

Ising Models in $d=1,2$

General definitions

- Canonical partition function

$$Z(T, H) \equiv \sum_{S_1=\pm 1} \dots \sum_{S_N=\pm 1} e^{-\beta E(S_1, \dots, S_N)}$$
$$E(S_1, \dots, S_N) \equiv -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} S_i S_j - H \sum_i S_i$$

- Helmholtz free energy

$$F(T, H) \equiv -k_B T \ln Z = -\frac{1}{\beta} \ln Z$$

- Internal energy

$$U(T, H) \equiv \langle E \rangle = -\frac{1}{Z} \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial \beta} \right) = -\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta} =$$
$$= F + TS, = F - T \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right)_H$$

entropy: $S = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right)_H$

- Heat capacity

$$C_H(T, H) \equiv \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_H = -T \left(\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial T^2} \right)_H$$

- Magnetization

$$M(T, H) \equiv \left\langle \sum_i S_i \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial H} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial H} \right)_T =$$
$$= - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial H} \right)_T$$

$$dF = -SdT - MdH$$

- Thermodynamic limit and spontaneous magnetization:

$$m(T, H) = \frac{M(T, H)}{N} \quad \text{— magnetization per site}$$

$$m_{\infty \text{ system}; (T, H) = \lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ H \geq 0}} \frac{M(T, H)}{N}$$

thermodynamic limit

$$m_{\infty \text{ system}}(T, H=0+) = \lim_{H \rightarrow 0+} m_{\infty \text{ system}}(T, H) =$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{— paramagnetic phase} \\ \neq 0 & \text{— ferromagnetic phase} \end{cases}$$

- Susceptibility per spin

$$\chi(T, H) = \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{\partial M}{\partial H} \right)_T$$

Methods: • exact solution in $d=1$ (transfer matrices)

• exact solution in $d=2$ (Onsager)

$d > 2$

• Series expansions — next term
(high-T expansions; low-T expansions)

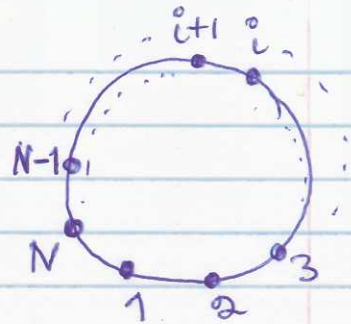
• Monte Carlo simulations

• Meanfield qualitatively correct for crit. indices in $d \geq 4$

Ising Chain ($d=1$)

Periodic boundary conditions

$$S_{N+1} \equiv S_1$$



$$Z = \sum_{S_1} \dots \sum_{S_N} \exp \left[\beta \sum_{i=1}^N \left(J S_i S_{i+1} + \frac{1}{2} H (S_i + S_{i+1}) \right) \right]$$

"symmetric form" for bond $\langle i, i+1 \rangle$

Let $\hat{T}$ be 2×2 matrix with "indices" labelled by $S = \pm 1$, such that

$$\langle S | \hat{T} | S' \rangle = e^{\beta (J S S' + \frac{1}{2} H (S + S'))}; \quad (S, S' = \pm 1)$$

$$\hat{T} = \begin{matrix} \text{index} \\ \begin{matrix} S=+1 \\ S=-1 \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\beta(J+H)} & e^{-\beta J} \\ e^{-\beta J} & e^{\beta(J-H)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{index} \\ \begin{matrix} S'=+1 & S'=-1 \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \quad \text{"transfer matrix"}$$

$$Z = \sum_{S_1} \dots \sum_{S_N} \langle S_1 | \hat{T} | S_2 \rangle \langle S_2 | \hat{T} | S_3 \rangle \dots \langle S_N | \hat{T} | S_1 \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{S_1} \langle S_1 | \hat{T}^N | S_1 \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{T}^N) = \lambda_+^N + \lambda_-^N,$$

where $\lambda_{\pm}$ are eigenvalues of $\hat{T}$; convention: $\lambda_+ > \lambda_-$

$$\hat{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{e^{\beta(J+H)} + e^{\beta(J-H)}}{2} & e^{-\beta J} \\ e^{-\beta J} & \frac{e^{\beta(J+H)} + e^{\beta(J-H)}}{2} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathbb{1} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{e^{\beta(J+H)} - e^{\beta(J-H)}}{2} & e^{-\beta J} \\ e^{-\beta J} & -\frac{e^{\beta(J+H)} - e^{\beta(J-H)}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow e^{\beta J} (\cosh(\beta H) \pm \sqrt{\sinh^2(\beta H) + e^{-4\beta J}})$$

$$\lambda_{\pm} = e^{\beta J} \cosh(\beta H) \pm \sqrt{(e^{\beta J} \sinh(\beta H))^2 + e^{-2\beta J}} =$$

