# 7. Low and high T expansions in Ising model

In addition to the Monte Carlo methods, we can generate results analytically from lattice models. The most important expansions are the *lowand high-temperature* expansions:

- Low temperature expansion:
  - Expansion of  $Z= \int [d\phi] e^{-E/T}$  around T=0
  - Perturbations around a  $\mathit{S} = \mathit{S}_{\min}$  state

- In field theory this corresponds to the *weak coupling expansion*. For continuously varying fields, this gives the standard perturbation theory (in continuum or on the lattice)

• High temperature expansion:

 $e^{-E/T} \sim 1 - E/T + \frac{1}{2}(E/T)^2 + \dots$ 

- Expansion around a "random" state
- Strong coupling expansion

- Hopping parameter expansion
- No direct continuum counterpart
- Mean field approximation
- Exact results: dualities etc.

#### Ising model: low + high temperature expansions

Ising model: every lattice point has a spin  $s_i = \pm 1$ 

$$Z = \sum_{s_i} e^{-\beta H}, \qquad H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} s_i s_j$$

 $\langle ij \rangle$ : nearest neighbour pairs,  $\beta = 1/T$ The model has a symmetry breaking phase transition at a Curie point  $\beta_c$ (in 2D:  $\beta_c = \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \approx 0.8814$ ). If  $\beta \leq \beta_c$  ( $T \geq T_c$ ),  $\langle s \rangle = 0$ , whereas if  $\beta > \beta_c$ ,  $\langle s \rangle \neq 0$ .

### 7.1. Low temperature expansion for 2d Ising

• 2d Ising model at  $\beta \gg 1$ . For simplicity, redefine

 $H \rightarrow H' = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} [1 - \delta(s_i, s_j)]$  so that a completely ordered system (all  $s_i = +1$  or -1) has H = 0.

- Assume that  $\langle s \rangle > 0$  (for example, boundaries fixed to s = 1)
- Classify configurations by the number of *frustrated* bonds  $n_f = 0, 4, 6...$
- Partition function

$$Z = \sum_{s_i} e^{-\beta H} = \sum_{s_i} \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} e^{-\beta(1-\delta(s_i,s_j))} = \sum_{s_i} e^{-\beta n_f[s]}$$
  
= 1 + Ve<sup>-4\beta</sup> + 2Ve<sup>-6\beta</sup> + (6V + V + V(V - 5))e<sup>-8\beta</sup> + O(e^{-10\beta})



• Likewise, expectation value  $\langle s \rangle = \langle s_x \rangle$  (using translation invariance:

$$\langle s_x \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{s_i} s_x e^{-\beta H}$$

$$= \frac{1 + (V - 2)e^{-4\beta} + (2V - 8)e^{-6\beta} + O(e^{-8\beta})}{1 + Ve^{-4\beta} + 2Ve^{-6\beta} + O(e^{-8\beta})}$$

$$= 1 - 2e^{-4\beta} - 8e^{-6\beta} + O(e^{-8\beta})$$

- 2d Ising: expansion to order e<sup>-76β</sup> [I. G. Enting, A, J. Guttmann, I. Jensen, J.Phys.A27 (1994)]
  3d Ising: expansion to e<sup>-26β</sup> [I. G. Enting, A, J. Guttmann, J.Phys.A26 (1993)]
- Note: expansion of  $F = -\log Z$  has only connected graphs and is  $\propto V!$
- Does not work for continuous d.o.f's

From [I. G. Enting, A, J. Guttmann, I. Jensen, J.Phys. A27 (1994) 6987-7006] **Table II:** New low-temperature series for the spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  2-dimensional Ising magnetisation  $(M(u) = \sum_n m_n u^n)$ , susceptibility ( $\chi(u) = \sum_n x_n u^n$ ), and specific heat ( $C_v(u) = \sum_n c_n u^n$ ). All terms with odd n are zero.

