Pseudo-one-dimensional surface order in tricritical Potts models

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• Introduction to surface criticality

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Introduction



Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H}/k_{\mathsf{B}}T = \overbrace{-K\sum_{nn} s_i s_j - H\sum s_i}^{\mathsf{bulk}} \underbrace{-K_s\sum_{nn} s_i s_j - H_s\sum s_i}_{\mathsf{surface}}$$

K- coupling constant; H- magnetic field;

- 1. ordinary transition- (2 + 1) universality: <u>3D</u> bulk: y_t, y_h + surface: y_{h1}
- 2. special transition -(2+2) universality: <u>3D</u> bulk: y_t, y_h + surface: y_{t1}, y_{h1}
- 3. surface transition 2D Ising universality: <u>2D</u> bulk: y_t, y_h
- 4. extraordinary transition <u>3D</u> bulk: $y_t, y_h + \langle s_0 s_r \rangle_{surf} = c + ar^{-2X}$

- 2D Ising model: surface- <u>one-dimensional</u> edge <u>NO</u> surface, special, extraordinary transitions ordinary transition: $y_{h1} = 1/2$
- 2D critical Potts model (conformal field theory)

 $y_{h1} = (3 - 2y_t)/(3 - y_t)$ —— (1)

• 2D tricritical Potts model $(y_t > 3/2)$ assume: Eq. (1) is still valid $\Rightarrow y_{h1} < 0$ surface magnetic field: *irrelevant*

RESULTS

- Tricritical q = 1 Potts model on square lattice
- 1. periodic boundaries

$$\mathcal{H}/k_{\mathsf{B}}T = -J\sum_{nn}\sigma_i\sigma_j + D\sum_{i}\sigma_i \,, \ (\sigma=0,1)$$

 $\$ $s = 2\sigma - 1$

Ising model

$$\mathcal{H}/k_{\mathsf{B}}T = -K\sum_{nn} s_i s_j - H\sum_{i} s_i \,, \quad (s = \pm 1)$$

with J = 4K and D = -H + 8K

2. free boundaries in y direction

at surfaces: $\alpha = J_s/J - 1$, and $\beta = D_s/D - 1$

Ising model in surface magnetic field



We have $y_{t1} = 1/2$

• Tricritical Ising model

$$\mathcal{H}/k_{\mathsf{B}}T = -J\sum_{nn} s_i s_j + D\sum_i s_i^2 \,, \ (\sigma = 0, \pm 1)$$

1. tricritical point: (transfer matrix):

 $K_{tc} = 1.64317590(1), D_{tc} = 3.23017970(2),$

 $h_{tc} = 0$, and $V_{tc} = 0.4549506(2)$

2. $K = K_{tc}, D = D_{tc}, h_s = 0$



3.
$$K = K_{tc}, D = D_{tc}, h_s$$

A second-order phase transition occurs at: $_{\circ}$ $h_s = 0.6776(15)$



4. $K > K_{tc}, D > D_{tc}, h_s = 0$



5. $K = K_{tc}, D = D_{tc}, h_s = 0, \alpha = 0.805$



• Tricritical q = 3 Potts model $\mathcal{H}/k_{\mathsf{B}}T = \mathcal{H}_{\mathsf{bulk}}/k_{\mathsf{B}}T - K_s \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \delta_{\sigma_i,\sigma_j} - D_s \sum_i \delta_{\sigma_i,0}$ $-h_s^{(1)} \sum_i \delta_{\sigma_i,1} + \frac{1}{2}h_s^{(1)} \sum_i (\delta_{\sigma_i,2} + \delta_{\sigma_i,3})$

$$(\sigma_i=0,1,2,3)$$

1. tricritical point: (transfer matrix):

 $K_{tc} = 1.649913(5), D_{tc} = 3.152173(10),$ $h_{tc} = 0, \text{ and } V_{tc} = 0.34572(5)$

2. $K = K_{tc}, D = D_{tc}$





- 2D systems can also have very rich surface phase transitions.
- This subject is largely unexplored, and further investigations are desirable.