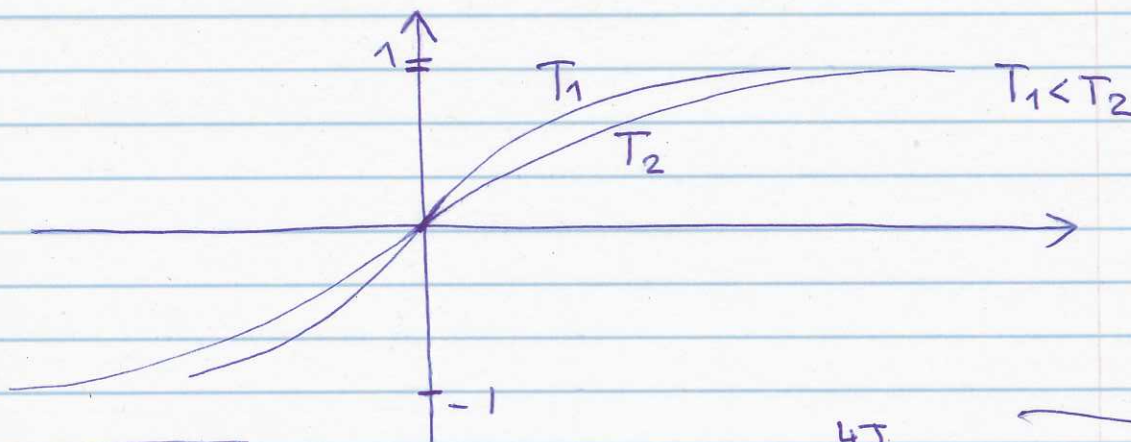
$$Z = \lambda_+^N \left(1 + \frac{\lambda_-^N}{\lambda_+^N}\right) \approx \lambda_+^N \text{ for } N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\frac{F}{N} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \ln \lambda_+ = -J - \frac{1}{\beta} \ln (\cosh(\beta H) + \sqrt{\sinh^2(\beta H) + e^{-4\beta J}})$$

All thermodynamics follows:

$$\Rightarrow m(T, H) = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial H} = \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\sinh(\beta H) \cdot \beta + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\sinh^2(\beta H) + e^{-4\beta J}}} \cdot 2\sinh(\beta H)}{\cosh(\beta H) + \sqrt{\sinh^2(\beta H) + e^{-4\beta J}}} \times \beta$$

$$= \frac{\sinh(\beta H)}{\sqrt{\sinh^2(\beta H) + e^{-4\beta J}}}$$



$$m(T, H) \underset{H \rightarrow 0}{=} \frac{\beta H}{e^{-4\beta J}} = \frac{e^{\frac{4J}{k_B T}}}{k_B T} \cdot H \xrightarrow{\text{for } H \rightarrow 0} 0$$

for any $T \neq 0!$

- no spontaneous magnetization in $d=1$!

