

ON THE APPLICATION OF THE NONLINEAR CHIRAL σ -MODEL IN HOT AND DENSE MATTER

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There are several advantages to look upon the linear chiral Lagrangian as the starting point in describing hot and dense matter [1,2]. We follow the approach introduced by Weinberg and Schwinger [3,4]. Starting with the renormalizable linear theory, we redefine the fields using a highly nonlinear transformation of the Weinberg type. To this new representation we add an expression whose shape is motivated by Ref. [5].

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \bar{N} \left[i\gamma_{\mu} \partial^{\mu} - g\phi' + (1 + \xi^2)^{-1} \left(\gamma_{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} \bar{\tau} \partial^{\nu} \bar{\xi} - \gamma_{\mu} \bar{\tau} (\bar{\xi} \times \partial^{\mu} \bar{\xi}) \right) \right] N + \\ & + 2^{-1} \left[(\partial^{\mu} \phi')^2 + 4\phi' (\partial^{\mu} \bar{\xi})^2 (1 + \xi^2)^{-2} \right] - \\ & - 2^{-1} \mu^2 \phi'^2 - 2^{-2} \lambda^2 \phi'^4 + (1 + \xi^2)^{-1} (1 - \xi^2)^2 c\phi' + \delta\alpha c^2 \phi'^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

N corresponds to the transformed nucleon, ϕ' and $\bar{\xi}$ to the transformed scalar and pseudoscalar fields, respectively.

It is our goal to determine the renormalized effective action in one-loop approximation. Furthermore, we compare the meson propagators of the scalar and the pseudoscalar field in the linear theory with those in the nonlinear representation to discuss their equivalence.

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