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Notice that we
System of two varieties (see homework.

$$\begin{array}{r} \epsilon_{8\sqrt{2}} = 26,383322 \\ \epsilon_{4\sqrt{2}} = 22,971028 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$U = -\pi J_K [\log 8\sqrt{2} - \log 4\sqrt{2}]$$

$$\Delta U = -\pi J_e \cdot \log 2. = 3.41279$$

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Conclusion

$$g_2(r) \sim \exp(-k_B T / 2\pi J) \\ \text{Spin waves.}$$

$\pi(v)$
↑
distance of
vortices

$$\sim \left(\frac{r_{ij}}{a} \right)^{-\beta \pi J_R} \\ \sim r^{-\frac{1}{T} \pi J_R}$$

Exact results:

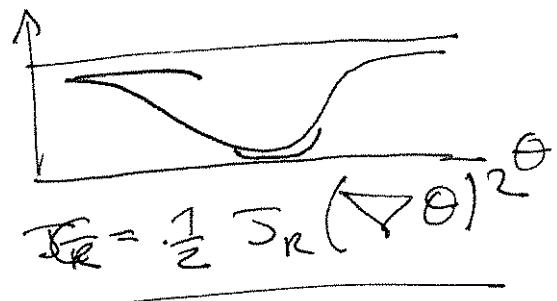
Froehlich & Spencer 1981: Rigorous proof of the existence of the BKT Phase.

Nonuniversality

$2J$ fixes energy scale:

For $k_B T \gg 2J$

$T \text{ FIRST ORDER} \sim J$
 $\frac{T}{k_B T} \propto J_R$



Domain

Domany, Schide, Svendson (1984).

*Lecture 10. Kosterlitz-Thouless physics in two dimensions: The XY model
(Transitions without order parameters 1/2)*

Lecture 11

Kosterlitz-Thouless physics in two dimensions: KTHNY Melting theory (Transitions without order parameters 2/2)

Physics in two dimensions -

Literature:

Kosterlitz 2016

Kosterlitz & Thouless 1973

Kosterlitz 1974

Hermia 1968

HALPERIN
NELSON 1978

Young 1979 1) a) 1973 Kosterlitz-Thouless paper \rightarrow Motivation

Nelson &
Kosterlitz 1977 b) The Crystalline State.

Kosterlitz Thouless Physics 2/2

Two-dimensional solid and superfluids

At low temperature,
spin waves
is all there is

2) Review of Lecture 7.:

Two harmonic models:

I harmonic approximation to XY model
Wegner 1973

$$\leftarrow \text{1D: } g(v) = \langle \cos(\phi_0 - \phi_r) \rangle \sim \exp(-k_B T \frac{|v|}{2\pi})$$

$$\text{NB Vortices} \quad \leftarrow \text{2D: } g(v) \sim e^{-k_B T}$$

$\propto \int \frac{1}{R^2} dR$

$$\text{3D: } g(v) \underset{r \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \exp(-k_B T f_3(v)/I) \dots$$

II HARMONIC SOLID

Jancovici
(1973)

The harmonic solid
has no phase transition,
but it does
logarithmic correlations
in 2d

At low temperature,
phonon is all there
is.

$$\langle u_k^2 \rangle w_k^2 \sim k_B T$$

$$\langle u_k^2 \rangle \sim \frac{k_B T}{w_k^2} \sim \frac{k_B T}{\frac{1}{2} k^2} \sim \frac{k_B T}{k^2}$$

Peierls, Landau

JANCO: It is pointed out that the classical two-dimensional harmonic solid exhibits an infinite generalized susceptibility at low temperature, although there is no long-range order and no phase transition.

