

$$H = \sum_I h_1(I) + \sum_{\langle I, J \rangle} h_2(I, J)$$

Questions 1.2.3 → 1.2.6

Use  $\langle \dots \rangle = \frac{1}{Z_1} \sum_{\{\sigma_i\}} \dots$

this means that the summation over the  $\sigma_i$ 's is at fixed  $S_I$ 's.

$$\exp - \beta \sum_I h_1(I) \dots$$

$$Z = \sum_{\{S_I\}} Z_1 \langle e^{-\beta H_2} \rangle_1 \stackrel{\text{approx}}{\sim} \sum_{\{S_I\}} Z_1 e^{-\beta \langle H_2 \rangle_1}$$

N.v.l

$$\langle H_2 \rangle_1 = \left\langle \sum_{\langle I, J \rangle} h_2(I, J) \right\rangle_1 = -K' \sum_{\langle I, J \rangle} S_I S_J$$

$$K' = 2K \left( \frac{e^{3K} + e^{-K}}{e^{3K} + 3e^{-K}} \right)^2$$

1.2.8.  $Z(K, N, a) = (e^{3K} + 3e^{-K})^{N'} Z(K', N', a')$

$$K' = f(K)$$

$$N' = \frac{N}{b}, a' = ba$$

$$b = \sqrt{3}$$

1.2.9. Search for the fixed points of  $K' = f(K)$ .

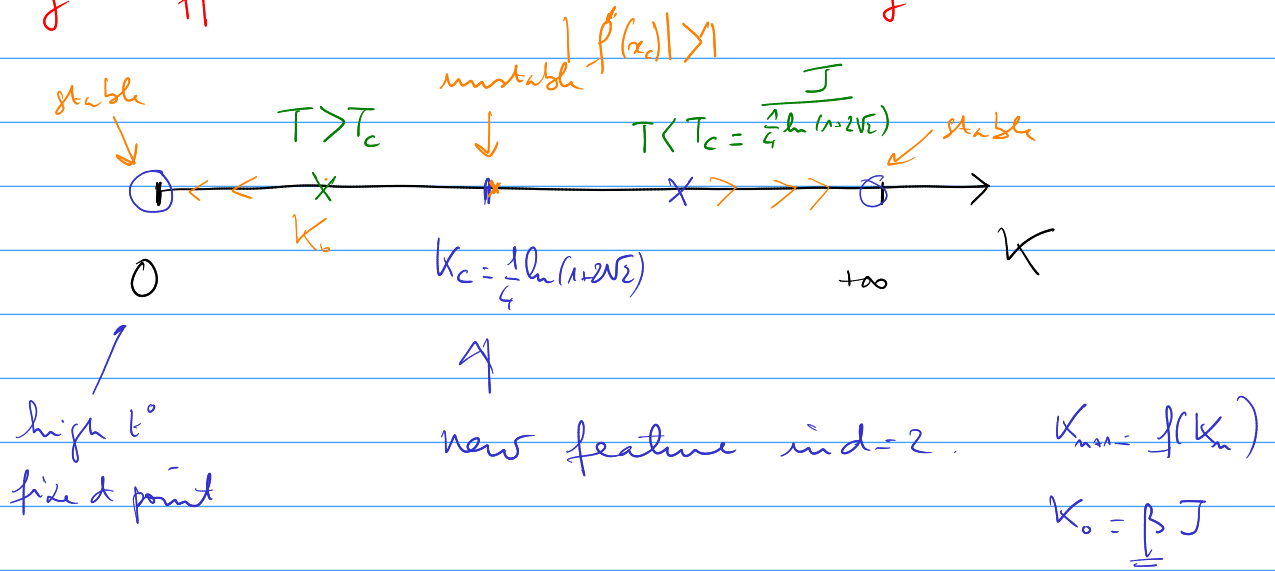
$$x \mapsto f(x) = 2x \left( \frac{e^{4x} + 1}{e^{4x} + 3} \right)^2 = x$$

Obvious fixed points  $x^* = 0$

$$x^* = +\infty$$

$$x^* = x_c = \frac{1}{4} \ln(1 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

# Big dilemma with the 1d Ising model



We denote by  $T_c$  the temp such that

$$\beta_c J = K_c = \frac{1}{4} \ln(1+2\sqrt{2}).$$

If  $T > T_c$ , we know the syst to be disordered.  
We expect, at large scales, the absence of order.  
At scales larger than  $\xi$  (correl. length) we see a  
bunch of effectively indep spins.

