Random quantum systems with long-range interactions

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Thermal fluctuations



Critical opalescence

Thermal & quantum fluctuations

LiHoF₄ dipol-bonded quantum Ising ferromagnet

$$\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{i,j} J_{ij}\sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x - H_t^2 \sum_i \sigma_i^z$$



Thermal & quantum & disorder fluctuations

 $\begin{array}{ll} {\rm LiHo_xY_{1-x}F_4\ dipol-bonded\ diluted\ }\mathcal{H}=-\sum_{i,j}J_{ij}\epsilon_i\epsilon_j\sigma_i^x\sigma_j^x-H_t^2\sum_i\sigma_i^z\\ {\rm quantum\ lsing\ ferromagnet\ }\end{array}$





$$\epsilon_i = 0, \ 1 - x \ \text{probability}$$



(After Ancona-Torres et al, 2008)



a = b = 5.176 Åc = 10.75 Å

Quantum & disorder fluctuations

3D Anderson localisation with cold atoms Palaiseau (Aspect group)



Quantum & disorder fluctuations

2D superconductor-insulator transition width magnetic field



(Haviland, Liu and Goldman)

Random quantum Ising model – short-range interactions

$$\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{(ij)} J_{ij} \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x - \sum_i h_i \sigma_i^z$$

In a finite system of linear size L :

Statics: magnetization [m]_{av}

 J_{ij}, h_i random variables (*ij*) nearest neighbours



quantum MC - possible

Stong disorder RG recommended

Strong Disorder RG

Local renormalisation: quantum and disorder fluctuations are treated at the same time





D. S. Fisher (1994): analytical solution in 1D at the critical point

Infinite disorder fixed point:

- the ratio of two effective couplings tends to infinity
- the renormalization steps are asymptotically exact

What does happen in higher dimension?

J is the strongest





J is the strongest



h is the strongest





h is the strongest



In each step the number of spins is reduced, but the number of couplings could strongly increase!

Efficient RG algorithm

"Traditional"

"Novel"



(Kovács & Iglói, 2011a,b)



$t \sim N \log N$

The number of couplings does not increase

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Structure of clusters



L=64



L=512

Physical quantities

- Fractal dimension, d_f
- Magnetization

 $m \sim L^{d_f - d}$

- Extension of clusters
- Correlation length

 $\xi \sim |\delta|^{-\nu}$

energy of clusters
 Energy gap
 $\ln \epsilon \sim L^{\psi}$



(Kovács & Iglói, 2010)

Long-range forces

$$\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{b_{ij}}{r_{ij}^{\alpha}} \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x - \sum_i h_i \sigma_i^z$$

with $\alpha > d$ (extensive energy)

 b_{ij} and h_i i.i.d. random numbers

In d=3 possible relation with $LiHo_xY_{1-x}F_4$

Numerical strong disorder RG study with the maximum rule

Juhász, Kovács & Iglói:

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Critical point Scaling of lengths

- Finite-size critical points $\theta_c(S,L)$
 - two-copies of the same sample (S and S') are coupled together



- continuously increase θ and monitor the clusters, which are built of identical sites in the copies
- at $\theta_c(S,L)$ the last correlated cluster disappears, thus for $\theta > \theta_c(S,L)$ we are in the paramagnetic phase

• Distribution of pseudocritical points



- Finite-size scaling
 - shift of the mean: (conv. scaling) $\left|\theta_c - \overline{\theta_c}(L)\right| \sim 1/\ln L$ (L^{-1/v_s})
 - width of the distribution:

 $\Delta \theta_c(L) \sim 1/\ln L$ (L^{-1/ν_w})

 KT-like scaling of the correlation length

 $\xi \sim \exp\left(\operatorname{const}/|\theta - \theta_{\rm c}|\right) \qquad \xi \sim |\theta - \theta_{\rm c}|^{-\nu}$

Critical point: numerical SDRG results





1D LR model: dominantly field decimations

Largest spin clusters



Sparse and quasi-1D

Energy scaling



Analytical derivation of the results - Primary model

- observations in the RG procedure
 - 1. almost always transverse fields are decimated
 - 2. after a field decimation, the maximum rule leads almost always to $\tilde{J}_{jk} = J_{jk}$
 - 3. the extension w_i of (non-decimated) clusters are typically much smaller than the distances between them

- construction of the primary model
 - take $b_{ij} = b = 1$, but let h_i random
 - according to 2) we have from the additivity of the bond lengths:

 $\tilde{J}_{i-1,i+1}^{-1/\alpha} = J_{i-1,i}^{-1/\alpha} + J_{i,i+1}^{-1/\alpha} + w_i$

and w_i is neglected due to 3).