$$\langle \Delta R^2 \rangle \sim k_B T \int \frac{1 - \cos k R}{k^2} d^d k$$

$$\propto k_B T \int \frac{1}{k^2} k^d k^{d-3} dk$$

$$\propto \frac{k^2 R}{k \log R}$$

$$\begin{cases} d=1 \quad k \text{ const} \\ d=2 \end{cases} \quad d \geq 3$$

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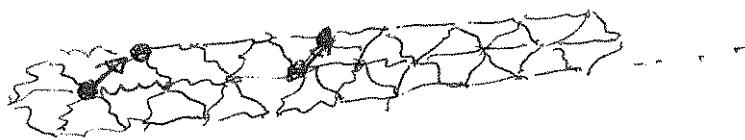
[ND. MERRIN (1968)]

CRYSTALLINE ORDER IN TWO DIMENSIONS

$$\langle (\vec{u}(\vec{R}) - \vec{u}(\vec{R}'))^2 \rangle \sim \log |\vec{R} - \vec{R}'|$$

but

$$[\vec{r}(\vec{R} + \vec{a}_i) - \vec{r}(\vec{R})][\vec{r}(\vec{R}' + \vec{a}_i) - \vec{r}(\vec{R}')] \underset{\text{const}}{=}$$

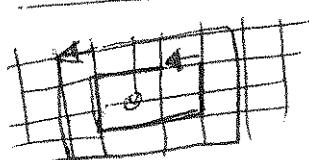


This shows that the harmonic solid, in two dimensions has quasi-long-range positional order but TRUE long-range orientational order.

[Kosterlitz-Thouless (1973).]

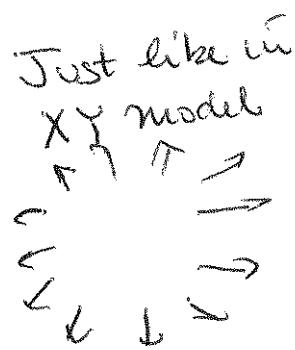
The "paper"
but quite buggy.

Starting point: Dislocations:



When there is
a single disto-
(atin), the strain

Adislocation
in 2d is
a point.
(But with a
Burgers vector,
not in a lattice
vector)



Free dislocation:
no resistance to
shear.

moves
up to
right.
Moves
dislocati-
on up.

[1934]: Plastic deformations are to be explained in terms of dislocations.
Dislocations are the "carriers" of plastic deformation.

(3)

The energy of an isolated dislocation with Burgers vector of magnitude b via a system of area A

$$E_{\text{disloc}} \sim \frac{\sqrt{b^2(1+\epsilon)}}{4\pi} \log \frac{A}{A_0}$$

Strain produced is inversely proportional to the distance from the dislocation, just like for the XY model.

In XY model,
the KT "theory"
was
essentially

Nobel-prize
winning,
but very
wrong.



This gives the critical temperature of the solid-liquid phase transition, in a similar way as it gives the XY transition temperature.

MAIN TRICK OF KT:

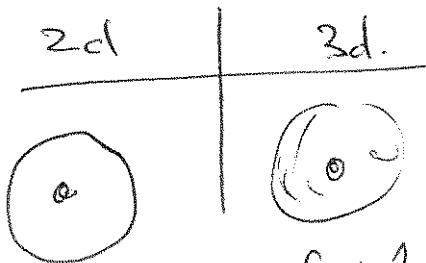
~~TRANSFORM~~

Formulate everything in terms

$$\text{of } U(r_{ij}) = \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}} \log(r_{ij}).$$

As we did
last week.

Contours



$$E \sim \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$N(r) \sim \frac{1}{r}$$

$$2\pi r E = 2\pi$$

$$E \sim \frac{1}{r}$$

$$N(r) \sim \log r$$

This is called
Coulomb potential
in 2 dimensions.

2 dimensional Coulomb gas.

And it really describes
KT physics of the XY
model, as it is this
way.