$$\chi(T) = \frac{e^{\frac{4J}{k_B T}}}{k_B T}$$

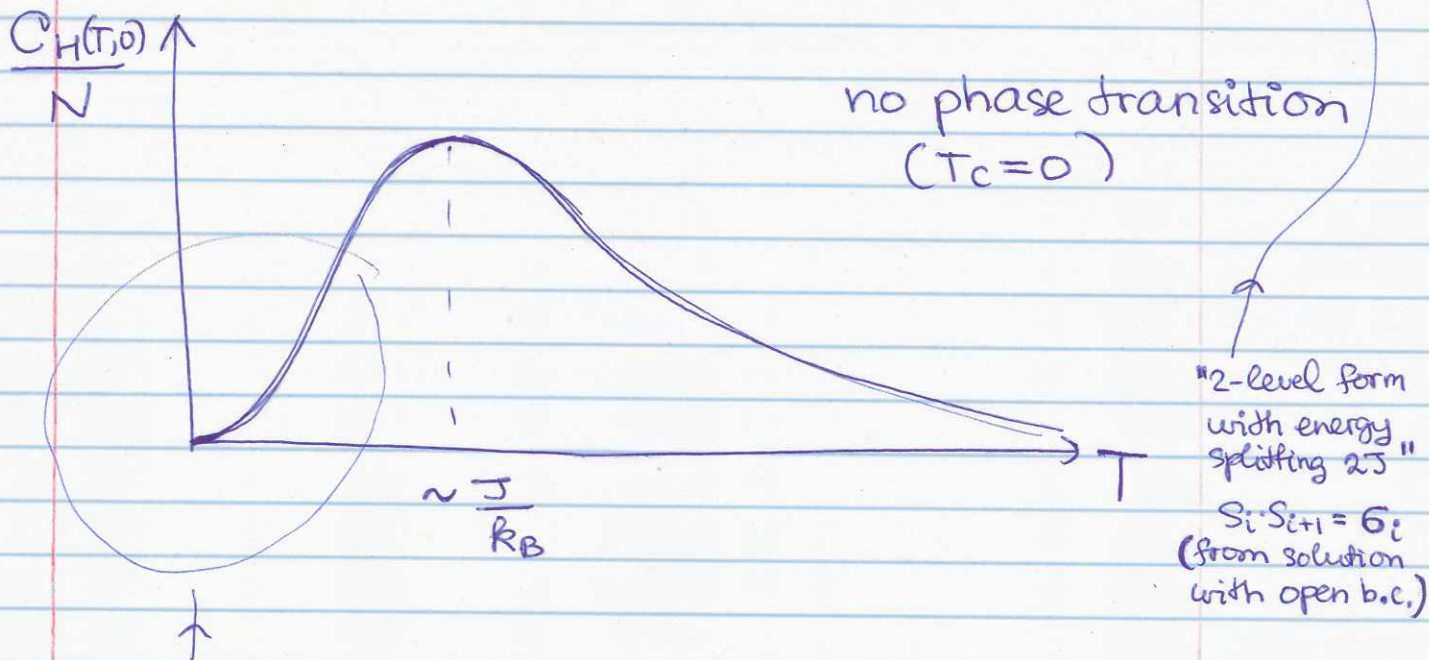
$$f(T, H=0) = -k_B T \ln(1 + e^{-2J/k_B T}) \quad \text{--- } J$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta = \frac{\text{entropy}}{\text{spin}} &= -\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = k_B \ln(1 + e^{-2J/k_B T}) + k_B T \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2J/k_B T}} \times \\ &\times e^{-2J/k_B T} \cdot (-2J) \cdot \frac{-1}{k_B T^2} = k_B \ln(1 + e^{-2J/k_B T}) + \\ &+ \frac{2J}{T} \frac{1}{e^{2J/k_B T} + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$u(T) = f + T\delta = \frac{2J}{e^{2J/k_B T} + 1}$$

energy per spin

$$\begin{aligned} C_H(T) &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial T} = \frac{2J \cdot (-1)}{(e^{2J/k_B T} + 1)^2} \cdot e^{2J/k_B T} \cdot \frac{-2J}{k_B T^2} = \\ &= k_B \cdot \left(\frac{2J}{k_B T}\right)^2 \frac{1}{(2 \cosh \frac{J}{k_B T})^2} = k_B \frac{(\frac{J}{k_B T})^2}{(\cosh \frac{J}{k_B T})^2} \end{aligned}$$



freezing out of the entropy because of correlations among spins

Absence of magnetization in 1d - domain walls!

$T=0$: $\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow$
or
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow$

domain wall $\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow$ - costs energy $2J$

$T \neq 0$: domain wall can be anywhere along the chain of size N

$\Rightarrow$ entropy $-k_B T \ln N$

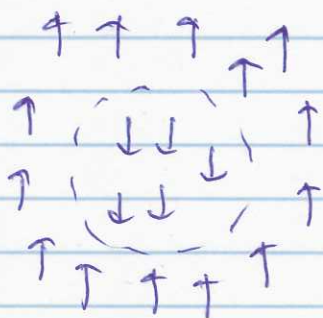
$\Rightarrow$ free energy for adding 1 domain wall:

$$2J - \underbrace{k_B T \ln N}_{\text{large!}} < 0$$

- it is advantageous to introduce domain walls into the system.

At any $T > 0$,
Domain walls "proliferate" and scramble the order!

2d



energy of domain wall $\sim 2J \times \text{perimeter}$

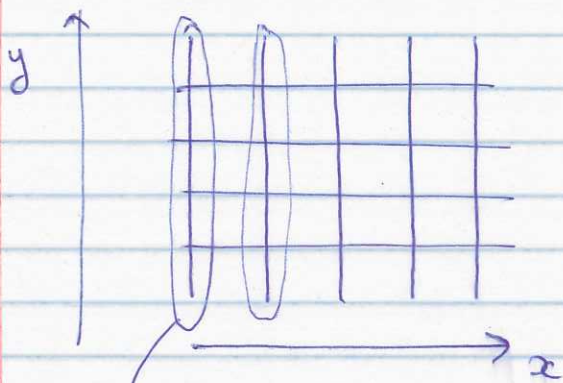
- becomes very large if the flipped domain is large

$\Rightarrow$ can have long range order at sufficiently low T .

