \ge 3/4 \text{ or } |x_0-\eta'| \ge 3/4 \end{cases} \\ \sum_{\eta,\eta'} \chi_{\eta,\eta'}(\mathbf{x}) &= 1 \quad \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in [-1,1]\times[-1,1]\,. \end{aligned} \tag{3.42}$$

Given $\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y} \in \Lambda \times [-\beta/2,\beta/2]$, if $\chi_{\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}-\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) > 0$, where $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = (x/L, x_0/\beta)$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = (y/L, y_0/\beta)$, we can define $\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y} - (\eta L, \eta'\beta)$, so that $|x_0 - \bar{y}_0| \le 3\beta/4$ and $|x-\bar{y}| \le 3L/4$. We see immediately that $D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = (-1)^{\eta+\eta'} D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ and we can write

$$D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\mathbf{x},\omega} = [\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\omega} - \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}] + [1 - G_\sigma(\bar{\mathbf{y}}-\mathbf{x})]\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\,. \tag{3.43}$$

It is easy to see that, if $|y_0| \le 3\beta/4$ and $|y| \le 3L/4$,

$$1 - G_\sigma(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{L}\bar{h}_1(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}) d_L(y) + \frac{1}{\beta}\bar{h}_2(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}) d_\beta(y_0)\,, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{y}} = (y/L, y_0/\beta)\,, \tag{3.44}$$

where $\bar{h}_i(\mathbf{y})$, $i=1,2$, are suitable functions, uniformly smooth in L and β. Moreover

$$\psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\omega} - \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} = (\bar{\mathbf{y}}-\mathbf{x}) \cdot \int_0^1 dt\, \partial\, \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}(t),\omega}\,, \quad \boldsymbol{\xi}(t) = \mathbf{x} + t(\bar{\mathbf{y}}-\mathbf{x})\,, \tag{3.45}$$

where $\partial = (\partial_1, \partial_0)$ is the gradient, and it is easy to see that, if $|y_0| \le 3\beta/4$ and $|y| \le 3L/4$,

$$\mathbf{y} = \big(\bar{h}_3(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}) d_L(y), \bar{h}_4(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}) d_\beta(y_0)\big)\,, \tag{3.46}$$

where $\bar{h}_i(\mathbf{y})$, $i=3,4$, are other suitable functions, uniformly smooth in L and β.

Hence we can write

$$\begin{aligned} D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = \sum_{\eta,\eta'} \Big\{ &\left[\frac{1}{L} h_{1,\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) d_L(y-x) + \frac{1}{\beta} h_{2,\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) d_\beta(y_0-x_0)\right] \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} + \\ &+ h_{3,\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) d_L(y-x) \int_0^1 dt\, \partial_1 \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}(t),\omega} + h_{4,\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) d_\beta(y_0-x_0) \int_0^1 dt\, \partial_0 \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}(t),\omega} \Big\}\,, \end{aligned} \tag{3.47}$$

where

$$h_{i,\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) = (-1)^{\eta+\eta'} \chi_{\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}-\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \bar{h}_i((\bar{y}-x)/L, (\bar{y}_0-x_0)/\beta)\,, \quad i=1,4, \tag{3.48}$$

are smooth functions with support in the region $\{|y-x-\eta L| \le 3L/4, |y_0-x_0-\eta'\beta| \le 3\beta/4\}$, such that their derivatives of order n are bounded by a constant (depending on n) times $\gamma^{n h_{L,\beta}}$.

A similar expression is valid for $D^{1,2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$. Let us now consider $D^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$, see (3.20). We can write

$$D^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = (-1)^{\eta+\eta'} \tilde{D}^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\mathbf{x},\omega} + h(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}-\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) d_L(y-x) \bar{\partial}_1^2 \psi^{(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\,, \tag{3.49}$$

where $h(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})$ is a uniformly smooth function and

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{D}^{2(\leq h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\mathbf{x},\omega} &= \psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\bar{\mathbf{y}},\omega} - \psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} - (\bar{\mathbf{y}}-\mathbf{x})\cdot\partial\,\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} - \\ &- \psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\{[c_\beta(\bar{y}_0-x_0)c_L(\bar{y}-x)-1]+b_L c_\beta(\bar{y}_0-x_0)d_L(\bar{y}-x)\} - \\ &- \bar{\partial}_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\{[c_\beta(\bar{y}_0-x_0)-1]d_L(\bar{y}-x)+[d_L(\bar{y}-x)-(\bar{y}-x)]\} - \\ &- (\bar{y}-x)[\bar{\partial}_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} - \partial_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}] - \partial_0\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}[d_\beta(\bar{y}_0-x_0)c_L(y-x)-(\bar{y}_0-x_0)]\,.\end{aligned} \tag{3.50}$$

Note that

$$\bar{\partial}_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} - \partial_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} = \frac{i\sigma}{L\beta}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'\in\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}} e^{i\sigma\mathbf{k}'\mathbf{x}}(\sin k'-k')\hat{\psi}^{(h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{k}',\omega} \tag{3.51}$$

behaves dimensionally as $\partial_1^3\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}$, hence we shall define

$$\bar{\partial}_1^3\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} = \bar{\partial}_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} - \partial_1\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\,. \tag{3.52}$$

It is now easy to show that there exist functions $h_{\underline{n},\eta,\eta'}(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x})$, with $\underline{n}=(n_1,\dots,n_6)$, and $h_{i,j,\eta,\eta'}(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x})$, $i,j=0,1$, smooth uniformly in L and β, such that

$$\begin{aligned}D^{2(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = \sum_{\eta,\eta'}\Big\{ &\sum_{\underline{n}} h_{\underline{n},\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}})d_L(y-x)^{n_1}d_\beta(y_0-x_0)^{n_2}L^{-n_3}\beta^{-n_4}\bar{\partial}_1^{n_5}\partial_0^{n_6}\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} + \\ &+\sum_{i,j} h_{i,j,\eta,\eta'}(\tilde{\mathbf{y}},\tilde{\mathbf{x}})d_i(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})d_i(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x})\int_0^1 dt(1-t)\partial_i\partial_j\psi^{(\leq h)\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}(t),\omega}\Big\}\,,\end{aligned} \tag{3.53}$$

the sum over $\underline{n}$ being constrained by the conditions

$$n_1+n_2\leq 2\,,\quad 3\geq\sum_{i=3}^6 n_i\geq 2\,. \tag{3.54}$$

3.6 In order to exploit the regularization properties of formulas like (3.47) or (3.53), one has to prove that the "zeros" $d_L(y-x)$ and $d_\beta(y_0-x_0)$ give a contribution to the bounds of order $\gamma^{-h'}$, with $h'\geq h$, if h is the scale at which the zero was produced by the action of $\mathcal{R}$. In §3.7 we shall realize this task by "distributing" the zeros along a path connecting a family of space-time points associated with a subset of field variables. Let $\mathbf{x}_0=\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_n=\mathbf{y}$ be the family of points connected by the path; it is easy to show that

$$d_L(y-x)=\sum_{r=1}^n d_L(x_r-x_{r-1})e^{-i\frac{\pi}{L}(x_r+x_{r-1}-x_n-x_0)}\,. \tag{3.55}$$

A similar expression is valid for $d_\beta(y_0-x_0)$.

It can happen that one of the terms in the r.h.s. of (3.55) or the analogous expansion for $d_\beta(y_0-x_0)$ depends on the same space-time points as the integration variables in the r.h.s. of a term like (3.21) or (3.26). We want to study the effect of this event. Let us call $W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ the kernel appearing in the l.h.s. of (3.21) or (3.26), $W_R(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ its regularization, that is the quantity appearing in braces in the corresponding r.h.s., and let us define

$$I_{n_1,n_2}=\int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega}W_R(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})[e^{-i\pi\frac{y}{L}}d_L(y-x)]^{n_1}[e^{-i\pi\frac{y_0}{\beta}}d_\beta(y_0-x_0)]^{n_2}\,. \tag{3.56}$$

In the following we shall meet such expressions for values of n_1 and n_2, such that $1 \leq n_1 + n_2 \leq 2$.

If $W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ is the kernel appearing in the l.h.s. of (3.26), it is easy to see that, if $n_1+n_2 \geq 1$,

$$I_{n_1,n_2} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega}W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})[e^{-i\pi\frac{y}{L}}d_L(y-x)]^{n_1}[e^{-i\pi\frac{y_0}{\beta}}d_\beta(y_0-x_0)]^{n_2} \ , \quad (3.57)$$

that is the presence of the zeros simply erases the effect of the regularization.

Let us now suppose that $W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ is the kernel appearing in the l.h.s. of (3.21) and $W_R(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})$ its regularization. We have

$$\begin{aligned} I_{1,0} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})d_L(y-x)\Big\{D^{1,3(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} - \\ - c_\beta(y_0-x_0)[\frac{1}{2}\bar\partial_1^2(e^{-i\pi\frac{x}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}) + \frac{i\cos p_F}{v_0}\bar\partial_1(e^{-i\pi\frac{x}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega})]\Big\} \ , \end{aligned} \quad (3.58)$$

$$I_{0,1} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})d_\beta(y_0-x_0)D^{1,4(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} \ , \quad (3.59)$$

where

$$D^{1,3(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = e^{-i\pi\frac{y}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} - c_\beta(y_0-x_0)e^{-i\pi\frac{x}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} \ . \quad (3.60)$$

$$D^{1,4(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega} = e^{-i\pi\frac{y_0}{\beta}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} - c_L(y-x)e^{-i\pi\frac{x_0}{\beta}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} \ . \quad (3.61)$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} I_{2,0} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})d_L(y-x)\Big\{d_L(y-x)e^{-2i\pi\frac{y}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} - \frac{c_\beta(y_0-x_0)}{a_L} \cdot \\ \cdot \ [\bar\partial_1(e^{-2i\pi\frac{x}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}) + \frac{i\cos p_F}{v_0}\big(e^{-2i\pi\frac{x}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} + \frac{1}{2}\bar\partial_1^2(e^{-2i\pi\frac{x}{L}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{x},\omega})\big)]\Big\} \ , \end{aligned} \quad (3.62)$$

$$I_{0,2} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})d_\beta(y_0-x_0)^2e^{-2i\pi\frac{y_0}{\beta}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} \ , \quad (3.63)$$

$$I_{1,1} = \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{y}\psi^{(\leq h)+}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}W(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})d_L(y-x)d_\beta(y_0-x_0)e^{-i\pi\frac{y}{L}-i\pi\frac{y_0}{\beta}}\psi^{(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\omega} \ . \quad (3.64)$$

Note that no cancellations are possible for $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{y}$ modulo (L,β) between the various terms contributing to I_{n_1,n_2}; hence they will be bounded separately.