n	$m_n$	$x_n$	$c_n$
0	1	0	0
2	0	0	0
4	-2	1	16
6	-8	8	72
8	-34	60	288
10	-152	416	1200
12	-714	2791	5376
14	-3472	18296	25480
16	-17318	118016	125504
18	-88048	752008	634608
20	-454378	4746341	3269680
22	-2373048	29727472	17086168
24	-12515634	185016612	90282240
26	-66551016	1145415208	481347152
28	-356345666	7059265827	2585485504
30	-1919453984	43338407712	13974825960
32	-10392792766	265168691392	75941188736

n	$m_n$	$x_n$	$c_n$
34	-56527200992	1617656173824	414593263952
36	-308691183938	9842665771649	2272626444528
38	-1691769619240	59748291677832	12502223573304
40	-9301374102034	361933688520940	68996534259040
42	-51286672777080	2188328005246304	381858968527680
44	-283527726282794	13208464812265559	2118806030647328
46	-1571151822119216	79600379336505560	11783826597027256
48	-8725364469143718	479025509574159232	65674579024955904
50	-48552769461088336	2878946431929191656	366728645195006000
52	-270670485377401738	17281629934637476365	2051443799934043632
54	-1511484024051198680	103621922312364296112	11494250259278105304
56	-8453722260102884930	620682823263814178484	64499139095733378176
58	-47350642314439048648	3714244852389988540072	362436080938852037648
60	-265579129813183372802	22206617664989885664363	2039249170926323834880
62	-1491465339550559632448	132657236460768679560864	11487673072269872540904
64	-8385872784303807639294	791843294876287279547520	64786142191741932873984
66	-47202746620874986470336	4723112509660327575046688	365754067103461706996304
68	-265975151780412455885826	28152514246598001579534217	2066925549185792626090544
70	-1500179080790296495333960	167696255471026758161692328	11691314122170272566638200
72	-8469330846027919131108866	998303936498277539688401212	66188283453887221177721568
74	-47856040705247407564621400	5939502715888619728011515904	375021938737150106426702208
76	-270636033194089067428986890	35318214476286590871820680287	2126523853550658555941372768

#### 7.2. High temperature expansion for 2d Ising

[A.J.Guttmann, in *Phase transitions and critical phenomena*, Vol. 13, eds. Domb and Lebowitz (Academic Press, 1989)]

- Now most convenient to use  $H = -\sum_{\langle ij \rangle} s_i s_j$
- Partition function at  $\beta \ll 1$ : expand in  $\beta$ , only terms which have  $s_i^{2n}$  survive!

$$Z = \sum_{s_i} \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} e^{\beta s_i s_j}$$
  
=  $\sum_{s_i} \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} \left( 1 + \beta s_i s_j + \frac{1}{2!} \beta^2 (s_i s_j)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \beta^3 (s_i s_j)^3 + \frac{1}{4!} \beta^4 (s_i s_j)^4 + \ldots \right)$   
=  $2^V \left[ 1 + \beta^2 \frac{2V}{2} + \beta^4 \left( \frac{2V}{4!} + \frac{6V}{2^2} + V + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2V(2V - 7)}{2^2} \right) + O(\beta^6) \right]$ 

•  $\mapsto$  Partition function as a sum of closed graphs:

$$Z = 2^{V} \sum_{G} \beta^{L(G)} \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} \frac{1}{m_{ij}(G)!}$$

where L(G) is the number of the links in the graph G (including links with n hops n times), and  $m_{ij}(G)$  is the number of hops over link < ij >.

• Expectation values for spin operators: the operators we measure are products (and sums of products) of spins.

$$-\langle \Pi^N s_i \rangle = 0$$
, if  $N$  odd

– for N even, construct graphs which connect the "sources".

For example, a nn-pair  $\langle s_a s_b \rangle$  has the following graphs up to 3 hops:



This gives (taking into account the combinatorics)

$$\langle s_{a}s_{b} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{s_{i}} s_{a}s_{b}e^{-\beta H} = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{s_{i}} s_{a}s_{b} \left(\beta s_{a}s_{b} + \beta^{3} \left[\frac{1}{3!}(s_{a}s_{b})^{3} + \sum_{cd \in \sqcup} (s_{a}s_{c})(s_{c}s_{d})(s_{d}s_{b}) \right. + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \neq \langle ab \rangle} (s_{i}s_{j})^{2}s_{a}s_{b} \right] + O(\beta^{5}) \right) = \frac{\beta + \beta^{3}(\frac{1}{3!} + 2 + \frac{V-1}{2}) + O(\beta^{5})}{1 + \beta^{2}V + O(\beta^{4})} = \beta + \beta^{3}\frac{5}{3} + O(\beta^{5})$$

Here the last line could have been written directly by inspecting the graphs. Each link gives a factor of  $\beta$ , and the "multiplicity" gives a factor 1/m!.

