# Disordered Potts model on the diamond hierarchical lattice

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## **Disordered Potts model**

Hamiltonian:

$$\mathscr{H} = -\sum_{\langle i,j
angle} J_{ij} \delta(\sigma_i,\sigma_j)$$

 $\sigma_i = 1, 2, \ldots, q$ , at site *i* 

 $J_{ij}$  independent and identically distributed random numbers.

#### Phases and phase transitions in regular lattices

Pure system: 
$$J_{ij} = J > 0$$
 — weak disorder: 1<sup>st</sup>-order transition

- $q \leq q_c$ : 2<sup>*nd*</sup>-order transition
- $q > q_c$ : 1<sup>st</sup>-order transition

 $q_c(d=2) = 4$ ,  $q_c(d=3) < 3$ 

Random ferromagnet (RF):  $J_{ii} > 0$ 

- d = 2:  $2^{nd}$ -order transition for all q
- d = 3 and  $q \ge 3$

- strong disorder: 2<sup>nd</sup>-order transition

Spin glass (SG):  $J_{ii} < 0$  and  $J_{ii} > 0$ 

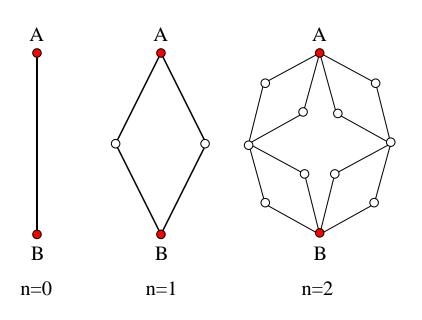
- d = 3
  - -q=3: SG phase
  - q = 10: no SG phase
- $d = 2 < d_c$  no SG phase

### Potts model in the large-q limit

Motivations of its study

- experimental side
  - suggested as plausible model for supercooled liquids
    - \* valid in the mean-field approach
    - \* not for the nearest-neighbour model
- theoretical side
  - simpler to study
    - \* 1/q-expansion
    - \* high-temperature expansion is dominated by one diagram
  - $q \rightarrow \infty$  is non-singular limit

#### **Diamond hierarchical lattice**



• branching number: b=2

- generation: n
- length (between A and B):  $L_n = 2^n$
- total number of bonds:  $B_n = (2b)^n = L_n^{d_{eff}(b)}$
- effective dimension:  $d_{eff}(b) = \ln(2b) / \ln(2).$

#### **Renormalization of the Potts model**

Fix one boundary  $\sigma_{\!A}=+1$ , then the partition function reads

$$\begin{array}{ll} Z_n^{(1,.)} & = Z_n^+ + Z_n^- \\ Z_n^+ & = Z_n^{(1,1)} \\ Z_n^- & = \sum_{\sigma_B \neq 1} Z_n^{(1,\sigma_B)} = (q-1) Z_n^{(1,2)} \end{array}$$

The exact RG equations for the Z

$$Z_{n+1}^{(1,1)} = \prod_{i=1}^{b} \left[ Z_n^{(1,1)}(i_1) Z_n^{(1,1)}(i_2) + (q-1) Z_n^{(1,2)}(i_1) Z_n^{(1,2)}(i_2) \right]$$
  

$$Z_{n+1}^{1,2} = \prod_{i=1}^{b} \left[ Z_n^{(1,1)}(i_1) Z_n^{(1,2)}(i_2) + Z_n^{(1,2)}(i_1) Z_n^{(1,1)}(i_2) + (q-2) Z_n^{(1,2)}(i_1) Z_n^{(1,2)}(i_2) \right]$$