Note also that the fields $D^{1,3(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ and $D^{1,4(\leq h)-}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ have a zero of first order for $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{y}$ modulo (L,β) and can be represented by expressions analogous to the r.h.s. of (3.47). Moreover, the terms contributing to $I_{0,1}$ and $I_{1,0}$ and containing these fields can also be written in a form analogous to (3.26).

Finally, we want to stress the fact that the integrands in the previous expressions of I_{n_1,n_2}, $1 \leq n_1+n_2 \leq 2$, have a zero of order at most two for $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{y}$ modulo (L,β), that is a zero of order not higher of the zero introduced in the r.h.s. of (3.56). As it will be more clear in §3.7, this property would be lost if one uses the representation (3.19) of the regularization

operation, before performing the "decomposition of the zeros"; one should get in this case a zero of order four and the iteration of the procedure of decomposition of the zeros would produce zeros of arbitrary order and, as a consequence, bad combinatorial factors in the bounds.

3.7 We are now ready to describe in more detail our expansion. First of all, we insert the decomposition (3.14) of $V^{(h)}(\tau, \psi^{(\leq h)})$ in the vertices with $|P_v| = 4$, by following the prescription for the choice of the localization point described in §3.3. The discussion of §3.3 allows also to define a new label $r(f)$, to be called the $\mathcal{R}$-label, for any $f \in I_{v_0}$, by putting

(i) $r(f) = 0$, if $r_v(f) = 0$ for any v such that $f \in P_v$;

(ii) $r(f) = (i, v)$, if there exists one and only one vertex v, such that $f \in P_v$ and $r_v(f) = i \neq 0$;

(iii) $r(f) = (2, v, \bar{v})$, if there are two vertices v and $\bar{v}$, such that $v < \bar{v}$, $f \in P_v \subset P_{\bar{v}}$, $|P_v| = 2$, $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$, $r_v(f) = 2$, $r_{\bar{v}}(f) = 1$; see discussion in the last two paragraphs of §3.3.

Then, we can write

$$V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\leq h)}) = \sum_{\mathbf{P} \in \mathcal{P}_\tau, \mathbf{r}} V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}) \ , \tag{3.65}$$

where $\mathbf{r} = \{r(f), f \in I_{v_0}\}$ and the sum over $\mathbf{r}$ must be understood as the sum over the possible choices of $\mathbf{r}$ compatible with $\mathbf{P}$.

We can also write

$$V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{Z_h}^{|P_{v_0}|} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} K^{(h)}_{\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \tilde{\psi}^{(\leq h)}(P_{v_0}) \ , \tag{3.66}$$

with $K^{(h)}_{\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})$ defined inductively as in (3.38).

Let us consider first the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on $V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r})$. We can write for $\mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r})$ an expression similar to (3.66), if we continue to use for the $\mathcal{R}$ operation the representation based on (3.14),(3.21) and (3.26), which affects the kernels leaving the fields unchanged. We shall use the notation

$$\mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}) = \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \tilde{\psi}^{(\leq h)}(P_{v_0}) [\mathcal{R}K^{(h)}_{\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})] \ . \tag{3.67}$$

Moreover, we define $\mathbf{r}'$ so that $r'(f) = r(f)$ except for the field labels $f \in P_{v_0}$, for which $r'(f)$ takes into account also the regularization acting on v_0.

However, we can use for the $\mathcal{R}$ operation also the representation based on (3.10), (3.11), (3.19) and (3.24), which can be derived from the previous one by integrating the δ-functions; the effect is to replace one of the external fields with one of the fields $D^{1,i(\leq h)\sigma}$, $i = 1, 2$ or $D^{2(\leq h)\sigma}$. We can describe the result by writing

$$\mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}) = \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} [\mathcal{R}\tilde{\psi}^{(\leq h)}(P_{v_0})] K^{(h)}_{\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ . \tag{3.68}$$

The discussion in §3.3 and §3.5 implies that there is a finite set A_{v_0}, such that

$$[\mathcal{R}\tilde{\psi}^{(\le h)}(P_{v_0})] = \sum_{\alpha\in A_{v_0}} h_\alpha(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) d_L^{n_1(\alpha)} d_\beta^{n_2(\alpha)} \prod_{f\in P_{v_0}} [\hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f)}_{j_\alpha(f)}\psi]^{(\le h)\sigma(f)}_{\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f),\omega(f)} \ , \tag{3.69}$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}} = (L^{-1}x_{P_{v_0}}, \beta^{-1}x_{0P_{v_0}})$, $d_L^{n_1(\alpha)}$ and $d_\beta^{n_2(\alpha)}$ are powers of the functions (2.96), with argument the difference of two points belonging to $\mathbf{x}_{P_{v_0}}$, and $\hat\partial^q_j$, $q = 0,1,2$, $j = 1,\dots,m_q$, is a family of operators acting on the field variables, which are dimensionally equivalent to derivatives of order q. In particular $m_0 = 1$, $\hat\partial^0_1$ is the identity and the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is trivial, that is $|A_{v_0}| = 1$, $h_\alpha = 1$, $n_1(\alpha) = n_2(\alpha) = 0$ and $q_\alpha(f) = 0$ for any $f \in P_{v_0}$, except in the following cases.

1) If $|P_{v_0}| = 4$ and $r(f) = 0$ for any $f \in P_{v_0}$, there is $\bar f \in P_{v_0}$, such that the action of $\mathcal{R}$ over the fields consists in replacing one of the field variables with a $D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ field, where $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}(\bar f)$ and $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(f)$ for some other $f \in P_{v_0}$, see (3.11); moreover, one or two of the other fields change their space-time point. We write $D^{1,1(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ in the representation (3.47); the resulting expression is of the form (3.69), with A_{v_0} consisting of four different terms, such that $d_L = d_L(y-x)$, $d_\beta = d_\beta(y_0-x_0)$, $n_1(\alpha)+n_2(\alpha) = 1$ and, for all $f \neq \bar f$, $q_\alpha(f) = 0$, while $q_\alpha(\bar f) = 1$. Moreover, if $f \neq \bar f$, $\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f)$ is a single point belonging to $\mathbf{x}_{P_{v_0}}$, not necessarily coinciding with $\mathbf{x}(f)$, while, if $f = \bar f$, $\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f)$ is equal to $\mathbf{x}$ or to the couple $(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y})$ (using the previous definitions). The precise values of $\mathbf{x}_\alpha(\bar f)$ and $[\hat\partial^1_{j_\alpha(\bar f)}\psi]^{(\le h)\sigma(\bar f)}_{\mathbf{x}_\alpha(\bar f),\omega(\bar f)}$, together with the functions h_α, can be deduced from (3.47).

2) If $P_{v_0} = (f_1, f_2)$ and $\omega(f_1) = \omega(f_2)$, the action of $\mathcal{R}$ consists in replacing one of the external fields, of label, let us say, f_1, with a $D^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ field, where $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}(f_1)$ and $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(f_2)$, if f_2 is the second field label. By using the representation (3.53) of $D^{2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$, we get an expression of the form (3.69) consisting of many different terms, such that $d_L = d_L(y-x)$, $d_\beta = d_\beta(y_0-x_0)$, $n_1(\alpha)+n_2(\alpha) \le 2$, $q_\alpha(f_1) = 2$, $q_\alpha(f_2) = 0$, $\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f_2) = \mathbf{x}(f_2)$. The values of $\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f_1)$ and $[\hat\partial^2_{j_\alpha(f_1)}\psi]^{(\le h)\sigma(f_1)}_{\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f_1),\omega(f_1)}$, together with the functions h_α, can be deduced from (3.53).

3) If $P_{v_0} = (f_1, f_2)$ and $\omega(f_1) = -\omega(f_2)$, the action of $\mathcal{R}$ consists in replacing one of the external fields, of label, let us say, f_1, with a $D^{1,2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$ field, where $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}(f_1)$ and $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(f_2)$, if f_2 is the second field label. By using the analogous of the representation (3.47) for $D^{1,2(\le h)\sigma}_{\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x},\omega}$, we get an expression of the form (3.69) consisting of four different terms, such that $n_1(\alpha)+n_2(\alpha) = 1$, $q_\alpha(f_1) = 1$, $q_\alpha(f_2) = 0$, $\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f_2) = \mathbf{x}(f_2)$.