Young (1979) \rightarrow

Melting and the vector
Coulomb gas in two dimensions

In the Kosturitz-Thouless theory
the harmonic approximation is
exact at all temperatures below
 T_c , provided that one only
investigates flux

2]

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_D$$

↑ ↑
phonon field dislocation

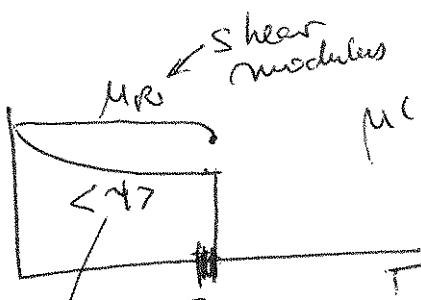
1] A dislocation can be
regarded as a tightly
coupled pair of
disclinations HN 78

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_D = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_{R, R'} & \vec{K}_1 \vec{b}(\vec{R}) \vec{b}(\vec{R}') \ln \left(\frac{|\vec{R}-\vec{R}'|}{a} \right) \\ & + K_2 \cdot \frac{\vec{b}(\vec{R}) \cdot (\vec{R}-\vec{R}') \cdot \vec{b}(\vec{R}') (\vec{R}-\vec{R}')}{{(\vec{R}-\vec{R}')^2}}\end{aligned}$$

Theory of dislocations -

NABARRO
1967

$K_2 = 0$: object of Nelson 1978
(initial study by)



orientation
order
parameter

Note that
the orientation
is not dis-
rupted.

* Picture of a free dislocation

to show in - - -

* Picture of a dislocation pair

Above T_m , there are free dislocations.

This means that to perform shear, one can
create pairs of dislocations.

More detailed study shows that the
correlations are not algebraically decaying - - -

Hexatic Phase

\rightarrow (Halperin, Nelson 1978).

Free dislocations destroy positional order

$$H_{\text{hex}} \sim \frac{1}{2} K_F \int [(\nabla \theta(r))]^2 d^2r.$$

Frank constant

It is this phase that is analogous to the low temperature phase of the XY model.

If behind this is a hexatic-lipid transition which is no longer...

+ Picture of a negative disclination (7 neighbors)

+ Picture of a positive disclination (5 neighbors).

(6)

Is the KTHNY scenario
truly realized in two-dimensional
particle systems?

⇒ hard disks: No

⇒ soft disks: It depends
+ improvement

Lecture 12

The renormalization group - an introduction

The present chapter is inspired by the paper by Maris and Kadanoff [23]. Let's resume the situation of equilibrium statistical mechanics, and second-order phase transitions:

- Phase transitions are non-analyticities of the free energy with respect to parameters as the temperature, the magnetic field, etc. This is what we studied in earlier chapters using the transfer matrix. We studied in detail how these non-analyticities can arise from the transfer-matrix formulation.
- Landau theory states that the free energy *is* analytic in parameters such as M , ∇M , T , H , etc. The mechanism of how nature constructs a non-analyticity from an analytic function is symmetry breaking: The correct value of the free energy is the minimum of the analytic function. Above T_c , for example, this minimum is at $M = 0$, but below T_c , this is no longer the case.
- In the chapter on the Ginzburg criterium, we have seen that the predictions of mean-field theory (in other words, of Landau theory) are self-consistent above a critical dimension, but below this dimension they are not consistent, and therefore they are wrong. This has to be understood.
- Finally, there is the subject of universality: Many microscopic models have the same critical exponents, which is a subject to be understood.

Revolutionary clarification was brought about by the renormalization group.

Let us take the example of the one-dimensional Ising model, with the partition function

$$Z = \sum_{\sigma} \exp [K (\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_4 + \dots)] \quad (12.1)$$

This can be written as

$$= \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_3, \sigma_5 \dots} \{ \exp [k (\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)] + \exp [-k (\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)] \} \{ \exp [k (\sigma_3 + \sigma_5)] + \exp [-k (\sigma_3 + \sigma_5)] \}, \quad (12.2)$$

where we have written out explicitly the \pm terms of σ_2 , σ_4 , etc.