If  $T < T_c$ , the syst is ordered, especially if looked  
at from distances larger than  $\xi$ .

Beware,  $\xi$  is finite at  $T \neq T_c$ , and it is strictly 0  
at  $T=0$  and at  $T=\infty$ .

Comparison with mf:  $T_c^{\text{mf}} = 6 \text{ J}$

$$T_c^{\text{NVL}} = 2.98 \text{ J} < T_c^{\text{mf}}$$

$$T_c^{\text{exact}} = 3.6 \text{ J}$$

1.2.10 How about critical exponents?

$$\xi(T) = \bar{A} (T - T_c)^{-\nu} \quad T \rightarrow T_c^+$$

$$= \bar{A} (T_c - T)^{-\nu} \quad T \rightarrow T_c^-$$

Let  $\xi_n$  be the correl. length at scale  $b^n$ ,  $b = \sqrt{3}$ .

hypothesis

$$\xi_n \sim |k_n - k_c|^{-\nu}$$

on condition, of course, that  $k_0, k_1, \dots$  are close to  $k_c$ .

$$k_{n+1} = f(k_n)$$

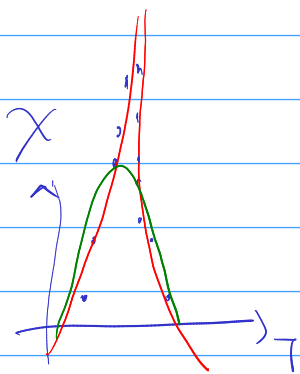
$$k_c = f(k_c)$$

$$k_{n+1} - k_c = f(k_n) - f(k_c)$$

$$\approx (k_n - k_c) f'(k_c)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{-1/\nu} \approx \sum_n^{-1/\nu} f'(k_c)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{\xi_{n+1}}{\xi_n} \right) = f'(k_c)^{-\nu} = 1/b \Rightarrow$$



$$\nu \text{ such that } b = f'(k_c)^{-\nu}$$

$$\boxed{\nu = 1.13}$$

after explicit evaluation of  $f'(k_c)$ .

$$\nu_{\text{inf}} = 1/2$$

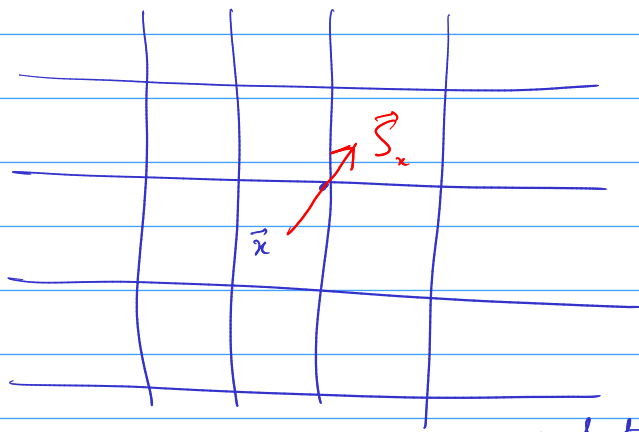
$$\nu_{\text{exact}} = 1$$

# The Kosterlitz-Thouless transition

2d,  $a =$  lattice spacing,  $L \times L$ ,  $N$  spins

$$\vec{S}_{\vec{x}} = a \text{ 2d vector} = (\cos \theta_{\vec{x}}, \sin \theta_{\vec{x}})$$

$\vec{x} \in 2d \text{ lattice}$



$$H = -J \sum_{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle} \vec{S}_{\vec{x}} \cdot \vec{S}_{\vec{y}}$$

↙ a dot product

## 2.2. Correlations at high temperatures

2.2.1. Rotating each spin by  $\theta_0$  leaves  $H$  invariant.  
The system is ds. translationally invariant

2.2.2. What is the gs?

All spins aligned in one direction, the latter being arbitrary.  
It's an infinitely degenerate gs.

