

Tricritical Properties of Antiferromagnetic Ising Model on the Square Lattice

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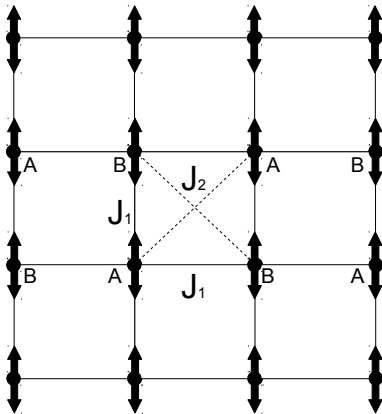


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Hamiltonian of the model

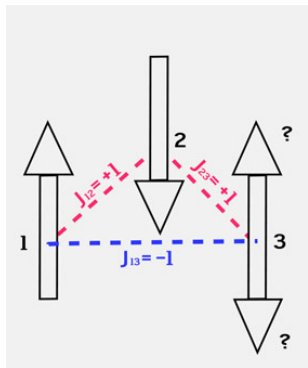
$$\mathcal{H} = -J_1 \sum_{NN} s_i^A s_j^B - J_2 \left(\sum_{NNN} s_i^A s_k^A + \sum_{NNN} s_j^B s_l^B \right) - h \left(\sum_{i \in A} s_i^A + \sum_{j \in B} s_j^B \right),$$

$$s_i \in \{\pm 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad J_1 < 0, J_2 < 0$$



Introduction

- frustration effect for some ratio $J_1/J_2 \rightarrow$ non zero entropy at $T = 0$



- enhanced magnetocaloric effect (change of $H \Rightarrow$ change of T)
O.V.Lounasmaa 1974

- we restrict to the case of zero external field case $H = 0$
- **main goal:** construction of the phase diagram
- study limitations of the exponential (differential) operator technique
Taggart, Fittipaldi 1982
- Monte Carlo simulations to confirm our results

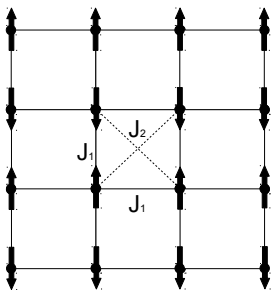
- introduction of dimensionless effective parameters

$$\alpha = \frac{J_2}{|J_1|}, \quad t = \frac{k_B T}{|J_1|}, \quad h = \frac{H}{k_B T}$$

- expected phases are
 - a) Antiferromagnetic (AF) phase - small α , low temperatures $t \ll 1$
 - b) Paramagnetic phase - high temperatures $t \gg 1$
 - c) Superantiferromagnetic (SAF) phase - $|J_2| \gg 1$

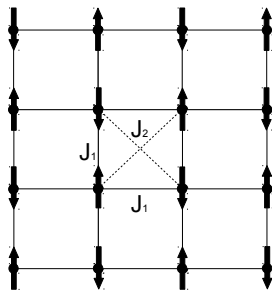
Ground state $T = 0$

SAF phase

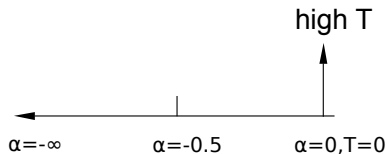


$$\frac{E_{SAF}}{N|J_1|} = 2\alpha$$

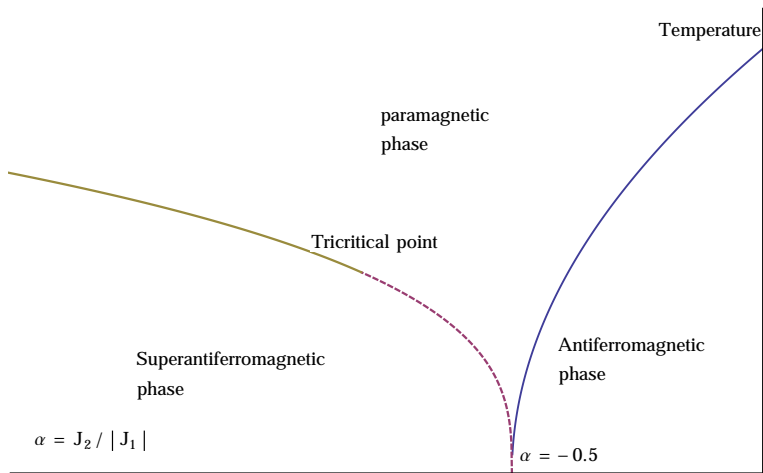
AF phase



$$\frac{E_{AF}}{N|J_1|} = -2(1 + \alpha)$$



Phase diagram - general expectation



Effective-field theory with correlations

- improved mean field theory
- use of differential operator technique **Honmura & Kaneyoshi 1978**

$$\exp\left(\lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) f(x)|_{x=0} = f(\lambda)$$

- in expressions like

$$\left\langle \exp\left(\beta J s_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) \right\rangle \dots$$

trace over spin variable s_i can be performed

- truncation procedure -
 - 1) at level of sublattice magnetization $\langle s_i \rangle$
 - 2) local energy $\langle s_i s_j \rangle$
 - 3) triple functions $\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle$, and so on.