Each of the terms in the above product equals terms as in $2 \cosh[k(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)]$, which can be written as $f(k) \exp(k' \sigma_1 \sigma_3)$, where $f(k)$ does not depend on σ_1 nor on σ_3 . The solution of this little equation is

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_3 : e^{2k} + \exp - 2k = f e^{k'} \quad (12.3)$$

$$\sigma_1 = -\sigma_3 : 2 = f e^{-k'} \quad (12.4)$$

$$(12.5)$$

with the solution $f^2 = 2[\exp(2k) + \exp(-2k)] = 4 \cosh(2k)$ so that we have $f = 2 \cosh^{1/2}(2k)$. Entering this into the previous equation, we find $1 = \cosh^{1/2}(2k) \exp(-k')$ or, in other words:

$$k' = \frac{1}{2} \log [\cosh(2k)] \quad (12.6)$$

... and we have the exact relationship:

$$Z = f(k)^{N/2} e^{k'(\sigma_1 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_5 + \sigma_5 \sigma_7 + \dots)} \quad (12.7)$$

The structure of this equation is $Z(N, k) = f(k)^{N/2} Z(N/2, k')$. Let us now write $\log Z = N\xi$, which takes us to

$$\xi(k) = \frac{1}{2} \log f(k) = \frac{1}{2} \xi(k') \quad (12.8)$$

$$\xi(k') = 2\xi(k) - \log [2 \cosh^{1/2}(2k)] \quad (12.9)$$

If the partition function is known for one value of k (or for the temperature T), then it is known for another value of k , namely k' , where it corresponds to the identical Ising model on a twice larger lattice. From eq. (??), we see that $k' = \frac{1}{2} \log [\cosh(2k)] < k$ for $k > 0$. This means that the “flow goes towards smaller k ” or, in other words, towards $T \rightarrow \infty$.

It is interesting that we may write the recursion relation for the free energy per particle going from $k' \rightarrow k$. This leads us to

$$\xi(k) = \frac{1}{2} \log 2 + \frac{1}{2} k' + \frac{1}{2} \xi k' \quad (12.10)$$

Now, at $k' = 0.01$, we can expect that the free energy per particle equals $\log 2$ to extremely good approximation. We then deduce the free energy per particle at temperature $k = 0.100334$, etc. where we find that the free energy per particle is 0.698147 instead of the exact value 0.698172, and eventually, at $k = 2.702146$, we find a $\xi = 2.706633$ instead of the exact 2.706634.

The flow diagram which gives k' as a function of k shows how k moves under recursions, and we notice that there are only two points where $k' = k$, namely 0 and ∞ . $k = 0$ is a stable fix point and $k = \infty$ an unstable one.

We now use the same procedure for the two-dimensional Ising model, leaving out every other spin in the operation that resembles our approach in one dimensions. Applying a diagonal elimination, at each spin (that we call 0), we have four neighboring spins $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4$.

$$e^{k(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4)} + e^{-k(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4)} \quad (12.11)$$

Now it would be great if one could write this in terms of $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ and $\sigma_2\sigma_3$ and so on, but this is impossible. What is possible is to write

$$Z = f(k)^{N/2} \sum \exp \left(k_1 \sum_{nn} \sigma_p \sigma_q + k_2 \sum_{nnn} \sigma_p \sigma_q + k_3 \sum_{plaquette} \sigma_p \sigma_q \sigma_r \sigma_s \right) \quad (12.12)$$

where

$$f(k) = 2 \cosh^{1/2}(2k) \cosh^{1/8}(4k) \quad (12.13)$$

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{4} \log [\cosh(4k)] \quad (12.14)$$

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{8} \log [\cosh(4k)] \quad (12.15)$$

$$k_3 = \frac{1}{8} \log [\cosh(4k)] - \frac{1}{2} \log [\cosh(2k)] \quad (12.16)$$

(Here we see that k_1 is twice larger than k_2 , because the nn terms arise from two plaquettes rather than from a single one.)

We see that on a larger scale, the Ising model on a two-dimensional square lattice is not described through an Ising model.

What to do?