• Note: again  $F = -\log Z$  contains only connected graphs, and is  $\propto V$ .

### 7.3. High temperature expansion using "character expansion"

• A more efficient way to perform the high-temperature expansion is to use the "character expansion":

 $\exp[\beta s_i s_j] = a(1 + b s_i s_j)$ 

where  $a = \cosh \beta$  and  $b = \tanh \beta$ ;  $O(b) = O(\beta)$ . Now



• Only single-link graphs here! Much easier to enumerate.

- If we want the expansion in  $\beta$ , we have to expand a and b.
- Note:  $\beta^2$  -term comes from the "vacuum";

 $a^{2V}2^V \times 1 = 2^V(1 + \beta^2/2 + ...)^{2V} = 2^V(1 + \beta^2 V + O(\beta^4))$ 

• Partition function as a sum of closed graphs is simply

$$Z = a^{2V} 2^V \sum_G b^{L(G)}$$

where L(G) is the number of the links in the graph G.

 And nn-pair expectation value comes as before, from the expansion where the source points are connected by links:

$$\langle s_a s_b \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{s_i} s_a s_b e^{-\beta H} = \frac{1}{Z} a^{2V} \sum_{s_i} s_a s_b \left( b s_a s_b + b^3 \sum_{cd \in \sqcup} (s_a s_c) (s_c s_d) (s_d s_b) + O(b^5) \right) = b + 2b^3 + O(b^4) = \beta + \beta^3 \frac{5}{3} + O(\beta^4).$$

Much simpler graphs to work with than before!

• Generalizes to continuous spins: hopping parameter expansion

# 7.4. Duality in 2D Ising model

- Duality relations are (usually) exact relations which map a lattice system to another. Generically, they map low-temperature (weak coupling) ↔ high-temperature (strong coupling).
- *Dual lattice* is a lattice which lives at the center of the original lattice hypercubes. In 2 dimensions:



- 2D Ising model is *self-dual*, i.e. the dual model is 2d ising too, but with different coupling.
- Start from the graph expansion from previous section ( $a = \cosh \beta, b = \tanh \beta$ ):

$$Z = a^{2V} \sum_{s_i} \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} (1 + bs_i s_j)$$
  
=  $a^{2V} 2^V \sum_G b^{L(G)} = a^{2V} 2^V \sum_G \prod_i b^{n_i(G)/2}$ 

where  $n_i(G)$  is the number of links in closed graph *G* connecting to point *i*. Naturally, it has values  $n_i = 0, 2, 4$ .

- $n_i$  lives on site *i* on the original lattice. Now comes the crucial point: we can map any graph to dual variables  $\sigma_{\alpha} = \pm 1$ , living on the dual lattice, so that  $\sigma_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha'} = -1$ , if link which crosses the dual link  $(\alpha, \alpha')$ belongs to the graph *G*; +1 otherwise.
- In other words, the original graphs divide the dual lattice in domains; neighbouring domains have different *σ*.
- Thus, each graph  $\leftrightarrow$  2  $\sigma$ -configurations (all  $\sigma_{\alpha} \rightarrow -\sigma_{\alpha}$  symmetry).
- If  $\sigma_i$ , i = 1, 2, 3, 4 surround point *i*, then we can identify (normalizing)

$$n_i = -(\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_4 + \sigma_4 \sigma_1)/2 + 2.$$

Substituting this into partition function, we obtain (note: each dual link appears twice!)

$$Z = a^{2V} 2^{V} 2 \sum_{\sigma} b^{\frac{1}{2}\sum_{\langle \alpha\gamma \rangle} 1 - \sigma_{\alpha}\sigma_{\gamma}}$$
$$\propto \sum_{\sigma} e^{\beta' \sum_{\langle \alpha\gamma \rangle} \sigma_{\alpha}\sigma_{\gamma}}$$

where  $\beta'$  is defined through

$$b^{1/2} = \tanh^{1/2} \beta = e^{-\beta'} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \beta' = -\frac{1}{2} \ln \tanh \beta.$$

Thus, 2 Ising models with  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$  are exactly dual – equivalent! – to each other. Note: if

$$\beta \to \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} 0 \\ \infty \end{array} \right. \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \beta' \to \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} \infty \\ 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Thus, the hot phase is mapped to the cold one and vice versa.