Let us now consider the action of $\mathcal{L}$ on $V^{(h)}(\tau, \sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)})$. We get an expansion similar to that based on (3.68), that we can write, by using (2.79), (3.65) and translation invariance, in the form

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}V^{(h)}(\tau,\sqrt{Z_h}\psi^{(\le h)}) = \gamma^h n_h(\tau) Z_h F_\nu^{(\le h)} + s_h(\tau) Z_h F_\sigma^{(\le h)} + z_h(\tau) Z_h F_\zeta^{(\le h)} + \\ + a_h(\tau) Z_h F_\alpha^{(\le h)} + l_h(\tau) Z_h^2 F_\lambda^{(\le h)} \ ,\end{aligned} \tag{3.70}$$

where

$$n_h(\tau) = \frac{\gamma^{-h}}{L\beta} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P}\in\mathcal{P}_\tau,\mathbf{r} \\ P_{v_0}=(f_1,f_2),\omega(f_1)=\omega(f_2)=+1}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} h_1(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) K^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ ,$$

$$s_h(\tau) = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P}\in\mathcal{P}_\tau,\mathbf{r} \\ P_{v_0}=(f_1,f_2),\omega(f_1)=-\omega(f_2)=+1}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} h_2(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) K^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ ,$$

$$z_h(\tau) = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P}\in\mathcal{P}_\tau,\mathbf{r} \\ P_{v_0}=(f_1,f_2),\omega(f_1)=\omega(f_2)=+1}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} h_3(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) d_\beta(x(f_2)-x(f_1)) K^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ , \quad (3.71)$$

$$a_h(\tau) = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P}\in\mathcal{P}_\tau,\mathbf{r} \\ P_{v_0}=(f_1,f_2),\omega(f_1)=\omega(f_2)=+1}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} h_4(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) d_L(x(f_2)-x(f_1)) K^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ ,$$

$$l_h(\tau) = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P}\in\mathcal{P}_\tau,\mathbf{r} \\ |P_{v_0}|=4,\underline{\sigma}=(+,-,+,-),\underline{\omega}=(+1,-1,-1,+1)}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} h_5(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) K^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ ,$$

$h_i(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}})$, $i = 1,\dots,5$, being bounded functions, whose expressions can be deduced from (3.8), (3.16) and (3.22), also taking into account the permutations needed to order the field variables as in the r.h.s. of (3.70).

The constants n_h, s_h, z_h, a_h and l_h, which characterize the local part of the effective potential, can be obtained from (3.71) by summing over $n \geq 1$ and $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}$. Finally, the constant $\tilde{E}_{h+1}$ appearing in the l.h.s. of (3.27) can be written in the form

$$\tilde{E}_{h+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\tau\in\mathcal{T}_{h,n}} \tilde{E}_{h+1}(\tau) \ , \quad (3.72)$$

where

$$\tilde{E}_{h+1}(\tau) = \frac{1}{L\beta} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P}\in\mathcal{P}_\tau,\mathbf{r} \\ P_{v_0}=\emptyset}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} K^{(h)}_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \ . \quad (3.73)$$

3.8 We want now to iterate the previous procedure, by using equation (3.38), in order to suitably take into account the non trivial $\mathcal{R}$ operations in the vertices $v \neq v_0$. We shall focus our discussion on $\mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r})$, but the following analysis applies also to $\mathcal{L}V^{(h)}(\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r})$ and $\tilde{E}_{h+1}(\tau)$.

Let us consider the truncated expectation in the r.h.s. of (3.38) and let us put $s = s_v$, $P_i \equiv P_{v_i}\backslash Q_{v_i}$. Moreover we order in an arbitrary way the sets $P_i^{\pm} \equiv \{f \in P_i, \sigma(f) = \pm\}$, we call $f_{ij}^{\pm}$ their elements and we define $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \cup_{f\in P_i^-} \mathbf{x}(f)$, $\mathbf{y}^{(i)} = \cup_{f\in P_i^+} \mathbf{x}(f)$, $\mathbf{x}_{ij} = \mathbf{x}(f_{i,j}^-)$, $\mathbf{y}_{ij} = \mathbf{x}(f_{i,j}^+)$. Note that $\sum_{i=1}^s |P_i^-| = \sum_{i=1}^s |P_i^+| \equiv n$, otherwise the truncated expectation vanishes. A couple $l \equiv (f_{ij}^-, f_{i'j'}^+) \equiv (f_l^-, f_l^+)$ will be called a line joining the fields with labels $f_{ij}^-, f_{i'j'}^+$ and ω indices ω_l^-, ω_l^+ and connecting the points $\mathbf{x}_l \equiv \mathbf{x}_{i,j}$ and $\mathbf{y}_l \equiv \mathbf{y}_{i'j'}$, the *endpoints* of l; moreover we shall put $m_l \equiv m(f_l^-) + m(f_l^+)$. Then, it is well known (see [Le], [BGPS], for example) that, up to a sign, if $s > 1$,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_h^T(\tilde{\psi}^{(h)}(P_1),...,\tilde{\psi}^{(h)}(P_s)) = \sum_T \prod_{l\in T} \bar{\partial}_1^{m_l} g^{(h)}_{\omega_l^-,\omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_l - \mathbf{y}_l) \int dP_T(\mathbf{t}) \det G^{h,T}(\mathbf{t}) \ , \quad (3.74)$$

where T is a set of lines forming an *anchored tree graph* between the clusters of points $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \cup \mathbf{y}^{(i)}$, that is T is a set of lines, which becomes a tree graph if one identifies all the points in the same cluster. Moreover $\mathbf{t} = \{t_{i,i'} \in [0,1], 1 \le i, i' \le s\}$, $dP_T(\mathbf{t})$ is a probability measure with support on a set of $\mathbf{t}$ such that $t_{i,i'} = \mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_{i'}$ for some family of vectors $\mathbf{u}_i \in \mathbb{R}^s$ of unit norm. Finally $G^{h,T}(\mathbf{t})$ is a $(n-s+1) \times (n-s+1)$ matrix, whose elements are given by $G^{h,T}_{ij,i'j'} = t_{i,i'} \bar\partial_1^{m(f^-_{ij})+m(f^+_{i'j'})} g^{(h)}_{\omega^-_l,\omega^+_l}(\mathbf{x}_{ij} - \mathbf{y}_{i'j'})$ with $(f^-_{ij}, f^+_{i'j'})$ not belonging to T.

If $s = 1$, the sum over T is empty, but we shall still use equation (3.74), by interpreting the r.h.s. as 1, if P_1 is empty (which is possible, for $s = 1$), and as $\det G^h(\mathbf{1})$ otherwise.

Inserting (3.74) in the r.h.s. of (3.38) (with $v = v_0$) we obtain, up to a sign,

$$\mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{s_{v_0}!} \sqrt{Z_h}^{|P_{v_0}|} \sum_{T_{v_0}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \int dP_{T_{v_0}}(\mathbf{t}) [\mathcal{R}\tilde\psi^{(\le h)}(P_{v_0})] \cdot$$
$$\cdot \Big[\prod_{l \in T_{v_0}} \bar\partial_1^{m_l} g^{(h+1)}_{\omega^-_l,\omega^+_l}(\mathbf{x}_l - \mathbf{y}_l) \Big] \det G^{h+1,T_{v_0}}(\mathbf{t}) \sqrt{\frac{Z_{h+1}}{Z_h}}^{|P_{v_0}|\, s_{v_0}} \prod_{i=1}^{} [K^{(h+2)}_{v_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i})] \tag{3.75}$$

Let us now consider the contribution to the r.h.s. of (3.75) of one of the terms in the representation (3.69) of $\mathcal{R}\tilde\psi^{(\le h)}(P_{v_0})$ with $n_1(\alpha) + n_2(\alpha) > 0$. For each choice of T_{v_0}, we decompose the factors $d_L^{n_1(\alpha)}(y - x)$ and $d_\beta^{n_2(\alpha)}(y_0 - x_0)$, by using equation (3.55) and the analogous equation for $d_\beta(y_0 - x_0)$, with $\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{x}$, $\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{y}$ and the other points $\mathbf{x}_r$, $r = 1, \dots, n-1$, chosen in the following way.

Let us consider the unique subset $(l_1, \dots, l_m)$ of T_{v_0}, which selects a path joining the cluster containing $\mathbf{x}_0$ with the cluster containing $\mathbf{x}_n$, if one identifies all the points in the same cluster. Let $(\bar v_{i-1}, \bar v_i)$, $i = 1, m$, the couple of vertices whose clusters of points are joined by l_i. We shall put $\mathbf{x}_{2i-1}$, $i = 1, m$, equal to the endpoint of l_i belonging to $\mathbf{x}_{\bar v_{i-1}}$ and $\mathbf{x}_{2i}$ equal to the endpoint of l_i belonging to $\mathbf{x}_{\bar v_i}$. This definition implies that there are two points of the sequence $\mathbf{x}_r$, $r = 0, \dots, n = 2m+1$, possibly coinciding, in any set $\mathbf{x}_{\bar v_i}$, $i = 0, \dots, m$; these two points are the space-time points of two different fields belonging to $P_{\bar v_i}$. Since $n \le 2s_{v_0} - 1$, this decomposition will produce a finite number of different terms ($\le (2s_{v_0} - 1)^2$, since $n_1(\alpha) + n_2(\alpha) \le 2$), that we shall distinguish with a label α' belonging to a set B_{v_0}, depending on $\alpha \in A_{v_0}$ and T_{v_0}. These terms can be described in the following way.

Each term is obtained from the one chosen in the r.h.s. of (3.75) by adding a factor $\exp\{i\pi L^{-1} n_1(\alpha)(x+y) + i\pi\beta^{-1} n_2(\alpha)(x_0 + y_0)\}$. Moreover each propagator $g^{(h+1)}_{\omega^-_l,\omega^+_l}(\mathbf{x}_l - \mathbf{y}_l)$ is multiplied by a factor $d^{b_{\alpha'}(l)}_{j_{\alpha'}(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{y}_l)$, where d^b_j, $d = 0, 1, 2$, $j = 1, \dots, m_b$ is a family of functions so defined. If $b = 0$, $m_0 = 1$ and $d^0_1 = 1$. If $b = 1$, $m_b = 2$ and j distinguishes, up to the sign, the two functions

$$e^{-i\frac{\pi}{L}(x_l + y_l)} d_L(x_l - y_l) \ , \quad e^{-i\frac{\pi}{\beta}(x_{0,l} + y_{0,l})} d_\beta(x_{l0} - y_{l0}) \ . \tag{3.76}$$

If $b = 2$, j distinguishes the three possibilities, obtained by taking the product of two factors

equal to one of the terms in (3.76). Finally each one of the vertices $v_1, \dots, v_{s_{v_0}}$ is multiplied by a similar factor $d^{b_{\alpha'}(v_i)}_{j_{\alpha'}(v_i)}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$.