- Using reduced variables

$$\zeta = \left(\frac{\Omega}{J}\right)^{1/\alpha} - 1$$
$$\beta = \frac{1}{\alpha} \ln \frac{\Omega}{h}$$

- the RG equations reads:
 - $egin{array}{rcl} ilde{\zeta} &=& \zeta_{i-1,i}+\zeta_{i,i+1}+1 \ ilde{eta} &=& eta_i+eta_{i+1} \end{array}$
- equivalent to a 1d disordered O(2) quantum rotor model (1d disordered bosons) (E. Altman, Y. Kafri, A. Polkovnikov, and G. Refael (2004)) with
 - grain charging energy $U_i \leftrightarrow J_{i,i+1}^{1/\alpha}$
 - Josephson coupling $\mathscr{J}_{i,i+1} \leftrightarrow h_i^{1/\alpha}$
- Note, that site and bond variables are interchanged in the two problems.

Solution of the primary model d=1

- Let us change the log-energy-scale: $\Gamma\equiv \frac{1}{\alpha}\ln\frac{\Omega_0}{\Omega}\to \Gamma+d\Gamma$
- the distributions $g_{\Gamma}(\beta)$ and $f_{\Gamma}(\zeta)$ will follow the equations:

$$\frac{\partial g_{\Gamma}(\beta)}{\partial \Gamma} = \frac{\partial g_{\Gamma}(\beta)}{\partial \beta} + f_{0}(\Gamma) \int d\beta' g_{\Gamma}(\beta') g_{\Gamma}(\beta - \beta') + g_{\Gamma}(\beta) [g_{0}(\Gamma) - f_{0}(\Gamma)]$$
$$\frac{\partial f_{\Gamma}(\zeta)}{\partial \Gamma} = (\zeta + 1) \frac{\partial f_{\Gamma}(\zeta)}{\partial \zeta} + g_{0}(\Gamma) \int d\zeta' f_{\Gamma}(\zeta') g_{\Gamma}(\zeta - \zeta' - 1) + f_{\Gamma}(\zeta) [f_{0}(\Gamma) + 1 - g_{0}(\Gamma)],$$

• the fixed-point solutions $(\Gamma \to \infty)$ are:

$$egin{aligned} g_{\Gamma}(oldsymbol{eta}) &= g_0(\Gamma) e^{-g_0(\Gamma)oldsymbol{eta}}, \ f_{\Gamma}(oldsymbol{\zeta}) &= f_0(\Gamma) e^{-f_0(\Gamma)oldsymbol{\zeta}} \end{aligned}$$

• which satisfy the ordinary differential equations

$$\frac{dg_0(\Gamma)}{d\Gamma} = -f_0(\Gamma)g_0(\Gamma),$$
$$\frac{df_0(\Gamma)}{d\Gamma} = f_0(\Gamma)(1 - g_0(\Gamma)),$$

• thus $f_0(\Gamma) = g_0(\Gamma) - \ln g_0(\Gamma) - 1 + \varepsilon$ $\varepsilon = -a + \ln(1+a)$ • The boundary conditions in the $\Gamma \to \infty$ limit:

$$f_0(\Gamma) \to 0,$$

 $g_0(\Gamma) \to 1+a$

- paramagnetic phase a > 0
- critical point a=0
- The solutions in leading order in Γ :

$$g_0(\Gamma) \simeq 1 + a \coth[(\Gamma + C)a/2],$$

 $f_0(\Gamma) \simeq rac{a^2}{2 \sinh^2[(\Gamma + C)a/2]},$

RG flow-diagram



Diverging correlation length

Jump in the magnetization

$$r(L) = \frac{N_{bond}^{\#}(L)}{N_{field}^{\#}(L)}$$
$$p(h) = \frac{d}{z}h^{-1+d/z}$$

L increases along the flow

r=0: line of fixed points

 $\alpha/z > 1$: paramagnetic phase - stable

 $\alpha/z < 1$: ferromagnetic phase - unstable

 $\alpha/z = 1$: critical point

Mixed-order transition

Interpretation through extreme value statistics (EVS)

- chain of length L, renormalized to a cluster of μ spins
- its effective field is given by:

$$\tilde{h} \sim \prod_{i=1}^{\mu} h_i / \prod_{i=1}^{\mu-1} J_i, \quad J_i = b_i r_i^{-\alpha}$$

- limit distribution of the fields $g(h) \sim h^{-1+(1+a)/\alpha}$
- h_i is the *smallest* out of r_i variables
- according to EVS $\rightarrow h_i \simeq \kappa_i r_i^{-\alpha/(1+a)}$
- *κ_i* follow Fréchet statistics