1/ we could simply neglect the values of k_2 and of k_3 , in order to force that on the larger scale, the Ising model is once again described by an Ising model. This leads to the recursion:

$$k' = \frac{1}{4} \log [\cosh(4k)] \quad (12.17)$$

which, when compared with eq. (??), gives the same flow as the one-dimensional Ising model, and leads to the absence of a phase transition.

A much more interesting (but ad-hoc) case is realized as follows: See that k_1 and k_2 are ferromagnetic. Therefore, let us simply add the generated nnn interaction to the new nn interaction (there are as many nearest neighbors as there are next-nearest neighbor interactions). This leaves us with

$$k' = k_1 + k_2 \quad (12.18)$$

$$= \frac{3}{8} \log [\cosh(4k)] \quad (12.19)$$

Note that $3/8 > 1/4$. Solving for the fixed point $k = k'$ leaves us with

$$k = \frac{1}{4} \cosh^{-1} [\exp(frac{8}{3}k)] = 0.506981 \quad (12.20)$$

which compares favorably with the exact value 0.44069. The solution with adds k_1 and k_2 is deceptively simple, and not very good physics. In fact, this is the starting point of what is called “real-space renormalization”, and of the renormalization in general.

It is also interesting, as was done by Wilson 1975, to compute the values of $k_1 = 1.00376$, $k_2 = 0.137327$, and $k_3 = -0.035960$ at the exactly known critical point.

Here we have that:

Lecture 12. The renormalization group - an introduction

- Singularities in the free energy correspond to nontrivial unstable fixed points of the RG flow.
- Critical exponents correspond to the linearized RG flow close to the fixed point.
- Universality means that the behavior of the system described by the fixpoint of the recursion relation (or a differential equation) close to the fixed point.

Further reading is Kadanoff and Houghton 1975, and especially Wilson in his 1975 RMP[24] where, instead of 4 spins, he used 15 spins.

Renormalization Group, an Introduction

MARISZ Kadanoff ^{Kadanoff} Reminder:

ASP 1978

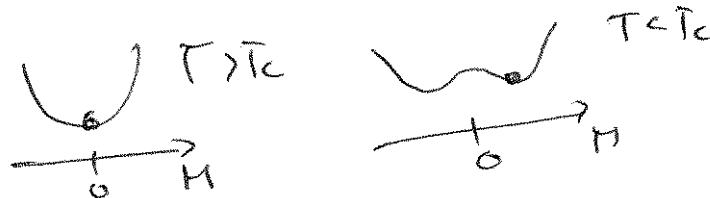
¹⁹⁶⁶

PLischke + Bergman Wilson 1971 * Phase transition as non-analyticity
Wilson RMP... 1975
Wilson RMP 1983

of free energy with temperature,
magnetic field, etc. $\xrightarrow{\text{TRANSFER MATRIX}}$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{Exact solutions}}$

* Landau theory:

Free energy is analytic in T, \vec{H} , T iff
non-analyticity stems from



- * Above & critical predictions of MFT are correct, below they are not

* Universality:

Many models have the same exponents, how to explain

Example: One-dimensional Ising model:

$$Z = \sum_{\{\sigma\}} \exp [K(\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_4 + \sigma_4 \sigma_5 + \dots)]$$

$$= \sum_x \left[\exp [K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)] + \exp [-K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)] \right] \times \\ \left[\exp [K(\sigma_3 + \sigma_5)] + \exp [-K(\sigma_3 + \sigma_5)] \right]$$

Write $\exp[iK(2 \cosh [K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)])] = f(a) \cdot \exp [K^2 \sigma_1 \sigma_3]$.