2.2.3.  $H = \frac{J}{2} \sum_{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle} (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2$

In the gas, spins are aligned, locally, then  $\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}}$  is small, and

$$\bar{S}_{\vec{x}} \cdot \bar{S}_{\vec{y}} = \cos(\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}}) \simeq 1 - \frac{1}{2} (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2 + \dots$$

2.2.4.  $\langle \theta_{\vec{x}} \theta_{\vec{y}} \rangle = \frac{1}{K} G(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$

G is such that  $-\sum_{\vec{r} \sim \vec{x}, \vec{y}} [G(\vec{r} + a\vec{e}_\mu) + G(\vec{r} - a\vec{e}_\mu) - 2G(\vec{r})] = \delta_{\vec{r}, \vec{0}}$

$$Z = \int \prod_{\vec{x}} d\theta_{\vec{x}} \exp - \frac{\beta J}{2} \sum_{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle} (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2$$

Recognize a Gaussian distribution as in the (beloved) Prerequisites.

Gaussian weight  $\exp - \frac{K}{2} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\vec{y} \text{ n.n. of } \vec{x}} (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2$

$$(\theta_{\vec{x} + a\vec{e}_x} - \theta_{\vec{x}})^2 + (\theta_{\vec{x} + a\vec{e}_y} - \theta_{\vec{x}})^2 + (\theta_{\vec{x} - a\vec{e}_x} - \theta_{\vec{x}})^2 + (\theta_{\vec{x} - a\vec{e}_y} - \theta_{\vec{x}})^2$$

$$= \exp - \frac{K}{4} \sum_{\vec{x}} (\vec{\nabla} \theta)^2, \quad \vec{\nabla} \theta = \left[ \theta_{\vec{x} + a\vec{e}_x} - \theta_{\vec{x}}, \theta_{\vec{x} + a\vec{e}_y} - \theta_{\vec{x}} \right]$$

a discrete gradient

$$= \exp - \frac{K}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} (\hat{\nabla} \theta)^2 = \exp - \frac{K}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} \theta_{\vec{x}} (-\Delta_{\vec{x}} \theta_{\vec{x}})$$

where  $\Delta_{\vec{x}} \theta_{\vec{x}} =$  discrete Laplacian by parts (Abel transformation)

$$= \theta_{\vec{x} + a\vec{e}_x} + \theta_{\vec{x} - a\vec{e}_x} + \theta_{\vec{x} + a\vec{e}_y} + \theta_{\vec{x} - a\vec{e}_y} - 4\theta_{\vec{x}}$$

We know that the angles are distributed with

$$P(\{\theta_{\vec{x}}\}) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{k}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}, \vec{y}} \theta_{\vec{x}} \left[ -\Delta_{\vec{x}} \delta_{\vec{x}, \vec{y}} \right] \theta_{\vec{y}}\right]$$

↑  
Kronecker Delta

$$\langle \theta_{\vec{x}} \theta_{\vec{y}} \rangle = \frac{1}{k} \underbrace{(-\Delta^{-1})_{\vec{x}, \vec{y}}}$$

by definition, this is  $G(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$

because  $\sum_{\vec{z}} (-\Delta^{-1})_{\vec{x}, \vec{z}} \cdot G(\vec{z} - \vec{y}) = \delta_{\vec{x}, \vec{y}}$

What do I mean by  $(-\Delta^{-1})$ ?