Note that the definitions were chosen so that $|d^b_j(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| \le |\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})|^b$. Moreover there is the constraint that

$$\sum_{l \in T_{v_0}} b_{\alpha'}(l) + \sum_{i=1}^{s_{v_0}} b_{\alpha'}(v_i) = n_1(\alpha) + n_2(\alpha) \, . \tag{3.77}$$

The previous discussion implies that (3.75) can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{s_{v_0}!} \sqrt{Z_h}^{|P_{v_0}|} \sum_{\alpha \in A_{v_0}} \sum_{T_{v_0}} \sum_{\alpha' \in B_{v_0}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \int dP_{T_{v_0}}(\mathbf{t}) \cdot \\ \cdot \; h_\alpha(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}}) \Big[\prod_{f \in P_{v_0}} (\hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f)}_{j_\alpha(f)} \psi)^{(\le h)\sigma(f)}_{\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f), \omega(f)} \Big] \Big[\prod_{l \in T_{v_0}} d^{b_{\alpha'}(l)}_{j_{\alpha'}(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{y}_l) \bar\partial_1^{m_l} g^{(h+1)}_{\omega_l^-, \omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_l - \mathbf{y}_l) \Big] \cdot \\ \cdot \; \det G^{h+1, T_{v_0}}(\mathbf{t}) \sqrt{\frac{Z_{h+1}}{Z_h}}^{|P_{v_0}|} \Big[\prod_{i=1}^{s_{v_0}} d^{b_{\alpha'}(v_i)}_{j_{\alpha'}(v_i)}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i) K^{(h+2)}_{v_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i}) \Big] \, , \end{aligned} \tag{3.78}$$

where the function $h_\alpha(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{P_{v_0}})$ has be redefined in order to absorb the factor $\exp\{i\pi L^{-1} n_1(\alpha)(x + y) + i\pi\beta^{-1} n_2(\alpha)(x_0 + y_0)\}$.

3.9 We are now ready to begin the iteration of the previous procedure, by considering those among the vertices $v_1, \dots, v_{s_{v_0}}$, where the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial. It turns out that we can not simply repeat the arguments used for v_0, but we have to consider some new situations and introduce some new prescriptions, which will be however sufficient to complete the iteration up to the endpoints, without any new problem.

Let us select a term in the r.h.s. of (3.78) and one of the vertices immediately following v_0, let us say $\bar v$, where the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non trivial. We have to consider a few different cases.

A) Suppose that $b(\bar v) = 0$ (we shall omit the dependence on α and α'). In this case the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is exploited following essentially the same procedure as for v_0. If $\mathcal{R}$ is different from the identity, we move its action on the external fields of $\bar v$, by using the analogous of (3.69), by taking into account that some of the external fields of $\bar v$ are internal fields of v_0, hence they are involved in the calculation of the truncated expectation (3.74). This means that, if f is the label of an internal field with $q(f) > 0$, the corresponding (non trivial) $\hat\partial^{q(f)}_{j(f)}$ operator acts on the quantities in the r.h.s. of (3.78), which depend on f, that is $d^{b(l)}_{j(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{y}_l) g^{(h+1)}_{\omega_l^-, \omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_l - \mathbf{y}_l)$ or the matrix elements of $\det G^{h+1, T_{v_0}}$, which are obtained by contracting the field with label f with another internal field. For example, if $\mathbf{x}(f) = \mathbf{x}_l$ and $\hat\partial^{q(f)}_{j(f)}$ is the operator associated with the third term in the r.h.s. of (3.47), we must substitute $d^{b(l)}_{j(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{y}_l) \bar\partial_1^{m_l} g^{(h+1)}_{\omega_l^-, \omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_l - \mathbf{y}_l)$ with

$$\int_0^1 dt \partial_1 [d^{b(l)}_{j(l)}(\boldsymbol{\xi}(t) - \mathbf{y}_l) \bar\partial_1^{m_l} g^{(h+1)}_{\omega_l^-, \omega_l^+}(\boldsymbol{\xi}(t) - \mathbf{y}_l)] \, , \tag{3.79}$$

with $\boldsymbol{\xi}(t) = \mathbf{x}' + t(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_l - \mathbf{x}')$, for some $\mathbf{x}' \in \mathbf{x}_{\bar{v}}$, $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_l$ being defined in terms of $\mathbf{x}_l$ as $\bar{y}$ is defined in terms of y in §3.5 (that is $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_l$ and $\mathbf{x}_l$ are equivalent representation of the same point on the space-time torus).

There is apparently another problem, related to the possibilities that the operators $\hat{\partial}^{q(f)}_{j(f)}$ related with the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on $\bar{v}$ do not commute with the functions h_α and the field variables introduced by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on v_0. However, the discussion in §3.4 implies that this can not happen, because of our prescription for the choice of the localization points. This argument is of general validity, hence we will not consider anymore this problem in the following.

B) If $b(\bar{v}) > 0$, we shall proceed in a different way, in order to avoid growing powers of the factors d_L and d_β, which should produce at the end bad combinatorial factors in the bounds. We need to distinguish four different cases.

B1) If $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 4$, we do not use the decomposition (3.47) for the field changed by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ in a $D^{1,1}$ field, but we simply write it as the sum of the two terms in the r.h.s. of (3.12) (in some cases the second term does not really contributes, because the argument of the factor $d^{b(\bar{v})}_{j(\bar{v})}$ is the same as the argument of the delta function in the representation (3.14) of the $\mathcal{R}$ action, but this is not true in general). We still get a representation of the form (3.69) for $[\mathcal{R}\tilde{\psi}^{(\leq h)}(P_{\bar{v}})]$, but with the property that $q(f) = 0$ for any $\alpha \in A_{\bar{v}}$ and any $f \in P_{\bar{v}}$. This procedure works, because we do not need to exploit the regularization property of $\mathcal{R}$ in this case, as the following analysis will make clear.

B2) If $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 2$, and the ω-labels of the external fields are different, the action of $\mathcal{R}$, after the insertion of the zero, is indeed trivial, as explained in §3.6, see (3.57). Hence we do not make any change in the external fields.

B3) If $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 2$, the ω-labels of the external fields are equal and $b(\bar{v}) = 2$, the presence of the factor $d^{b(\bar{v})}_{j(\bar{v})}$ does not allow to use for the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on the external fields the representation (3.69), because that factor depends on the space-time labels of the external fields. However, we can use the representation following from the equations (3.62),(3.63),(3.64), by considering the different terms in the r.h.s. as different contributions (in any case no cancellations among such terms are possible).

Note that this representation has the same properties of the representation (3.69) and can be written exactly in the same form, by suitable defining the various quantities. In particular, it is still true that $n_1(\alpha) + n_2(\alpha) \leq 2$.

Of course, we have to take also into account that some of the external fields of $\bar{v}$ are internal fields of v_0, but this can be done exactly as in item A).

B4) Finally, if $|P_{\bar{v}}| = 2$, the ω-labels of the external fields are equal and $b_{\bar{v}} = 1$, we use for the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on the external fields the representation following from the equations (3.58) and (3.59), after writing for the fields $D^{1,3}$ and $D^{1,4}$ the analogous of the decomposition

(3.47).

The above procedure can be iterated, by decomposing the factors $d^{b(v)}_{j(v)}$ coming from the previous steps of the iteration along the spanning tree associated with the clusters L_v, up to the endpoints. The final result can be described in the following way.

Let us call a *zero* each factor equal to one of the two terms in (3.76). Each zero produced by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on the vertex v is distributed along a tree graph S_v on the set x_v, obtained by putting together an anchored tree graph $T_{\bar v}$ for each non trivial vertex $\bar v \geq v$ and adding a line for the couple of space-time points belonging to the set $\mathbf{x}_{\bar v}$ for each (not local) endpoint $\bar v \geq v$ with $h_{\bar v} = 2$ of type λ or u. At the end we have many terms, which are characterized, for what concerns the zeros, by a tree graph T on the set x_{v_0} and not more than two zeros on each line $l \in T$; the very important fact that there are at most two zeros on each line follows from the considerations in item B) of §3.9.

3.10 The final result can be written in the following way:

$$\mathcal{R}V^{(h)}(\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{Z_h}^{|P_{v_0}|} \sum_{T\in\mathbf{T}} \sum_{\alpha\in A_T} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0}\, W_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) \cdot \cdot \Big\{ \prod_{f\in P_{v_0}} [\hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f)}_{j_\alpha(f)}\psi]^{(\le h)\sigma(f)}_{\mathbf{x}_\alpha(f),\omega(f)} \Big\} , \tag{3.80}$$

where

$$W_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}) = h_\alpha(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{v_0}) \Big[\prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \Big(Z_{h_v}/Z_{h_v-1} \Big)^{|P_v|/2} \Big] \cdot \cdot \Big[\prod_{i=1}^{n} d^{b_\alpha(v^*_i)}_{j_\alpha(v^*_i)}(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{y}_i) K^{h_i}_{v^*_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v^*_i}) \Big] \Big\{ \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \frac{1}{s_v!} \int dP_{T_v}(\mathbf{t}_v) \cdot \cdot \det G^{h_v,T_v}_\alpha(\mathbf{t}_v) \Big[\prod_{l\in T_v} \hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f^-_l)}_{j_\alpha(f^-_l)} \hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f^+_l)}_{j_\alpha(f^+_l)} [d^{b_\alpha(l)}_{j_\alpha(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l,\mathbf{y}_l) \bar\partial_1^{m_l} g^{(h_v)}_{\omega^-_l,\omega^+_l}(\mathbf{x}_l-\mathbf{y}_l)] \Big] \Big\} , \tag{3.81}$$