\downarrow
not depend on $\sigma_1 \sigma_3$

Solution:

$$\sigma_1 = 1 = \sigma_3$$

$$\frac{e^{2K} + e^{-2K}}{2} = f \exp K'$$

$$\Rightarrow f^2 = 2 [\exp(2K) + \exp(-2K)] = 4 \cosh(2u)$$

$$f = 2 \cdot \cosh^{1/2}(2K)$$

$$1 = \cosh^{1/2}(2K) \exp(-K')$$

$$\exp(K') = \cosh^{1/2}(2K)$$

$$K' = \frac{1}{2} \log(\cosh(2u)) \quad *$$

$$Z = f(K)^{N/2} e^{K'(\sigma_1\sigma_3 + \sigma_3\sigma_5 + \sigma_5\sigma_7 + \dots)}$$

$$Z(N, K) = f(K)^{N/2} Z(N/2, K')$$

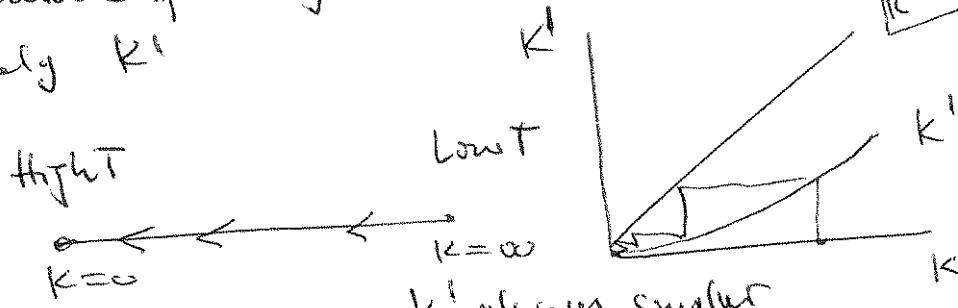
↑
Original partition
function

$$d\ln Z = N dK$$

$$\Downarrow f(K) = \frac{1}{2} \log f(K) + \frac{1}{2} g(K')$$

$$g(K') = 2 g(K) = \log(2 \cosh^{1/2}(2K)).$$

If the partition function is known for one value of K ($\propto T$), then it is known for any other value of K , namely K'



K' always smaller than K . This means "Flow goes towards $T \rightarrow \infty$ "

Practical Matters: One can
write the recursion relation in the other way

$$\frac{1}{2} \cosh^{-1} \exp^{(2K')} = K.$$

↙ Using

$$\xi(K) = \frac{1}{2} \log 2 + \frac{1}{2} K' + \frac{1}{2} f(K').$$

$$K \leftarrow K'$$

~~for~~

$$K' \approx 0.01$$

$$\xi(0.01) \approx \log 2.$$

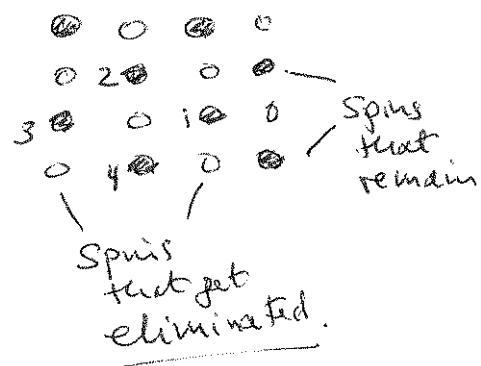
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$$K = 0.100334$$

$$K = 0.01.$$


Let's use the same procedure
for the two-dimensional Ising model

$$Z = \sum \dots e^{\frac{K}{4} \sum_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j}$$



$$e^{-K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4)} + e^{-K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4)}$$

$$\prod_{\text{plaquettes}} 2 \cosh(K(\underbrace{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4}_{\text{sums of spins around plaquette}}))$$

Just as before, where we wrote

$$2 \cosh(K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)) = f(k) \exp(K' \sigma_1 \sigma_3).$$