Effective-field theory with correlations

- depending on the phase type \rightarrow set of coupled equations for sublattice magnetizations (or higher correlation functions) can be obtained
- coupled equations for sublattice magnetizations $m_\alpha \equiv \langle s_g^i \rangle$ ($i = A$ or B) for AF phase

$$m_\alpha = \left[A_x(1)A_y(2) + B_x(1)B_y(2) + m_B \left(A_x(1)B_y(2) + A_y(2)B_x(1) \right) \right]^2 \times \\ \left[A_y(1)A_x(2) + B_y(1)B_x(2) + m_A \left(A_x(2)B_y(1) + A_y(1)B_x(2) \right) \right]^2 \times \\ \left[A_x(1) + m_B B_x(1) \right] \left[A_y(1) + m_A B_y(1) \right] \times \\ \left[A_x(2) + m_A B_x(2) \right]^2 \left[A_y(2) + m_B B_y(2) \right] f_\alpha(x, y) \Big|_{x=0, y=0},$$

where $A_\mu(\nu) = \cosh(J_\nu D_\mu)$, $B_\mu(\nu) = \sinh(J_\nu D_\mu)$, ($\nu = 1, 2$), $D_\mu = \partial/\partial\mu$ ($\mu = x, y$) and f_α is a given function of α and t

- heavy use of symbolic calculations - *Mathematica*TM, *Octave*,...

Effective-field theory with correlations

- order parameter $m_S = (m_A - m_B)/2$
- magnetization $m = (m_A + m_B)/2 = 0$ (for AF and as well for SAF phase)
- by formal integration the following equation for Landau free energy follows

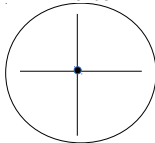
$$f(m_S, t) = f_0(t) + A_2(t)m_S^2 + A_4(t)m_S^4 + A_6(t)m_S^6 + \dots$$

- critical point $A_2 = 0, \quad A_4 > 0$
- tricritical point $A_2 = 0, \quad A_4 = 0$
- for SAF phase different choice of sublattices \rightarrow different equations

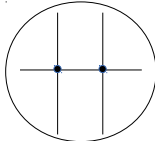
Effective-field theory with correlations

cluster approximation performed for

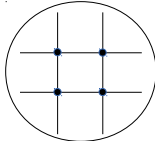
- 1-site



- 2-site

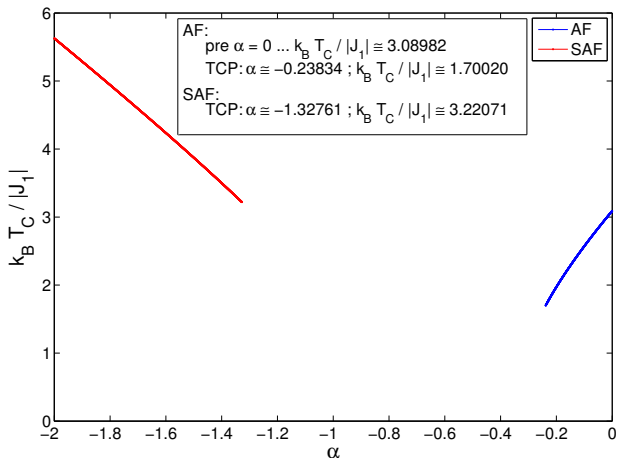


- 4-site



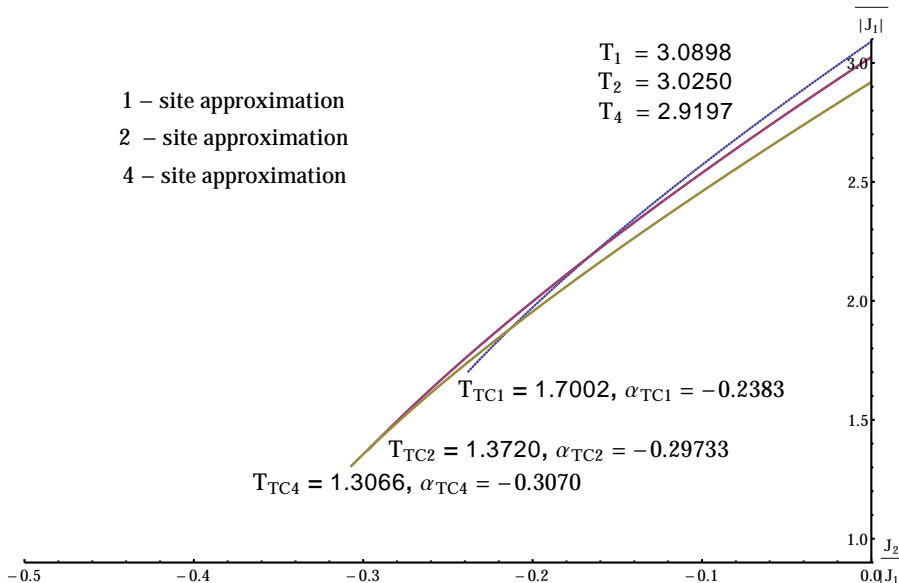
Results - 1 site approximation

appearance of two tricritical points



Results

- 1 - site approximation
- 2 - site approximation
- 4 - site approximation



Outline and future work

- Analysis of the 1st order phase transitions → need of more sophisticated methods
- Monte Carlo calculations for better quantitative description (troubles with sign problem near $\alpha \approx -0.5$)
- challenging **9**-site cluster approximation be
- AF on honeycomb lattice (which was actually our original goal ☺)
- Take into account higher correlations between spins -
($m_A, m_B, \rho_A, \rho_B, \tau_A, \tau_B$)

Thank you for your attention

For completeness ($\beta = 1/k_B T$ and $h = 0$)

$$f_A = \frac{f_1}{f_0}, \quad f_B = \frac{f_2}{f_0},$$

$$f_1 = \sinh \beta(x + y) + e^{-2\beta J_1} \sinh \beta(x - y),$$

$$f_2 = \sinh \beta(x + y) - e^{-2\beta J_1} \sinh \beta(x - y),$$

$$f_0 = \cosh \beta(x + y) + e^{-2\beta J_1} \cosh \beta(x - y).$$

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