$\mathbf{T}$ is the set of the tree graphs on $\mathbf{x}_{v_0}$, obtained by putting together an anchored tree graph T_v for each non trivial vertex v and adding a line (which will be by definition the only element of T_v) for the couple of space-time points belonging to the set $\mathbf{x}_v$ for each (not local) endpoint v with $h_v = 2$ of type λ or u; A_T is a set of indices which allows to distinguish the different terms produced by the non trivial $\mathcal{R}$ operations and the iterative decomposition of the zeros; $v^*_1,\dots,v^*_n$ are the endpoints of τ, f^-_l and f^+_l are the labels of the two fields forming the line l, "e.p." is an abbreviation of "endpoint". Moreover $G^{h_v,T_v}_\alpha(\mathbf{t}_v)$ is obtained from the matrix $G^{h_v,T_v}(\mathbf{t}_v)$, associated with the vertex v and T_v, see (3.74), by substituting $G^{h_v,T_v}_{ij,i'j'} = t_{v,i,i'} \bar\partial_1^{m(f^-_{ij})+m(f^+_{i'j'})} g^{(h_v)}_{\omega^-_l,\omega^+_l}(\mathbf{x}_{ij}-\mathbf{y}_{i'j'})$ with

$$G^{h_v,T_v}_{\alpha,ij,i'j'} = t_{v,i,i'} \hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f^-_{ij})}_{j_\alpha(f^-_{ij})} \hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f^+_{ij})}_{j_\alpha(f^+_{ij})} \bar\partial_1^{m(f^-_{ij})+m(f^+_{i'j'})} g^{(h_v)}_{\omega^-_l,\omega^+_l}(\mathbf{x}_{ij}-\mathbf{y}_{i'j'}) . \tag{3.82}$$

Finally, $\hat\partial^q_j$, $q = 0,1,2,3$, $j = 1,\dots,m_q$, is a family of operators, implicitly defined in the previous sections, which are dimensionally equivalent to derivatives of order q; for each $\alpha \in A_T$, there is an operator $\hat\partial^{q_\alpha(f)}_{j_\alpha(f)}$ associated with each $f \in I_{v_0}$.

It would be very difficult to give a precise description of the various contributions to the sum over A_T, but fortunately we only need to know some very general properties, which easily follows from the discussion in the previous sections.

1) There is a constant C such that, $\forall T \in \mathbf{T}_\tau$, $|A_T| \leq C^n$ and, $\forall \alpha \in A_T$, $|h_a(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{v_0})| \leq C^n$.
2) For any $\alpha \in A_T$, the following inequality is satisfied

$$\Big[\prod_{f \in I_{v_0}} \gamma^{h_\alpha(f) q_\alpha(f)} \Big] \Big[\prod_{l \in T} \gamma^{-h_\alpha(l) b_\alpha(l)} \Big] \leq \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \gamma^{-z(P_v)} , \tag{3.83}$$

where $h_\alpha(f) = h_{v_0} - 1$ if $f \in P_{v_0}$, otherwise it is the scale of the vertex where the field with label f is contracted; $h_\alpha(l) = h_v$, if $l \in T_v$ and

$$z(P_v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |P_v| = 4, \\ 1 & \text{if } |P_v| = 2 \text{ and } \sum_{f \in P_v} \omega(f) \neq 0 , \\ 2 & \text{if } |P_v| = 2 \text{ and } \sum_{f \in P_v} \omega(f) = 0 , \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{3.84}$$

3.11 In order to prove (3.83), let us suppose first that there is no vertex with two external fields and equal ω indices; hence $q_\alpha(f) \leq 1$, $\forall f \in I_{v_0}$, and $b_\alpha(l) \leq 1$, $\forall l \in T$. Let us choose $f \in I_{v_0}$, such that $q_\alpha(f) = 1$; by analyzing the procedure described in §3.8 and §3.9, one can easily see that there are three vertices $v' < v \leq \bar{v}$ and a line $l \in T_{\bar{v}}$, such that

(i) the field with label f is affected by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on the vertex v;
(ii) $h_{v'} = h_\alpha(f)$ and $b_\alpha(l) = 1$;
(iii) if $v \leq \tilde{v} < \bar{v}$ and $\tilde{l} \in T_{\bar{v}}$, then $b_\alpha(\tilde{l}) = 0$;
(iv) if $v' < \tilde{v} \leq \bar{v}$ and $f \neq \tilde{f} \in P_{\bar{v}}$, then $q_\alpha(\tilde{f}) = 0$.

(ii) follows from the definition of $h_\alpha(f)$ and from the remark that the zero produced by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ on v is moved by the process of distribution of the zeros along T in some vertex $\bar{v} \geq v$. The property (iii) characterizes $\bar{v}$; in fact the procedure described in item B1) and B2) of §3.9 guarantees that no zero can be produced by the action of $\mathcal{R}$ in the vertices between v and $\bar{v}$, if the zero in $\bar{v}$ "originated" from the regularization in v. (iv) follows from the previous remark and from the fact that the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is trivial in all the vertices between v' and v, see §3.3.

The previous considerations imply that we can associate each factor $\gamma^{h_\alpha(f)}$ in the l.h.s. of (3.83) with a factor $\gamma^{-b_\alpha(l)}$, by forming disjoint pairs; with each pair we can associate two vertices v' and $\bar{v}$ and the path on τ containing all the vertices $v' < \tilde{v} \leq \bar{v}$. Since each vertex with four external fields or two external fields and different ω indices certainly belongs to one of these paths, the inequality (3.83) then follows from the trivial identity

$$\gamma^{-(b_\alpha(l) - h_\alpha(f))} = \gamma^{-(h_{\bar{v}} - h_{v'})} = \prod_{v' < \tilde{v} \leq \bar{v}} \gamma^{-1} . \tag{3.85}$$

In order to complete the proof, we have now to consider also the possibility that there is some vertex with two external fields and equal ω indices, where the action of $\mathcal{R}$ is non

trivial. This means that there is some $f \in I_{v_0}$, such that $q_\alpha(f) = 2$ or even (see B4) in §3.9) $q_\alpha(f) = 1$, if there is a zero associated with a line of the spanning tree related with the vertex where f is affected by the regularization. One can proceed essentially in the same way, but has to consider a few different situations, since the value of $q_\alpha(f)$ is not fixed and, if $q_\alpha(f) = 2$, there are two zeros to associate with a single factor $\gamma^{2h_\alpha(f)}$ in the l.h.s. of (3.83). We shall not give the details, which have essentially to formalize the claim that each order one derivative couples with a order one zero, so that the corresponding factors in the l.h.s. of (3.83) contribute a factor γ^{-1} to all vertices between the vertex where the derivative takes its action and the vertex where the zero is "sitting".

Let us now introduce, given any set $P \subset I_{v_0}$, the notation

$$q_\alpha(P) = \sum_{f \in P} q_\alpha(f) \ , \quad m(P) = \sum_{f \in P} m(f) \ . \tag{3.86}$$

Note that, by the remark at the end of §3.2, $m(P_v) = 0$ for any $v \neq v_0$ which is not an endpoint of type δ_1 or δ_2 and that also $m(P_{v_0}) = 0$ for all the terms in the r.h.s. of (3.80).

We also define

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{v}_h| &= \begin{cases} \sup\{|\lambda|, |\nu|\}, & \text{if } h = +1, \\ \sup\{|\lambda_h|, |\delta_h|, |\nu_h|\}, & \text{if } h =\leq 0. \end{cases} \\ \varepsilon_h &= \sup_{h' > h} |\vec{v}_{h'}| \ . \end{aligned} \tag{3.87}$$

Moreover, we suppose that the condition (2.117) is satisfied, so that $h^* \geq 0$. We shall prove the following theorem.

3.12 THEOREM. *Let $h > h^* \geq 0$, with h^* defined by (2.116). If the bounds (2.98) are satisfied and, for some constants c_1,*

$$\sup_{h' > h} \left| \frac{Z_{h'}}{Z_{h'-1}} \right| \leq e^{c_1 \varepsilon_h^2}, \quad \sup_{h' > h} \left| \frac{\sigma_{h'}}{\sigma_{h'-1}} \right| \leq e^{c_1 \varepsilon_h}, \tag{3.88}$$

there exists a constant $\bar{\varepsilon}$ (depending on c_1) such that, if $\varepsilon_h \leq \bar{\varepsilon}$, then, for a suitable constant c_0, independent of c_1, as well as of u, L and β,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P} \\ |P_{v_0}| = 2m}} \sum_{\mathbf{r}} \sum_{T \in \mathbf{T}} \sum_{\substack{\alpha \in A_T \\ q_\alpha(P_{v_0}) = k}} \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} |W_{\tau, \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{r}, T, \alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})| \leq \\ &\qquad \leq L\beta \gamma^{-hD_k(P_{v_0})} (c_0 \varepsilon_h)^n \ , \end{aligned} \tag{3.89}$$

where

$$D_k(P_{v_0}) = -2 + m + k \ . \tag{3.90}$$

Moreover

$$\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}} [|n_h(\tau)| + |z_h(\tau)| + |a_h(\tau)| + |l_h(\tau)|] \leq (c_0 \varepsilon_h)^n \ , \tag{3.91}$$

$$\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h,n}} |s_h(\tau)| \leq |\sigma_h| (c_0 \varepsilon_h)^n \ , \tag{3.92}$$

$$\sum_{\tau\in\mathcal{T}_{h,n}} |\tilde{E}_{h+1}(\tau)| \le \gamma^{2h}(c_0\varepsilon_h)^n \ . \tag{3.93}$$

3.13 An important role in the proof of Theorem 3.12 plays the estimation of $\det G^{h_v,T_v}_\alpha(\mathbf{t}_v)$, that we shall now discuss, by referring to §3.8 and §3.10 for the notation. From now on C will denote a generic constant independent of u, L and β.