We now write

$$\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4 \text{ in terms of}$$

$$1, \sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_4 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_2 \sigma_4 + \sigma_3 \sigma_4$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_4$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4)} + e^{-K(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3 + \sigma_4)} = \\ f \exp \left[K_2 \frac{1}{2} K_1 (\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_4 + \sigma_4 \sigma_1) + K_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_3 + \dots \right]$$

$$f(k) = 2 \cosh e^{4k}$$

$$K_1 = \frac{1}{4} \log \cosh(4k)$$

$$K_2 = \frac{1}{8} \log \cosh(4k)$$

$$K_3 = \frac{1}{8} \log \cosh(4k) - \frac{1}{2} \log \cosh(2k)$$

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$$f(k) = 2 \cosh^{1/2}(2k) \cosh^{1/8}(4k)$$

$$K_1 = \frac{1}{4} \log \cosh 4k$$

$$K_2 = \frac{1}{8} \log \cosh(4k)$$

$$K_3 = \frac{1}{8} \log \cosh(4k) - \frac{1}{2} \log \cosh(2k)$$

$$Z = f(k)^{N/2} \sum \exp \left(K_1 \sum_{nn} \sigma_p \sigma_q + K_2 \sum_{nun} \sigma_p \sigma_q \right. \\ \left. + K_3 \sum_{sq} \sigma_p \sigma_q \sigma_s \sigma_q \right).$$

There is a difference in

K_1 is twice larger than K_2 , because
the nn terms arrive for two plaquettes.

We obtain from a hamiltonian with
 nn interactions \rightarrow hamiltonian with
 $nn, nnn + sq$ interactions.

What to do?

(1) Simply ignore K_2, K_3 .

$$\rightarrow K' = \frac{1}{4} \log \cosh(4k)$$

(compare, earlier $\frac{1}{2} \log \cosh(2k)$)

\rightarrow  Absence of
phase transition.

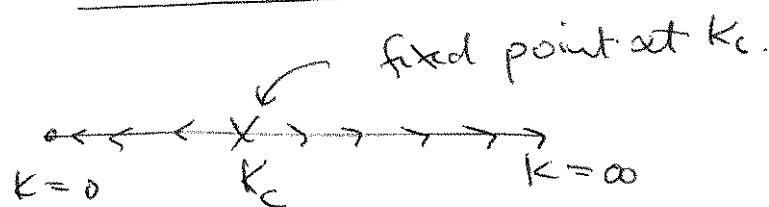
Better result:

K_1 and K_2 are ferromagnetic.
Therefore, let us simply add the generated nn interaction to the new nn interaction (There are as many nearest-neighbors as next-nearest neighbors interactions!).

$$K' = K_1 + K_2.$$

Ad hoc

$$= \frac{3}{2} \log \cosh(4K).$$



Solving for fixed point: $k \rightarrow \tilde{k}$

$$\tilde{k} = \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{arccosh} [\exp \frac{8}{3} k']. = 0.5069 \text{ Pi.}$$

It is at this point that the correlation function is infinite, and that one has an infinite correlation length.