It is easier to work in terms of:

$$x_n = \frac{\mathscr{Z}_n^{1,1}}{\mathscr{Z}_n^{1,2}} = e^{\beta F_n^{\text{inter}}} ,$$

where  $F_n^{\text{inter}} = F_n^{1,2} - F_n^{1,1}$  is the interface free energy. The ratio  $x_n$  obeys the recursion equation

$$x_{n+1} = \prod_{i=1}^{b} \left[ \frac{x_n^{(i_1)} x_n^{(i_2)} + (q-1)}{x_n^{(i_1)} + x_n^{(i_2)} + (q-2)} \right]$$

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#### **Renormalization for large-**q

rescale the temperature:  $T' = T \ln q$ , so that  $e^{\beta} = q^{\beta'}$  where  $\beta' = 1/T'$  ( $k_B = 1$ ) high-temperature series expansion of  $\mathscr{Z}$  is dominated by one diagram:

 $\mathscr{Z}_{q \to \infty} q^{\phi} + \text{subleading terms}$ 

which is related to the free energy through  $\phi = -\beta' F$ .

Similarly, the interface free energy:

$$x_n = q^{\beta' F_n^{\text{inter}}}, \quad I_n = \beta' F_n^{\text{inter}}$$

In terms of  $I_n$  the recursion equations are:

$$q^{I_{n+1}} = \prod_{i=1}^{b} \left[ \frac{q^{I_n^{(i_1)}} q^{I_n^{(i_2)}} + (q-1)}{q^{I_n^{(i_1)}} + q^{I_n^{(i_2)}} + (q-2)} \right]$$

which have a simpler form for large-q:

$$I_{n+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{b} \Phi\left[I_{n}^{(i_{1})}, I_{n}^{(i_{2})}\right]$$

where the auxiliary function is:

$$\Phi\left[I^{(1)}, I^{(2)}\right] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } I_{max} + I_{min} < 1 \text{ and } I_{max} < 1, \\ 1 - I_{max} & \text{if } I_{max} + I_{min} < 1 \text{ and } I_{max} > 1, \\ I_{max} + I_{min} - 1 & \text{if } I_{max} + I_{min} > 1 \text{ and } I_{max} < 1, \\ I_{min} & \text{if } I_{max} + I_{min} > 1 \text{ and } I_{max} > 1. \end{cases}$$

with  $I_{max} = max(I^{(1)}, I^{(2)})$  and  $I_{min} = min(I^{(1)}, I^{(2)})$ .

The initial condition is given by

$$I_0^{(i)} = \beta' J_i$$

where  $J_i$  is the value of the *i*th coupling.

### Phase diagram: pure system

$$I_{n+1} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < I_n \le 1/2, \\ b(2I_n - 1) & \text{if } 1/2 < I_n \le 1, \\ bI_n & \text{if } I_n > 1. \end{cases}$$

- fixed-point at  $I_c = b/(2b-1)$
- first-order transition

#### Random system: Numerical study Distribution of the couplings

$$\mathscr{P}(J) = egin{cases} 1 & \mbox{if } rac{p}{1-p} < J < rac{1}{1-p}, \\ 0 & \mbox{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

with  $p \le 1$ mean value is given by:

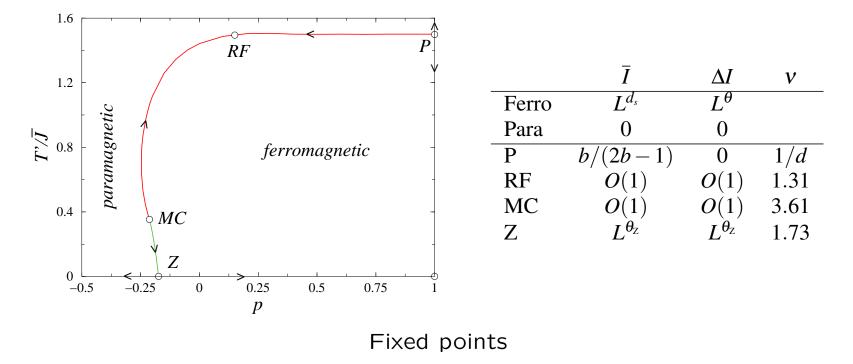
$$\overline{J} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1+p}{1-p} \right) \,.$$