- What if  $\beta' = \beta$ : now  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$ , i.e. the critical point of the Ising model!
- Only in 2d the dual of a lattice spin model is a spin model. Very few models are self-dual (Ising and *Potts* models).
- In 3D, the dual of a spin model is a *gauge theory*. For example, the dual of a 3D Ising model is a 3D Ising gauge theory. Very useful relation! We do not know efficient (cluster) algorithms for Ising gauge theory, but do for the Ising model.

• In 4D, the dual of a gauge theory is another gauge theory.

### Hopping parameter expansion

• Scalar theory in *d*-dimensions:

$$S = \int d^d x \, \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{1}{4!} \lambda_0 \phi^4$$

• Conventional (not perhaps the best) lattice discretization: define (note: in *d*-dim.  $[\lambda_0] = \text{GeV}^{4-d}$ )

• 
$$\varphi = \sqrt{\kappa}a^{d-2}/2\phi$$

• 
$$\lambda = \frac{1}{4!}\lambda_0 a^{4-d}\kappa^2$$

• Hopping parameter  $\kappa$  is fixed through  $(d + \frac{1}{2}(ma)^2)\kappa + 2\lambda = 1$ 

$$S_{\text{latt}} = \sum_{x} \left[ -\kappa \sum_{\mu} \varphi_x \varphi_{x+\mu} + \varphi_x^2 + \lambda (\varphi_x^2 - 1)^2 \right] = \sum_{x} \left[ -\kappa \sum_{\mu} \varphi_x \varphi_{x+\mu} + u(\varphi_x) \right]$$

All quantities are dimensionless.

•  $g \to \infty$ : Ising model

• *Naive* continuum limit: 
$$\kappa = \frac{1}{d} - \frac{2}{d}\lambda$$
.

• "High-temperature expansion": expand around  $\kappa = 0$ :

$$Z = \int \left[\prod_{x} d\varphi_{x} e^{-u(\varphi_{x})}\right] \prod_{\langle xy \rangle} e^{\kappa \varphi_{x} \varphi_{y}}$$

• Exactly as for the Ising model, we can write the last part as a sum over sets of links, *graphs G*:

$$\prod_{\langle xy \rangle} e^{\kappa \varphi_x \varphi_y} = \prod_{\langle xy \rangle} \sum_i \frac{1}{i!} \kappa^i \varphi_x^i \varphi_y^i$$
$$= \sum_G \kappa^{L(G)} \prod_{\langle xy \rangle \in G} \frac{1}{m_{xy}(G)!} (\varphi_x \varphi_y)^{m_{xy}(G)}$$
$$= \sum_G \kappa^{L(G)} c(G) \prod_x \varphi_x^{N_G(x)}$$

•  $m_{xy}(G)$ : the number of times link  $\langle ij \rangle$  is included in G

• 
$$c(G) \equiv \prod_{\langle xy \rangle} \frac{1}{m_{xy}(G)!}$$

- $N_G(x)$ : # of links going to point x
- Defining

$$Z_1 = \int d\varphi e^{-u(\varphi)}, \qquad \gamma_k = \langle \varphi^k \rangle_1 = \frac{1}{Z_1} \int d\varphi \ \varphi^k e^{-u(\varphi)}$$

we get

$$Z = Z_1^V \sum_G \kappa^{L(G)} c(G) \prod_{x \in G} \gamma_{N_G(x)}$$

• Since  $\gamma_k = 0$  for odd k, we get exactly the same closed graphs as for the Ising model.

$$\frac{Z}{Z_1^V} = 1 + \kappa^2 V d \frac{1}{2} \gamma_2^2 + \kappa^4 \left[ V d \frac{1}{4!} \gamma_4^2 + V d (2d-1) \frac{1}{(2!)^2} \gamma_4 \gamma_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} V d (d-1) \gamma_2^4 + \frac{1}{2} V d (Vd-4d+1) \frac{1}{(2!)^2} \gamma_4^2 \right] + O(\kappa^6)$$

- "Feynman rules" for Z: 1. Draw graphs of length L
  - 2. Each link: 1/m!
  - 3. Each point:  $\gamma_N$
- Again, free energy  $F = -\log Z$  contains only connected graphs.
- Various quantities calculated up to 14th order [M.Lüscher, P.Weisz, Nucl.Phys.B 295 (1988)]