Given a vertex v which is not an endpoint and an anchored tree graph T_v (empty, if v is trivial), we consider the set of internal fields which do not belong to the any line of T_v and the corresponding sets $\tilde{P}^{\sigma,\omega}$ of field labels with $\sigma(f)=\sigma$ and $\omega(f)=\omega$. The sets $\cup_\omega\tilde{P}^{-,\omega}$ and $\cup_\omega\tilde{P}^{+,\omega}$ label the rows and the columns, respectively, of the matrix $G^{h_v,T_v}_\alpha(\mathbf{t}_v)$, hence they contain the same number of elements; however, $|\tilde{P}^{-,\omega}|$ can be different from $|\tilde{P}^{+,\omega}|$, if $h\le 0$. We introduce an integer $\rho(T_v)$, that we put equal to 1, if $|\tilde{P}^{-,\omega}|\neq|\tilde{P}^{+,\omega}|$, equal to 0 otherwise. We want to prove that

$$\begin{aligned}|\det G^{h_v,T_v}_\alpha(\mathbf{t}_v)| &\le \left(\frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}}\right)^{\rho(T_v)} C^{\sum_{i=1}^{s_v}|P_{v_i}|-|P_v|-2(s_v-1)} \cdot \\ &\cdot\ \gamma^{\frac{h_v}{2}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{s_v}|P_{v_i}|-|P_v|-2(s_v-1)\right)}\gamma^{h_v\sum_{i=1}^{s_v}\left[q_\alpha(P_{v_i}\setminus Q_{v_i})+m(P_{v_i}\setminus Q_{v_i})\right]} \cdot \\ &\cdot\ \gamma^{-h_v\sum_{l\in T_v}\left[q_\alpha(f_l^+)+q_\alpha(f_l^-)+m(f_l^+)+m(f_l^-)\right]} \ .\end{aligned} \tag{3.94}$$

In order to prove this inequality, we shall suppose, for simplicity, that all the operators $\hat{\partial}^{q(f)}_{j(f)}$ and $\hat{\partial}^{m(f)}_1$ acting on the fields with field label $f\in\cup_{\sigma,\omega}\tilde{P}^{\sigma,\omega}$ are equal to the identity. It is very easy to modify the following argument, in order to prove that each operator $\hat{\partial}^{q(f)}_{j(f)}$ or $\hat{\partial}^{m(f)}_1$ gives a contribution to the bound proportional to $\gamma^{h_v q(f)}$ or $\gamma^{h_v m(f)}$, so proving (3.94) in the general case.

The proof is based on the well known *Gram-Hadamard inequality*, stating that, if M is a square matrix with elements M_{ij} of the form $M_{ij}=<A_i,B_j>$, where A_i, B_j are vectors in a Hilbert space with scalar product $<\cdot,\cdot>$, then

$$|\det M| \le \prod_i ||A_i||\cdot||B_i|| \ . \tag{3.95}$$

where $||\cdot||$ is the norm induced by the scalar product.

Let $\mathcal{H}=\mathbb{R}^s\otimes\mathcal{H}_0$, where $\mathcal{H}_0$ is the Hilbert space of complex four dimensional vectors $F(\mathbf{k}')=(F_1(\mathbf{k}'),\dots,F_4(\mathbf{k}'))$, $F_i(\mathbf{k}')$ being a function on the set $\mathcal{D}'_{L,\beta}$, with scalar product

$$<F,G>=\sum_{i=1}^4\frac{1}{\beta L}\sum_{\mathbf{k}'}F_i^*(\mathbf{k}')G_i(\mathbf{k}') \ . \tag{3.96}$$

If $h_v\le 0$, it is easy to verify that

$$G^{h_v,T_v}_{ij,i'j'}=t_{i,i'}g^{(h_v)}_{\omega_l^-,\omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_{ij}-\mathbf{y}_{i'j'})=<\mathbf{u}_i\otimes A^{(h_v)}_{\mathbf{x}(f^-_{ij}),\omega(f^-_{ij})},\mathbf{u}_{i'}\otimes B^{(h_v)}_{\mathbf{x}(f^+_{i'j'}),\omega(f^+_{i'j'})}> \ , \tag{3.97}$$

where $\mathbf{u}_i\in\mathbb{R}^s$, $i=1,\dots,s$, are the vectors such that $t_{i,i'}=\mathbf{u}_i\cdot\mathbf{u}_{i'}$, and

$$\begin{aligned}A^{(h)}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}(\mathbf{k}') &= e^{i\mathbf{k}'\mathbf{x}}\frac{\sqrt{\tilde{f}_h(\mathbf{k}')}}{\sqrt{-A_h(\mathbf{k}')}}\cdot\begin{cases}(-ik_0+E(k'),0,-i\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}'),0), & \text{if } \omega=+1,\\ (0,i\sigma_{h-1}(\mathbf{k}'),0,\sigma_{h-1}), & \text{if } \omega=-1,\end{cases}\\ B^{(h)}_{\mathbf{x},\omega} &= e^{i\mathbf{k}'\mathbf{y}}\frac{\sqrt{\tilde{f}_h(\mathbf{k}')}}{\sqrt{-A_h(\mathbf{k}')}}\cdot\begin{cases}(1,1,0,0), & \text{if } \omega=+1,\\ (0,0,1,(ik_0-E(k'))/\sigma_{h-1}), & \text{if } \omega=-1.\end{cases}\end{aligned} \tag{3.98}$$

Let us now define $n_+ = |\tilde{P}^{-,+}|$, $m_+ = |\tilde{P}^{+,+}|$, $m = |\tilde{P}^{-,+}| + |\tilde{P}^{-,-}| = |\tilde{P}^{+,+}| + |\tilde{P}^{+,-}|$; by using (3.95) and (3.98), it is easy to see, by proceeding as in §2.7, that, if the conditions (2.98) hold,

$$|\det G^{h_v,T_v}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{t}_v)| \le C^m \gamma^{h_v n_+} |\sigma_{h_v}|^{m-n_+} \left(\frac{\gamma^{h_v}}{|\sigma_{h_v}|}\right)^{m-m_+} = C^m \gamma^{h_v m} \left(\frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}}\right)^{m_+-n_+} . \quad (3.99)$$

Since $2m = \sum_{i=1}^{s_v} |P_{v_i}| - |P_v| - 2(s_v-1)$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{s_v} q_\alpha(P_{v_i}/Q_{v_i}) - \sum_{l\in T_v}[q_\alpha(f_l^+)+q_\alpha(f_l^-)] = 0$, we get the inequality (3.94), if $m_+ \ge n_+$, by using (2.116). The case $m_+ < n_+$ can be treated in a similar way, by exchanging the definitions of $A^{(h)}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}(\mathbf{k}')$ and $B^{(h)}_{\mathbf{x},\omega}(\mathbf{k}')$.

3.14 Proof of Theorem 3.12.

By using (3.81) and (3.94) we get

$$\begin{aligned}\int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} |W_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})| \le C^n J_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha} \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \Big\{ \Big(Z_{h_v}/Z_{h_v-1}\Big)^{|P_v|/2} \cdot \\ \cdot C^{\sum_{i=1}^{s_v} |P_{v_i}| - |P_v| - 2(s_v-1)} \left(\frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}}\right)^{\rho(T_v)} \gamma^{\frac{h_v}{2}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{s_v} |P_{v_i}| - |P_v| - 2(s_v-1)\right)} \cdot \\ \cdot \gamma^{h_v \sum_{i=1}^{s_v} \left[q_\alpha(P_{v_i}\setminus Q_{v_i}) + m(P_{v_i}\setminus Q_{v_i})\right]} \gamma^{-h_v \sum_{l\in T_v} \left[q_\alpha(f_l^+)+q_\alpha(f_l^-)+m(f_l^+)+m(f_l^-)\right]} \Big\},\end{aligned} \quad (3.100)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}J_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha} = \int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} \Big| \Big[\prod_{i=1}^{n} d^{b_\alpha(v_i^*)}_{j_\alpha(v_i^*)}(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{y}_i) K^{h_i}_{v_i^*}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i^*}) \Big] \cdot \\ \cdot \Big\{ \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \frac{1}{s_v!} \Big[\prod_{l\in T_v} \hat{\partial}^{q_\alpha(f_l^-)}_{j_\alpha(f_l^-)} \hat{\partial}^{q_\alpha(f_l^+)}_{j_\alpha(f_l^+)} [d^{b_\alpha(l)}_{j_\alpha(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l,\mathbf{y}_l) \hat{\partial}_1^{m_l} g^{(h_v)}_{\omega_l^-,\omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_l-\mathbf{y}_l)] \Big] \Big\} \Big| .\end{aligned} \quad (3.101)$$

In §3.15 we will prove that

$$\begin{aligned}J_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha} \le C^n L \beta(\varepsilon_h)^n \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \Big[\frac{1}{s_v!} C^{2(s_v-1)} \gamma^{h_v n_\nu(v)} \Big(\prod_{l\in \bar{T}_v} |\frac{\sigma_{h_v}}{\gamma^{h_v}}| \Big) \cdot \\ \cdot \gamma^{-h_v \sum_{l\in T_v} b_\alpha(l)} \gamma^{-h_v(s_v-1)} \gamma^{h_v \sum_{l\in T_v} \left[q_\alpha(f_l^+)+q_\alpha(f_l^-)+m(f_l^+)+m(f_l^-)\right]} \Big] ,\end{aligned} \quad (3.102)$$

where $n_\nu(v)$ is the number of vertices of type ν with scale h_v+1 and $\bar{T}_v$ is the subset of the lines of T_v corresponding to *non diagonal* propagators, that is propagators with different ω indices.