- *p* > 0 all couplings are random ferromagnetic
- $p \rightarrow 1$  we have the pure system
- p < 0 there are also negative bonds
- p = -1 the distribution is symmetric

#### Numerical pool method

- start with  $N = 5 \times 10^6$  elements
- first itereation: generate N new elements
- second iteration: input is taken from the first iteration pool
- iterate up to  $n \sim 70-80$  steps

## Phase diagram for b = 2 and $d_{eff} = 2$



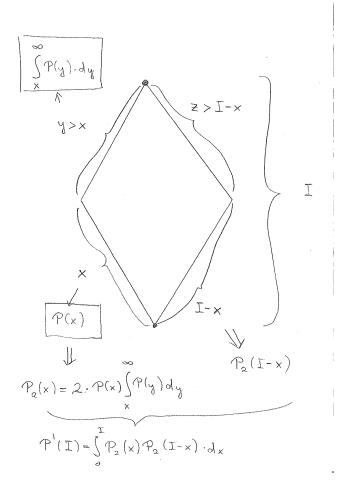
- P: pure system
- RF: random ferromagnet driving force: temperature

- MC: multicritical (Nishimori)
- Z: zero-temperature (spin-glass) driving force: frustration

#### Ferromagnetic phase

- *I<sub>n</sub>* grows without limit
- for each bond  $I_{max} \ge I_{min} > 1$
- $I_{n+1} = I_n^{(1)}(min) + I_n^{(2)}(min)$
- distribution function:

$$P'(I) = \int_0^I dx P_2(x) P_2(I-x)$$
$$P_2(I) = 2P(I) \int_I^\infty dx P(x), \quad I > 1$$



• solution

$$P'(2\overline{I}+I_1)=\frac{1}{\lambda}P(\overline{I}+I_1/\lambda)$$

- numerical solution:  $\lambda = 1.230091(1)$
- scaling behaviour:

$$\overline{I} \sim L^{d_s}, \quad I_1 = \Delta I \sim L^{\theta}$$

• exponents:

$$- d_s = d_{eff} - 1 = 1$$

- droplet exponent:

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$$\theta = \log(\lambda) / \log(2) = 0.298765(1)$$

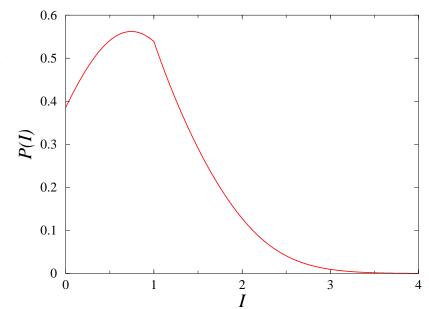
\*  $\theta$  is the same as for the directed polymer in the same lattice.

## Random ferromagnet (RF) fixed point

- scaling to  $I_n \ge 0$
- different recursion relations at I = 0 and in the regions 0 < I < 1, 1 < I < 2, and I > 2.
- solution:

$$P'(I) = P(I)$$

•  $p_0 = 0.1280795$ 



## Thermal critical exponent

- Jacobian:  $J(x,y) = \delta P'(x) / \delta P(y)$
- eigenvalue problem:

$$\int dy J(x,y) f_i(y) = \lambda_i^{\rm RF} f_i(x)$$

- numerical solution:  $\lambda_1^{\text{RF}} = 1.6994583(1)$
- thermal eigenvalue:

$$y_t^{\rm RF} = \frac{\log \lambda_1^{\rm RF}}{\log 2} = 0.7650750(1)$$

- correlation length exponent:  $v_{\rm RF} = 1/y_t^{\rm RF} = 1.307061(1)$ .
- scaling of  $\overline{I}(T',L)$  for  $T' < T'_c$ :

$$\bar{I}(T',L) = \left[\frac{L}{\xi_{av}(T')}\right]^{d_s}$$
with:  $\xi_{av}(T') \sim (T'-T')^{-v_{\rm RF}}$ 

$$\operatorname{Sav}(1) = (1 - 1_c)$$

• scaling of  $\Delta I(T',L)$  for  $T' < T'_c$ :

$$\Delta I(T',L) = \left[\frac{L}{\xi_{var}(T')}\right]^{\theta}$$
 and  $\xi_{var}(T') \sim \xi_{av}(T')$ .