In  $d=1$ ,

$$(\Delta)_{ij} = \delta_{i+1, j} + \delta_{i-1, j} - 2\delta_{ij}$$

$$\sum_j (\Delta)_{ij} f_j = f_{i+1} + f_{i-1} - 2f_i = \Delta f$$

Be Wise, discretize

2.2.4  $\langle \theta_{\vec{x}} \theta_{\vec{y}} \rangle = \frac{1}{k} G(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$

2.2.5.  $C(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \langle \bar{S}_{\vec{x}} \cdot \bar{S}_{\vec{y}} \rangle = \langle \cos(\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}}) \rangle$

$$C(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \text{Re} \langle e^{i(\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})} \rangle = \text{Re} \left\langle e^{i \underbrace{(\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})}_{=0}} \right\rangle = \text{Re} \left\langle e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2 \rangle_c} \right\rangle$$

because we know that the  $\theta$ 's are Gaussian, so that the cumulant expansion stops at order 2.

$$\langle (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2 \rangle_c = \langle (\theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}})^2 \rangle - \langle \theta_{\vec{x}} - \theta_{\vec{y}} \rangle^2$$

$$C(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \cancel{R_x} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle (\theta_x - \theta_y)^2 \rangle}$$

$\langle e^{i\lambda\theta} \rangle = e^{i\lambda\langle\theta\rangle + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda^2)\langle\theta^2\rangle}$   
 $\langle\theta^2\rangle = \frac{1}{-K}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (\theta_x - \theta_y)^2 \rangle &= \langle \theta_x \theta_x \rangle + \langle \theta_y \theta_y \rangle - 2 \langle \theta_x \theta_y \rangle \\ &= \frac{2}{K} [G(\vec{0}) - G(\vec{x} - \vec{y})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow C(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \exp\left(\frac{G(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) - G(\vec{0})}{K}\right)$$

$$G(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) \simeq -\frac{1}{2\pi} \ln \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|$$

$$C(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|^{-\frac{1}{2\pi K}}$$

Hugely different from the Ising model  
(no exponential decay!)

Scale invariant, but with a nonuniversal  
decay exponent ( $\frac{1}{2\pi K}$ ).

There is no spontaneous magnetization because

$$\langle \vec{S}_x \cdot \vec{S}_y \rangle \xrightarrow{\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\| \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

2.2.6 A useful identity:

$$\int \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} \cos(\theta_1 - \theta) \cos(\theta - \theta_2) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

(to do on your own!)



2.2.7.  $\mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \#$  of shortest paths on the lattice connecting  $\bar{x}$  to  $\bar{y}$



$$\mathcal{N}(\bar{0}, \bar{r}) = \binom{|r_x| + |r_y|}{|r_x|} < 2^{|r_x| + |r_y|}$$

$$(1+1)^{|r_x| + |r_y|} = 2^{|r_x| + |r_y|} = \sum_{n=0}^{|r_x| + |r_y|} \binom{|r_x| + |r_y|}{n}$$

a sum of  $> 0$  terms

2.2.8.  $Z = \int \prod_{\bar{x}} \frac{d\theta_{\bar{x}}}{2\pi} \underbrace{e^{K \sum_{\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle} \cos(\theta_{\bar{x}} - \theta_{\bar{y}})}}_{\prod_{\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle} e^{K \cos(\theta_{\bar{x}} - \theta_{\bar{y}})}}$

$$1 + K \cos(\theta_{\bar{x}} - \theta_{\bar{y}}) + \frac{K^2}{2} \dots$$

if  $K \rightarrow 0$   
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{if } K \rightarrow 0 \\ T \rightarrow \infty \end{array} \right\}$

Use the trick of 2.2.6 to arrive at 2.2.7 and then to Eq (5) of the text.

$$P(\{\sigma_i\}) = \prod_i \delta_{\sigma_i, \pm 1}$$

$$G_{ij} = \langle \sigma_i \sigma_j \rangle - \langle \sigma_i \rangle \langle \sigma_j \rangle \sim \frac{e^{-|i-j|/\xi}}{|i-j|^{d-2+\eta}}$$

~~Duality~~ Kramers - Wannier duality