It is easy to see that

$$\sum_{v \text{ not e.p.}} h_v \sum_{i=1}^{s_v} q_\alpha(P_{v_i}\setminus Q_{v_i}) + h\, q_\alpha(P_{v_0}) = \sum_{f\in I_{v_0}} h_\alpha(f) q_\alpha(f) \quad (3.103)$$

and, by using also the remark after (3.86), that

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\bar{v}\ge v} \Big\{ \frac{1}{2}\Big(\sum_{i=1}^{s_{\bar{v}}} |P_{\bar{v}_i}| - |P_{\bar{v}}| \Big) - 2(s_{\bar{v}}-1) + n_\nu(\bar{v}) + \sum_{i=1}^{s_{\bar{v}}} m(P_{\bar{v}_i}\setminus Q_{\bar{v}_i}) \Big\} = \\ = \frac{1}{2}(|I_v| - |P_v|) + m(I_v\setminus P_v) + \sum_{\bar{v}\ge v} n_\nu(\bar{v}) - 2(n_v-1) = -\frac{1}{2}|P_v| + 2 .\end{aligned} \quad (3.104)$$

By inserting (3.102) in (3.100) and using (3.83), (3.103), (3.104), we find

$$\int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} |W_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})| \le C^n L\beta\varepsilon_h^n \gamma^{-hD_k(P_{v_0})} \prod_{v\in V_2} \frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}} \cdot \\ \cdot \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \left\{ \frac{1}{s_v!} C^{\sum_{i=1}^{s_v} |P_{v_i}| - |P_v|} \Big(Z_{h_v}/Z_{h_v-1} \Big)^{|P_v|/2} \gamma^{-[-2+\frac{|P_v|}{2}+z(P_v)]} \right\} , \tag{3.105}$$

where V_2 is the set of vertices, which are not endpoints, such that $\rho(T_v) + |\tilde{T}_v| > 0$, while the vertices $\bar{v} > v$ do not enjoy this property.

Let us now consider a vertex v, which is not an endpoint, such that $|P_v| = 2$ and $\sum_{f\in P_v} \omega(f) \neq 0$. We want to show that there is a vertex $\bar{v} \ge v$, such that $\bar{v} \in V_2$. In order to prove this claim, we note that, if v^* is an endpoint, then $\sum_{f\in P_{v^*}} \sigma(f)\omega(f) = 0$, while $\sum_{f\in P_v} \sigma(f)\omega(f) \neq 0$. Since all diagonal propagators join two fields with equal ω indices and opposite σ indices, given any Feynman graph connecting the endpoints of the cluster L_v, at least one of its lines has to be a non diagonal propagator, so that at least one of the vertices $\bar{v} \ge v$ must belong to V_2.

Moreover, if $v \in V_2$,

$$\frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}} = \frac{|\sigma_h|}{\gamma^h} \frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{|\sigma_h|} \gamma^{h-h_v} \le \frac{|\sigma_h|}{\gamma^h} \gamma^{(h-h_v)(1-c_1\varepsilon_h)} \le C\gamma^{(h-h_v)(1/2)} , \tag{3.106}$$

if $\varepsilon_h \le \bar{\varepsilon}$ and $\bar{\varepsilon} \le 1/(2c_1)$. We have used the second inequality in (3.88) and the definition (2.116), implying that $|\sigma_h| \le \frac{a_0}{4\gamma}\gamma^h$, if $h \ge h^*$.

It follows that

$$\prod_{v\in V_2} \frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}} \le C^n \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \gamma^{-\frac{1}{2}\tilde{z}(P_v)} , \tag{3.107}$$

where

$$\tilde{z}(P_v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |P_v| = 2 \text{ and } \sum_{f\in P_v} \omega(f) \neq 0 , \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \tag{3.108}$$

so that

$$-2 + \frac{|P_v|}{2} + z(P_v) + \frac{\tilde{z}(P_v)}{2} \ge \frac{1}{2} , \quad \forall v \text{ not e.p.} . \tag{3.109}$$

Hence (3.105) can be changed in

$$\int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} |W_{\tau,\mathbf{P},\mathbf{r},T,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_{v_0})| \le C^n L\beta\varepsilon_h^n \gamma^{-hD_k(P_{v_0})} \cdot \\ \cdot \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \left\{ \frac{1}{s_v!} C^{\sum_{i=1}^{s_v} |P_{v_i}| - |P_v|} \Big(Z_{h_v}/Z_{h_v-1} \Big)^{|P_v|/2} \gamma^{-[-2+\frac{|P_v|}{2}+z(P_v)+\frac{\tilde{z}(P_v)}{2}]} \right\} , \tag{3.110}$$

In order to complete the proof of the bound (3.89), we have to perform the sums in the r.h.s. of (3.89). The number of unlabeled trees is $\le 4^n$; fixed an unlabeled tree, the number of terms in the sum over the various labels of the tree is bounded by C^n, except the sums over the scale labels and the sets $\mathbf{P}$. The number of addenda in the sums over α and $\mathbf{r}$ is again bounded by C^n, since the action of $\mathcal{R}$ can be non trivial at most two times between two consecutive non trivial vertices (see §3.3) and the number of non trivial vertices is of order n.

Regarding the sum over T, it is empty if $s_v = 1$. If $s_v > 1$ and $N_{v_i} \equiv |P_{v_i}| - |Q_{v_i}|$, the number of anchored trees with d_i lines branching from the vertex v_i can be bounded, by using Caley's formula, by

$$\frac{(s_v-2)!}{(d_1-1)!...(d_{s_v}-1)!} N_{v_1}^{d_1}...N_{v_{s_v}}^{d_{s_v}} \; ;$$

hence the number of addenda in $\sum_{T\in\mathbf{T}}$ is bounded by $\prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} s_v!\, C^{\sum_{i=1}^{s_v} |P_{v_i}|-|P_v|}$.

In order to bound the sums over the scale labels and $\mathbf{P}$ we first use the inequality, following from (3.109) and the first inequality in (3.88), if $c_1\varepsilon_h^2 \le 1/16$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \left(Z_{h_v}/Z_{h_v-1}\right)^{|P_v|/2} \gamma^{-\frac{1}{2}[-2+\frac{|P_v|}{2}+z(P_v)+\frac{\tilde{z}(P_v)}{2}]} \le \\ &\le [\prod_{\tilde{v}} \gamma^{-\frac{1}{40}(h_{\tilde{v}}-h_{\tilde{v}'})}][\prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \gamma^{-\frac{|P_v|}{40}}] \, , \end{aligned} \tag{3.111}$$

where $\tilde{v}$ are the non trivial vertices, and $\tilde{v}'$ is the non trivial vertex immediately preceding $\tilde{v}$ or the root. The factors $\gamma^{-\frac{1}{40}(h_{\tilde{v}}-h_{\tilde{v}'})}$ in the r.h.s. of (3.111) allow to bound the sums over the scale labels by C^n.

Finally the sum over $\mathbf{P}$ can be bound by using the following combinatorial inequality, trivial for γ large enough, but valid for any $\gamma > 1$ (see [BGPS], §3). Let $\{p_v, v \in \tau\}$ a set of integers such that $p_v \le \sum_{i=1}^{s_v} p_{v_i}$ for all $v \in \tau$ which are not endpoints; then

$$\prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \sum_{p_v} \gamma^{-\frac{p_v}{40}} \le C^n \, . \tag{3.112}$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{\substack{\mathbf{P} \\ |P_{v_0}|=2m}} \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \gamma^{-\frac{|P_v|}{40}} \le \prod_{v \text{ not e.p.}} \sum_{p_v} \gamma^{-\frac{p_v}{40}} \le C^n \, . \tag{3.113}$$

The proof of the bounds (3.91) and (3.93) is very similar. For the terms contributing to n_h one gets a bound like (3.89), with $m = 1$ and $k = 0$, but the factor $\gamma^{-hD_k(P_{v_0})} = \gamma^h$ is compensated by the factor γ^{-h} appearing in the definition of $n_h(\tau)$, see (3.71). For the terms contributing to z_h and a_h $D_k(P_{v_0}) = 0$ ($m = k = 1$), as well as for those contributing to l_h ($m = 2$, $k = 0$). Finally, for the terms contributing to $\tilde{E}_{h+1}$, $D_k(P_{v_0}) = 2$. For the terms contributing to s_h, $D_k(P_{v_0}) = -1$, but each term has also at least one small factor $|\sigma_h|\gamma^{-h}$ in its bound, since $|V_2| \ge 1$, see (3.106); so we get the bound (3.92).

3.15 Proof of (3.102).

We shall refer to the definitions and the discussion in §3.7 and §3.9. Let us consider the factor in the r.h.s. of (3.101) associated with the line $l \in T_v$ and let us suppose that $\mathbf{x}_l \in \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$, $\mathbf{y}_l \in \mathbf{x}^{(i')}$. By using (3.47), (3.53) and the similar expressions for the other difference fields produced by the regularization, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} &\hat{\partial}^{q_\alpha(f_l^-)}_{j_\alpha(f_l^-)} \hat{\partial}^{q_\alpha(f_l^+)}_{j_\alpha(f_l^+)} [d^{b_\alpha(l)}_{j_\alpha(l)}(\mathbf{x}_l,\mathbf{y}_l) \bar{\partial}_1^{m_l} g^{(h_v)}_{\omega_l^-,\omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}_l-\mathbf{y}_l)] = \\ &= \int_0^1 dt_l \int_0^1 ds_l \tilde{\partial}^{q_\alpha(f_l^-)}_{j_\alpha(f_l^-)} \tilde{\partial}^{q_\alpha(f_l^+)}_{j_\alpha(f_l^+)} [d^{b_\alpha(l)}_{j_\alpha(l)}(\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l),\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l)) \bar{\partial}_1^{m_l} g^{(h_v)}_{\omega_l^-,\omega_l^+}(\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l)-\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l))] \, , \end{aligned} \tag{3.114}$$

where, depending on α, there are essentially two different possibilities for the operators $\tilde\partial_{j_\alpha}^{q_\alpha}$ and the space-time points $\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l)$, $\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l)$. Let us consider, for example, f_l^-; then the first possibility is that $\tilde\partial_{j_\alpha}^{q_\alpha}$ is a derivative of order q_α and

$$\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l) = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_l + t_l(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_l - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_l) \text{ ,for some } \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_l \in \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \ , \tag{3.115}$$

$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_l$ being defined in terms of $\mathbf{x}_l$ as $\bar y$ is defined in terms of y in §3.5 (that is $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_l$ and $\mathbf{x}_l$ are equivalent representation of the same point on the space-time torus). The second possibility is that $\tilde\partial_{j_\alpha}^{q_\alpha}$ is a local operator of the form $L^{-n_1}\beta^{-n_2}\bar\partial_1^{n_3}\partial_0^{n_4}$, with $q_\alpha \le \sum_{i=1}^4 n_i \le q_\alpha + 1$, and $\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l) = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_l \in \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$. Note that, by (2.40), $L^{-n_1}\beta^{-n_2} \le \gamma^{h_{L,\beta}(n_1+n_2)} \le \gamma^{h_v(n_1+n_2)}$.