## Zero-temperature (Z) fixed point

- scaling to  $|I_n| \to \infty$
- new scaling variable:  $i_n \equiv I_n/\overline{I}_n$ and parameter:  $\alpha_{n+1} = \overline{I}_{n+1}/\overline{I}_n$ .
- scaling behaviour:
  - $p > p_Z: \quad \alpha_n \to b$

$$- p < p_Z: \quad \alpha_n \to 0$$

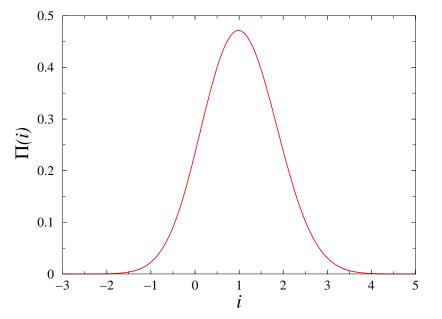
$$- p = p_Z: \quad \alpha_n \to \alpha_Z$$

probability distribution transforms as:

$$\Pi'(i) = lpha_Z \Pi(i)$$
 with  $lpha_Z = 1.10661(1)$ 

• the droplet exponent:

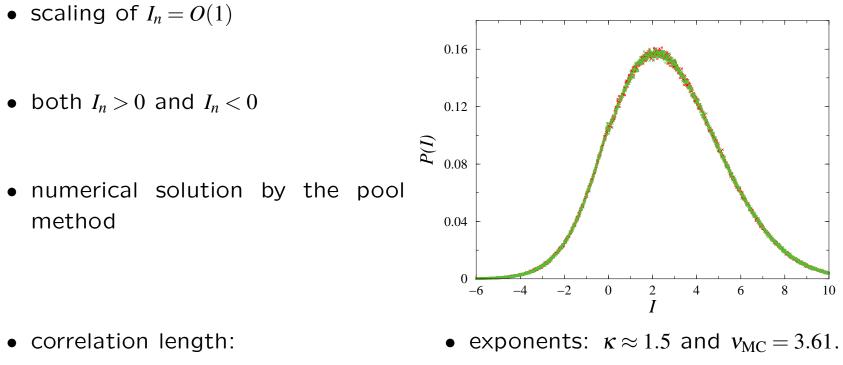
$$\theta_{\rm Z} = \frac{\log \alpha_{\rm Z}}{\log 2} = 0.14615(1)$$



- correlation length exponent:  $v_{\rm Z} = 1/y_t^{\rm Z} = 1.72906(1)$

$$\overline{I}(T',L) = \frac{L^{d_s}}{[\xi_{av}(T')]^{d_s - \theta_z}}$$
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## Multicritical (MC) fixed point



 $\xi(t) \sim (t \ln^{\kappa} t)^{-\nu_{\rm MC}}$ 

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### Conclusions

- *q*-state Potts-model on the diamond hierarchical lattice
- numerically exact solution of the random model for large-q
- ferro & paramagnetic phases similarity with directed polymers
- four non-trivial fixed points similarity with the  $\pm J$ , q = 3 model
- RF fixed point driving force: temperature
- Z fixed point driving force: disorder
- MC fixed point similar to the Nishimori point

- possible extensions
  - larger branching number, b > 2.
  - other quantities: magnetization, correlations, etc.
  - for smaller values of q, 1/q expansion.