 $P(\kappa) = \alpha^{-1} \kappa^{1/\alpha - 1} \exp(-\kappa^{1/\alpha})$

- the asymptotic behavior of \tilde{h} is different
 - $\overline{\ln h} > \overline{\ln J}$ (paramagnet)
 - $\overline{\ln h} < \overline{\ln J}$ (ferromagnet)

- criticality: a = 0 and $\overline{\ln b} = \overline{\ln \kappa}$
- at the critical point:
 - $\tilde{h} \sim \prod_{i=1}^{\mu} \kappa_i / \prod_{i=1}^{\mu-1} b_i \sim \exp(-c\mu^{1/2})$ from the central limit theorem
 - from energy scaling: $\tilde{h} \sim L^{-\alpha}$ which implies $\mu \sim \ln^2 L$
- in the paramagnetic phase $0 < a \ll 1$
 - $\xi(a)$ is the length of the longest decimated bond, r_l
 - $J_l/h_l \sim (b_l r_l^{-\alpha})/(r_l^{-\alpha/(1+a)}\kappa_l) \sim r_l^{-\alpha a}/\kappa_l > 1$

– thus the smallest value:
$$\kappa_l < \xi^{-lpha a}$$

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\kappa_l < \xi^{-\alpha a}) = \int_0^{\xi^{-\alpha a}} P(\kappa) \mathrm{d}\kappa$$
$$= 1 - e^{-\xi^{-a}} \sim \xi^{-a} = e^{-C'} = \mathscr{O}(1)$$

$$- \xi \sim \exp(C'/a) \sim \exp(\operatorname{const}/|\theta - \theta_{\rm c}|)$$

- in the ferromagnetic phase $0 < -a \ll 1$
 - there is a giant connected cluster
 - $\xi(a)$ is the length of the longest hole in it, r_l
 - all the transverse fields are decimated out in this region

$$- J_l/h_l \sim (b_l r_l^{-\alpha})/(r_l^{-\alpha/(1-|a|)} \kappa_l) \sim r_l^{\alpha|a|}/\kappa_l < 1$$

– thus the smallest value: $\kappa_l > \xi^{lpha |a|}$

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\kappa_l > \xi^{\alpha|a|}) = \int_{\xi^{\alpha|a|}}^{\infty} P(\kappa) d\kappa$$
$$= \exp\left(-\xi^{|a|}\right) = \exp\left(-e^{-C'}\right) = \mathscr{P}$$

- thus $\xi \sim \exp(-C'/|a|)$.
- ξ has different scaling behaviours for
 - * C' < 0 $(0 < \mathscr{P} < 1/e)$, thus $\xi
 ightarrow \infty$
 - * C' > 0 $(1/e < \mathscr{P} < 1)$, thus $\xi \to 0$ and the magnetization is of $\mathscr{O}(1)$

- two possible scenarios:
 - * second-order transition

 $\frac{\text{if } \mathscr{P} < 1/e \text{ in every samples}}{|\xi \sim \exp(-C'/|a|) \sim \exp(\text{const}/|\theta - \theta_{\text{c}}|)}$

* mixed-order transition

if $\mathscr{P} > 1/e$

the average magnetization is of $\mathcal{O}(1)$ but the correlation length is di

but the correlation length is divergent.

Conclusions

- critical behaviour is controlled by a strong disorder fixed point
 - dynamical exponent $z_c = \alpha$
 - KT-like scaling: $\xi \sim \exp(\text{const}/|\theta \theta_{c}|)$
 - critical cluster is a logarithmic fractal: $\mu_L \sim (\ln L)^2$
 - Mixed-order transition
- Griffiths region in the paramagnetic phase with $z < \alpha$
- identical behaviour in models with a discrete order parameter (contact process, Potts model, etc.)
 - numerical verification for the LR random contact process

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Entanglement: number of clusters

Quantification: von Neumann entropy

 $S = -\mathrm{Tr}_{\mathcal{A}}(\rho_{\mathcal{A}} \log_2 \rho_{\mathcal{A}}) \quad \rho_{\mathcal{A}} = \mathrm{Tr}_{\mathcal{B}} |\Psi\rangle \langle \Psi|$



At the critical point universal logarithmic corrections

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_{1\mathrm{D}}(\ell) &= rac{c}{3}\log_2\ell \ \mathcal{S}_{2\mathrm{D}}(\ell) &= a\ell + b\ln\ell \ \mathcal{S}_{3\mathrm{D}}(\ell) &= a\ell^2 + b\ell + c\ln\ell \ \mathcal{S}_{4\mathrm{D}}(\ell) &= a\ell^3 + b\ell^2 + c\ell + d\ln\ell \end{aligned}$$

The area law is satisfied, but due to corners there is a universal logarithmic correction

(Kovács & Iglói, 2012)