By proceeding as in the proof of lemma (2.6) and using (2.105) it is very easy to show that, for any $N > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}&\left|\tilde\partial_{j_\alpha(f_l^-)}^{q_\alpha(f_l^-)}\tilde\partial_{j_\alpha(f_l^+)}^{q_\alpha(f_l^+)}[d_{j_\alpha(l)}^{b_\alpha(l)}(\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l),\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l))\bar\partial_1^{m_l} g_{\omega_l^-,\omega_l^+}^{(h_v)}(\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l)-\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l))]\right| \le \\ &\le C\frac{\gamma^{h_v[1+q_\alpha(f_l^+)+q_\alpha(f_l^-)+m(f_l^-)+m(f_l^+)-b_\alpha(l)]}}{1+[\gamma^{h_v}|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l)-\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l))|]^N}\Big(\frac{|\sigma_{h_v}|}{\gamma^{h_v}}\Big)^{\rho_l} \ ,\end{aligned} \tag{3.116}$$

where $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})$ is defined in (2.97) and $\rho_l = 1$ if $\omega(f_l^-) \neq \omega(f_l^+)$, $\rho_l = 0$ otherwise. We used here the fact that, if $h_v = +1$, then $q_\alpha(f_l^-) = q_\alpha(f_l^+) = 0$, which allows to avoid the problems connected with the singularity of the time derivatives of the scale 1 propagator at $x'_{l,0}(t_l) - y'_{l,0}(s_l) = 0$.

Let us now consider the contribution of the endpoints to the r.h.s. of (3.101) and recall (see §3.10) that $T_{v_i^*}$ is empty, if $|\mathbf{x}_{v_i^*}| = 1$, hence $b_\alpha(v_i^*) = 0$, while, if $\mathbf{x}_{v_i^*} = (\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$, $T_{v_i^*}$ contains the line l_i connecting $\mathbf{x}_i$ with $\mathbf{y}_i$ and $h_{v_i^*} = 2$. By using (3.33) and (3.39), we get, if $h_i \equiv h_{v_i^*}$ and $S_\nu \equiv \{i : v_i^* \text{ is of type } \nu\}$,

$$\begin{aligned}&\left|\Big[\prod_{i=1}^n d_{j_\alpha(v_i^*)}^{b_\alpha(v_i^*)}(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{y}_i)K_{v_i^*}^{h_i}(\mathbf{x}_{v_i^*})\Big]\right| \le \\ &\le C^n\varepsilon_h^n \prod_{i:|\mathbf{x}_{v_i^*}|=2}\frac{1}{[1+|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}_i-\mathbf{y}_i)|]^N}\prod_{i\in S_\nu}\gamma^{(h_i-1)} \ .\end{aligned} \tag{3.117}$$

Let us now remark that, after the insertion of the bounds (3.116) and (3.117) in the r.h.s. of (3.101), by possibly changing the constant C, we can substitute $\int d\mathbf{x}_{v_0}$, which is there a shorthand for $\prod_{\mathbf{x}\in\mathbf{x}_{v_0}}\sum_{x\in\Lambda}\int dx_0$, with the real integral over $(\mathbb{T}_{L,\beta})^{|\mathbf{x}_{v_0}|}$, where $\mathbb{T}_{L,\beta}$ is the space-time torus $[-L/2, L/2]\times[-\beta/2,\beta/2]$. Moreover, equation (3.115) can be thought, and we shall do that, as defining an interval on $\mathbb{T}_{L,\beta}$, when t_l spans the interval $[0,1]$; this is possible thanks to the introduction of the partition (3.42) in §3.5.

Hence, in order to complete the proof of (3.102), we have to show that, fixed a point $\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbf{x}_{v_0}$, the interpolation parameters associated with the regularization operations and an integer $N \ge 3$,

$$\int_\Xi d(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}\setminus\bar{\mathbf{x}})\prod_{v\in\tau}\prod_{l\in T_v}\frac{1}{1+[\gamma^{h_v}|\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l)-\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l))|]^N} \le \prod_{v\in\tau}C\gamma^{-h_v(s_v-1)} \ , \tag{3.118}$$

where Ξ denotes the subset of $(\mathbb{T}_{L,\beta})^{|\mathbf{x}_{v_0}\setminus\bar{\mathbf{x}}|}$ satisfying all the constraints associated with the interpolated points of the form (3.115).

Let us call $\tilde{T} = \cup_v \tilde{T}_v$, where $\tilde{T}_v$ is the set of lines connecting $\mathbf{x}'_l(t_l)$ with $\mathbf{y}'_l(s_l)$, for any $l \in T_v$. $\tilde{T}$ is not a tree in general; however, for any v, $\tilde{T}_v$ is still an anchored tree graph between the clusters of points $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$, $i = 1, \dots, s_v$. Hence, the proof of (3.118) becomes trivial, if we can show that

$$d(\mathbf{x}_{v_0}\setminus\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \prod_{l\in\bar{T}} d\mathbf{r}_l \ , \tag{3.119}$$

where $\mathbf{r}_l = \mathbf{x}'_l(t_l) - \mathbf{y}'_l(s_l)$.

In order to prove (3.119), we can proceed, for example, as in [BM1]. Let us consider first a vertex v with $|T_v| > 0$, which is maximal with respect to the tree order; hence either v is a non local endpoint with $h_v = 2$ or it is a non trivial vertex with no vertex v' with $|T_{v'}| > 0$ following it. In this case $\tilde{T}_v = T_v$, that is no line depends on the interpolation parameters, and $\tilde{T}_v$ is a tree on the set $\mathbf{x}_v$, so that we get immediately the identity

$$d\mathbf{x}_v = d\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v)} \prod_{l\in\bar{T}_v} d\mathbf{r}_l \ , \tag{3.120}$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v)}$ is an arbitrary point of $\mathbf{x}_v$. If we use (3.120) for the family S_0 of all maximal vertices with $|T_v| > 0$, we get

$$d\mathbf{x}_{v_0} = \prod_{v\in S_0} \Big[d\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v)} \prod_{l\in\bar{T}_v} d\mathbf{r}_l \Big] \ . \tag{3.121}$$

Let us now consider a line $\bar{l} \in \tilde{T}$, which connects two clusters of points $\mathbf{x}_{v_1}$ and $\mathbf{x}_{v_2}$, with $v_i \in S_0$, $i = 1, 2$. By (3.115)

$$\mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}} = \mathbf{x}'_{\bar{l}}(t_{\bar{l}}) - \mathbf{y}'_{\bar{l}}(s_{\bar{l}}) = t_{\bar{l}}\mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}} + (1-t_{\bar{l}})\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}} - \mathbf{y}'_{\bar{l}}(s_{\bar{l}}) \ , \tag{3.122}$$

implying that

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_1)} = \mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_1)} - \mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}} = \mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}} + t_{\bar{l}}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_1)} - \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}}) + (1-t_{\bar{l}})(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_1)} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}}) + \mathbf{y}'_{\bar{l}}(s_{\bar{l}}) \ . \tag{3.123}$$

Since $\mathbf{y}'_{\bar{l}}(s_{\bar{l}})$ depends only on the variables $\mathbf{x}_{v_2}$ and $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_1)} - \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}})$ and $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_1)} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}})$ both depend only on $\{\mathbf{r}_l, l \in \tilde{T}_{v_1}\}$, we get

$$\prod_{i=1}^{2} \Big[d\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_i)} \prod_{l\in\bar{T}_{v_i}} d\mathbf{r}_l \Big] = d\mathbf{r}_{\bar{l}} d\bar{\mathbf{x}}^{(v_2)} \prod_{i=1}^{2} \prod_{l\in\bar{T}_{v_i}} d\mathbf{r}_l \ . \tag{3.124}$$

By iterating this procedure, one gets (3.119).

3.16 As we have discussed in §2.13, it is not necessary to perform the scale decomposition of the Grassmanian integration up to the last scale $h_{L,\beta}$, but we can stop it to the scale h^*, defined in (2.116). Hence, we redefine $\tilde{E}_{h^*}$, so that

$$e^{-L\beta\bar{E}_{h^*}} = \int P_{Z_{h^*-1},\sigma_{h^*-1},C_{h^*}}(d\psi^{(\le h^*)})\, e^{-\hat{\mathcal{V}}^{(h^*)}(\sqrt{Z_{h^*-1}}\psi^{(\le h^*)})} \ , \tag{3.125}$$

implying that

$$E_{L,\beta} = \sum_{h=h^*}^{1} [\tilde{E}_h + t_h] \,. \tag{3.126}$$

Thanks to Lemma 2.12, we can proceed as in the proof of Theorem 3.12 to prove the following Theorem.

3.17 THEOREM. *There exists a constant $\bar{\varepsilon}$ such that, if $\varepsilon_{h^*} \leq \bar{\varepsilon}$ and, for $h = h^*$, (2.98) holds and the bounds (3.88) are satisfied, then*

$$\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{h^*-1,n}} |\tilde{E}_{h^*}(\tau)| \leq \gamma^{2h^*} (C\varepsilon_{h^*})^n \,. \tag{3.127}$$

3.18 Theorems 3.12 and 3.17, together with (3.126) and (2.118), imply that the expansion defining $E_{L,\beta}$ is convergent, uniformly in L, β. With some more work (essentially trivial, but cumbersome to describe) one can also prove that $\lim_{L,\beta\to\infty} E_{L,\beta}$ does exist.

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