Remarks

* n -level system — need $n \times n$ transfer matrix

* Ising model on $L \times L$ square lattice



view as $n=2^L$ -level system

L such systems arranged in chain along $\hat{x}$ -dir,
with interactions between them

$$Z = \text{Tr}(\hat{T}^L) \underset{L \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \lambda_+^L$$

where $\hat{T}$ is $2^L \times 2^L$ transfer matrix s.t.

$$\langle s_1, \dots, s_L | \hat{T} | s'_1, \dots, s'_L \rangle = \prod_i e^{\beta J s_i s'_i} \times e^{\frac{1}{2} \beta H (s_i + s'_i)} \times e^{\frac{1}{2} \beta J (s_i s_{i+1} + s'_i s'_{i+1})}$$

λ_+ - largest eigenvalue of $\hat{T}$

$H=0$.

Onsager 1944 — brute-force diagonalization of $\hat{T}$.

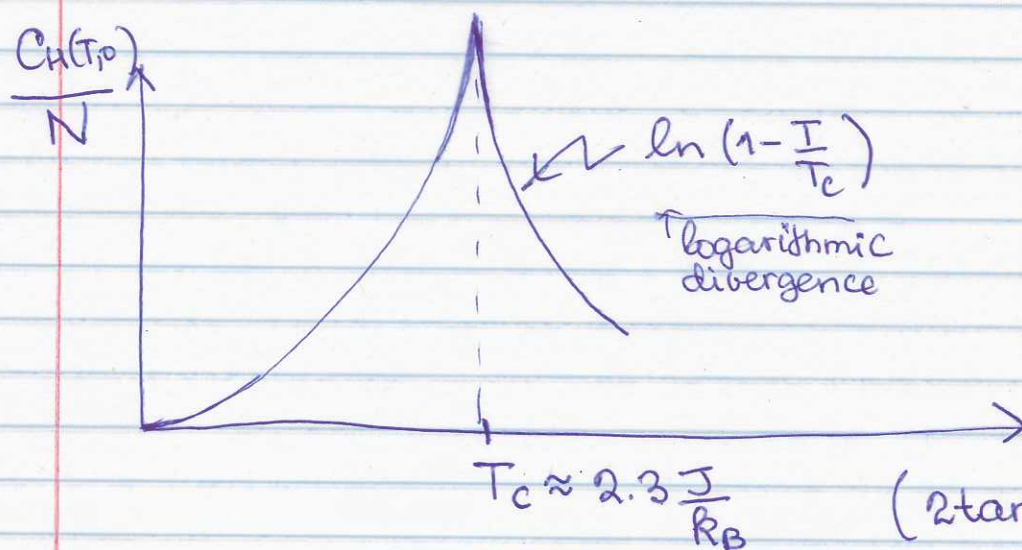
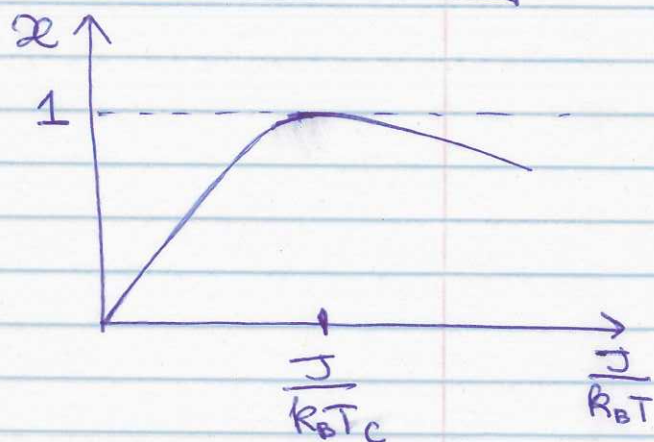
d=2 square lattice : Onsager solution