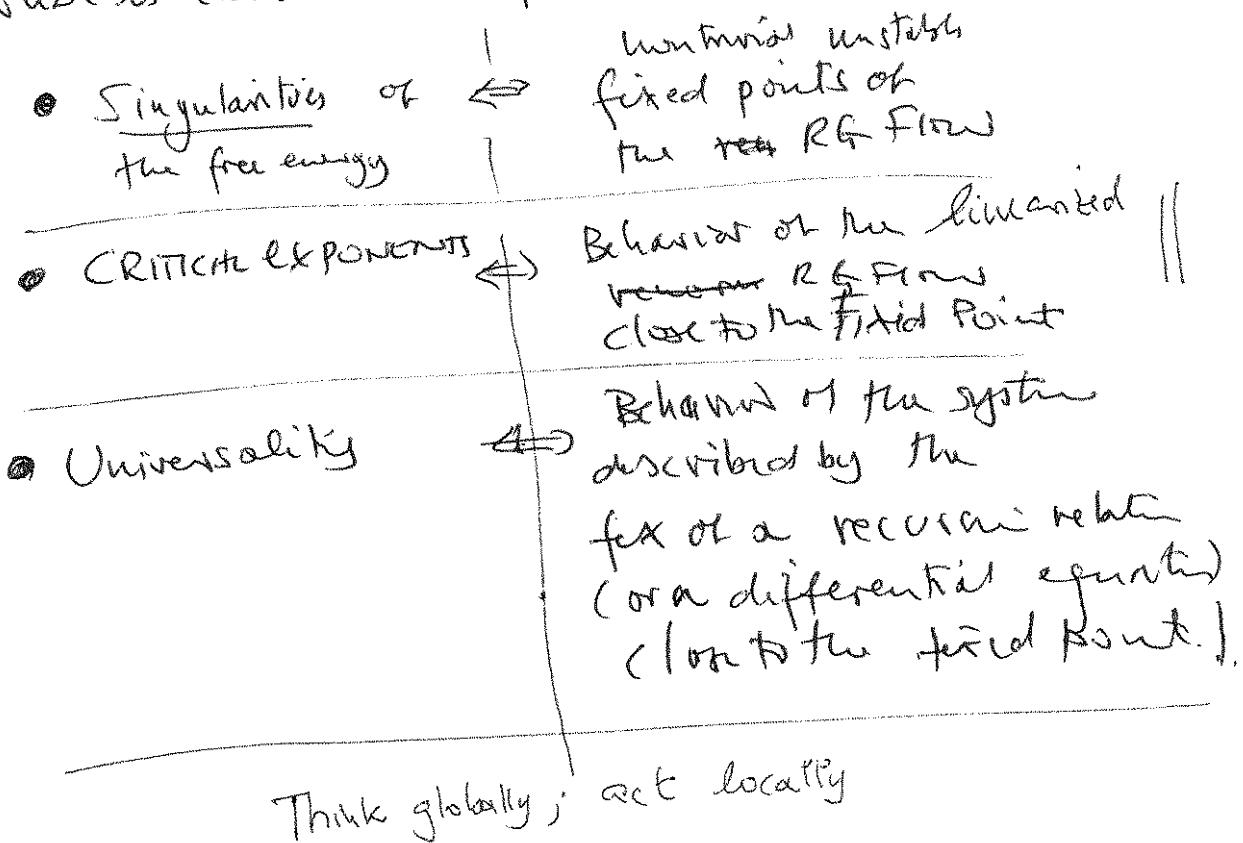
A fixed point can only appear when

the

In Stat Mechanics, a fixed point
A renormalization ...

Solution which adds K_1 and K_2 is deceptively simple.

In fact, this is the starting point of what is called "Real-Space renormalization".



Further reading:

18.

Kadnoff & Houghton 1975

And especially Wilson RMP 1975



Instead of using 4 spins

↙
15 spins in the 2d
Ising model

↙
15 spins + 65000 configurations

Exact exponents to 92%.

```
import math
K0 = 1.0
Knn = 2.0
for k in [-1, 1]:
    for l in [-1, 1]:
        for m in [-1, 1]:
            for n in [-1, 1]:
                S0 = 1.0
                S2 = k * l + k * m + k * n + l * m + l * n + m * n
                S4 = k * l * m * n
                L0 = (2.0 * K0 + math.log(2.0) + math.log(math.cosh(4.0 * Kn)) / 8.0
+
                    math.log(math.cosh(2.0 * Kn)) / 2.0)
                L2 = math.log(math.cosh(4.0 * Kn)) / 8.0
                L4 = math.log(math.cosh(4.0 * Kn)) / 8.0 - math.log(math.cosh(2.0 * K
nn)) / 2.0
                first_term = 2.0 * math.exp(2.0 * K0) * \
                            math.cosh(Knn * (k + l + m + n) )
                second_term = math.exp(L0 * S0 + L2 * S2 + L4 * S4)
                print first_term, second_term
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Lecture 13

Quantum statistics 1/2: Ideal Bosons

Lecture 14

**Quantum statistics 2/2: ^4He and the
3D Heisenberg model,
Non-classical rotational inertia**

Lecture 15

The Fluctuation–Dissipation theorem (an introduction)

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