


Session 2: solutions

Exercise 1

$$H = -J \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} s_i s_{i+1}$$

for N sites \Rightarrow

$$Z_N = \sum_{\{s_i\}} e^{-\beta H(\{s_i\})} = \sum_{\{s_i\}} \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} e^{\beta J s_i s_{i+1}} =$$
$$= \sum_{s_N=\pm 1} \sum_{s_{N-1}=\pm 1} \dots \sum_{s_1=\pm 1} e^{\beta J s_1 s_2} e^{\beta J s_2 s_3} \dots e^{\beta J s_{N-1} s_N} =$$

$$= \sum_{s_N=\pm 1} \dots \sum_{s_2=\pm 1} \left(\sum_{s_1=\pm 1} e^{\beta J s_1 s_2} \right) e^{\beta J s_2 s_3} \dots e^{\beta J s_{N-1} s_N} =$$

$$= \sum_{s_N=\pm 1} \dots \sum_{s_2=\pm 1} \left[2 \cosh(\beta J s_2) \right] e^{\beta J s_2 s_3} \dots e^{\beta J s_{N-1} s_N} =$$

even function:
= $\cosh(\beta J)$ for both values of s_2

$$= [2 \cosh(\beta J)] \sum_{s_N=\pm 1} \dots \left(\sum_{s_2=\pm 1} e^{\beta J s_2 s_3} \right) \dots e^{\beta J s_{N-1} s_N} =$$

$$= [2 \cosh(\beta J)]^2 \sum_{s_N=\pm 1} \dots \sum_{s_3=\pm 1} \prod_{i=3}^{N-1} e^{\beta J s_i s_{i+1}}$$

Z_{N-2}

In general:

$$Z_N = [2 \cosh(\beta J)] Z_{N-1} = [2 \cosh(\beta J)]^N$$

Question: is it ever 0 or ∞ for any β ?

\Rightarrow no phase transition (apart for $\beta = \infty \Rightarrow T = 0$)

\Rightarrow THE 1D ISING MODEL HAS NO PHASE TRANSITION.

Exercise 2

$$P(\{s_i\})$$

$$F = \sum_{\{s_i\}} \left(-J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} s_i s_j P(\{s_i\}) - h \sum_i s_i P(\{s_i\}) \right) + k_B T \sum_{\{s_i\}} P(\{s_i\}) \ln P(\{s_i\})$$

$-TS$

Mean-field:

$$P(\{s_i\}) = \prod_i P(s_i)$$

$$P_i(\cdot) = P(\cdot) \quad \forall i$$

Then

$$m = \sum_s s \cdot p(s)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F &= -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \left[\sum_{s_i = \pm 1} s_i p(s_i) \right] \left[\sum_{s_j = \pm 1} s_j p(s_j) \right] + \\ &\quad - h \sum_i \left[\sum_{s_i = \pm 1} s_i p(s_i) \right] + \\ &\quad + k_B T \sum_{\{s_i\}} \prod_j p(s_j) \sum_j \ln p(s_j) = \\ &= -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} m^2 - h \sum_i m + \\ &\quad + k_B T \sum_i \sum_{\{s_i\}} p(s_i) \ln p(s_i) \end{aligned}$$

Let's rewrite m

$$m = p(+)-p(-)$$

$p(\cdot)$ is normalized: $p(+)+p(-)=1$

$$\begin{cases} p(+)-p(-) = m \\ p(+)+p(-) = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} p(+)=\frac{1+m}{2} \\ p(-)=\frac{1-m}{2} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$F = -J \frac{z}{2} N m^2 - h N m + k_B T N \cdot$$

$$\cdot \left(\frac{1+m}{2} \ln \frac{1+m}{2} + \frac{1-m}{2} \ln \frac{1-m}{2} \right)$$

The equilibrium value of m must minimize F

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial m} = N \left\{ -J z m - h + k_B T \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+m}{1-m} \right) \right\} =$$

$$= N k_B T \left\{ -\beta (J z m + h) + \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+m}{1-m} \right) \right\} = 0$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1+m}{1-m} = \beta (J z m + h)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1+m}{1-m} = e^{2\beta (J z m + h)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+m = e^{2\beta (J z m + h)} (1-m)$$

$$\Rightarrow m \left[1 + e^{2\beta (J z m + h)} \right] = \frac{e^{2\beta (J z m + h)} - 1}{-1}$$

This translates to

$$m = \frac{e^{2\beta(\gamma z_m + h)} - 1}{e^{2\beta(\gamma z_m + h)} + 1}$$

Dividing above and below by $e^{\beta(\gamma z_m + h)}$

we obtain

$$m = \tanh[\beta(\gamma z_m + h)]$$