H=0

Onsager 1944

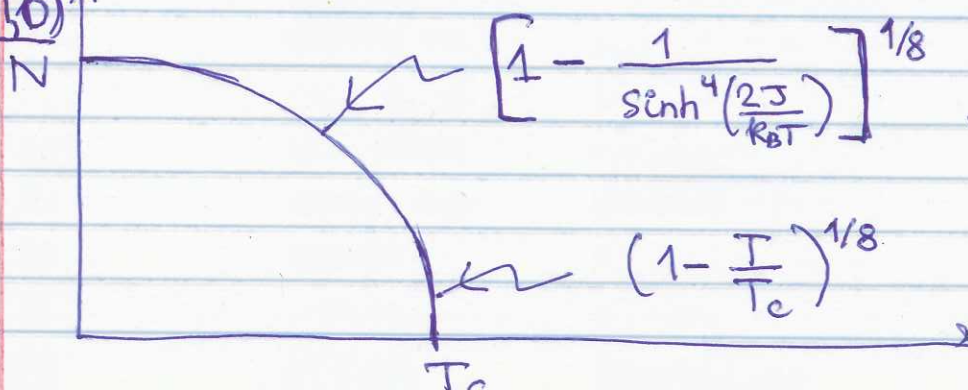
$$\frac{F(T,0)}{N} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \ln(2 \cosh(2\beta J)) - \frac{1}{2\pi\beta} \int_0^\pi d\phi \ln \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2 \sin^2 \phi})$$

$$x = \frac{2 \sinh(2\beta J)}{\cosh^2(2\beta J)}$$



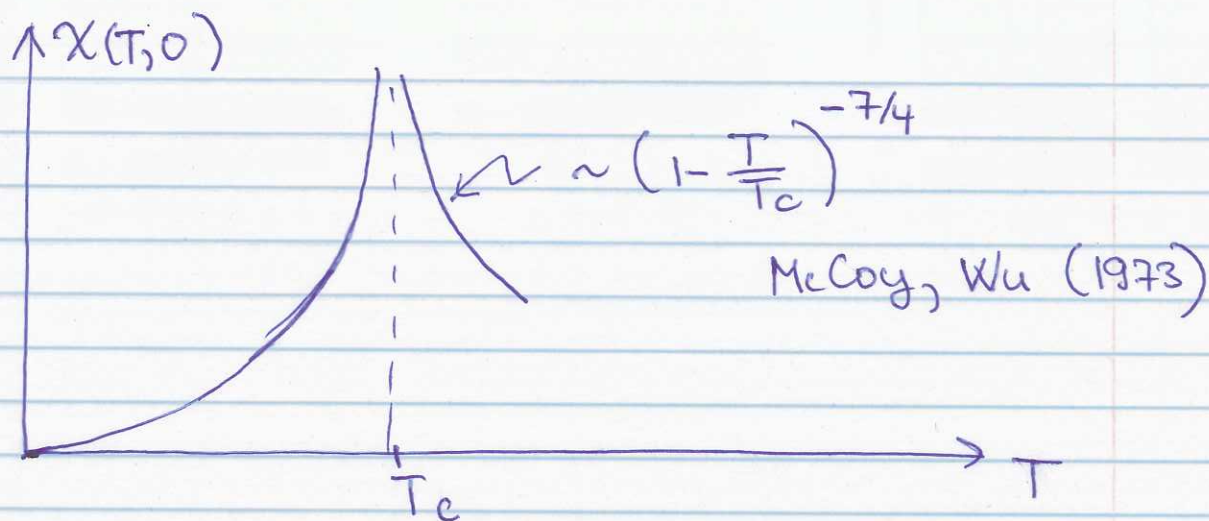
∃ phase transition

order parameter: $\frac{M(T,0)}{N}$



$$\left(2 \tanh^2 \frac{2J}{k_B T_c} = 1\right)$$

Onsager,
Yang (1952)



Remarks : * Onsager's solution was very important for several reasons. First, it showed rigorously that stat. mech. approach can describe phase transitions (singularities in the thermodynamic quantities arise upon taking $N \rightarrow \infty$ limit). It also showed that meanfield exponents are wrong:

$$\alpha_{\text{mf}} = 0$$

$$\alpha_{\text{exact}} = 0$$

$$\beta_{\text{mf}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\beta_{\text{exact}} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{mf}} = 1$$

$$\gamma_{\text{exact}} = \frac{7}{4}$$

This forced to think what is wrong w meanfield $\rightarrow$
 $\rightarrow$ fluctuations & Ginzburg criterion
 $\rightarrow$ development of theory of critical phenomena
 (Landau-Ginzburg-Wilson theory;
 scaling and renormalization theory)

* "Modern solutions" - much simpler than original
 Onsager; Yang; McCoy-Wu

- by mapping to "free fermions"

* 1+1d conformal field theory