# Ising model with antiferromagnetic next-nearest-neighbor coupling. V. Mean-field model and disorder points\*

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A detailed account is given of the calculation of disorder points within the mean-field model on a variety of one-, two-, and three-dimensional Ising lattices. Comparison with exact solutions is made when feasible, and the limitations of the approximate method discussed.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

When a competing antiferromagnetic next-nearestneighbor interaction is present in an Ising model, the pair correlation function may become oscillatory at high temperatures, above a precisely located temperature  $T_D$ , the disorder point. For soluble models in one and two dimensions,<sup>1-3</sup> the dependence of the disorder point on the relative strengths of the nearest-neighbor (nn) and nextnearest-neighbor (nnn) interactions may be determined explicitly. In three dimensions, where no exact solutions are available, we may resort to models, such as the mean-field model and the Bethe model which approximate the Ising model at high temperatures. The "mean-field" approximation has been used by Enting<sup>4</sup> to estimate disorder points for the spin-phonon interaction model of a compressible Ising magnet, as developed by Bolton and Lee.<sup>5</sup> Previously, as reported briefly elsewhere, the same approximate method has been used by the present author to estimate disorder points on Ising lattices.<sup>6</sup>

It is the purpose of the present paper to give details of the calculation of disorder points for the mean-field model on a variety of lattices in one, two, and three dimensions. We begin with the definition of a disorder point, and outline its calculation from the poles of the Fourier transform of the pair correlation function with special reference to the mean-field model. In the main body of the paper, we give details of the calculation (and methods) for a variety of Ising lattices, Secs. IV-VIII. A summary of our results is contained essentially in Table I.

# II. DEFINITION AND CALCULATION OF THE DISORDER POINT

In the situation where the nn interaction determines the ground state, but a competing antiferromagnetic nnn interaction is present, pair correlations along a nnn axis will be antiferromagnetic at sufficiently high temperatures, and ferromagnetic at sufficiently low temperatures. Let  $T_0(\bar{r})$  be the lowest temperature at which the pair correlation  $\Gamma(\bar{r})$  vanishes. Then the disorder point is the large spin separation limit of  $T_0(\bar{r})$ . Explicitly,

$$T_{D} = \liminf_{|\vec{\mathbf{r}}| \to \infty} \{ T_{0}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) \}.$$
(2.1)

To locate  $T_D$ , we observe that in the disordered phase the decay of pair correlations with increasing spin separation is dominated by an exponential factor  $e^{-\kappa r}$ , where  $\kappa$  is the reciprocal range of order. Following Fisher and Burford,<sup>7</sup> we may determine  $\kappa$  in a direction  $\tilde{\mathbf{e}}$  (unit vector) by

$$\kappa = |\operatorname{Im} q(\mathbf{\bar{e}}, T)|, \qquad (2.2)$$

where  $q \mathbf{\bar{e}}$  is the solution of

$$1/\chi(\bar{q},T) = 0$$
, (2.3)

which lies closest to the real axis. That is, q is located via the poles of the relative magnetic scattering intensity  $\chi$ , which, in turn, is equal to the Fourier transform of the pair correlation function  $\Gamma(\mathbf{\dot{r}})$ . When q is pure imaginary, the pair correlation decays monotonically, as in normal Ornstein-Zernike theory. But if q has a nonzero real part, an oscillatory factor modifies the exponential decay. The disorder point is located by the temperature at which q leaves the imaginary axis and acquires a nonzero real part. At higher temperatures q is complex, and the correlation decay is oscillatory exponential in appropriate directions  $\mathbf{\ddot{e}}$ .

For any fixed direction  $\overline{e}$ , the lowest temperature at which q acquires a nonzero real part will be denoted by  $T_1$ . The lowest value of  $T_1$  over all directions, is equal to  $T_p$ .

#### **III. MEAN-FIELD MODEL**

The mean-field model can be derived as an approximation to the spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  Ising model, or to the Heisenberg model, or can be considered as a model with "weak long-range" interactions in its own right. The relevant scattering intensity, calcu-

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lated via the Fourier transform of the pair correlation function,<sup>4</sup> is given by

$$1/\chi(\bar{q}, T) = 1 - \hat{K}(\bar{q}),$$
 (3.1)

where  $\hat{K}(\mathbf{\bar{q}})$  is the lattice Fourier transform of

$$K(\bar{\mathbf{r}}) = J(\bar{\mathbf{r}})/k_B T , \qquad (3.2)$$

 $J(\bar{\mathbf{r}})$  being the interaction energy between spins separated by a lattice vector  $\bar{\mathbf{r}}$ . To first order in 1/T, this is in exact agreement with the Ising model expression for  $\chi(\bar{\mathbf{q}}, T)$ . It is straightforward to calculate  $\hat{K}(\bar{\mathbf{q}})$  for various lattices, and the required formulas have already been listed in Table III of the preceding paper.<sup>8</sup> By solving the equation  $1/\chi = 0$  for specific lattice directions  $\bar{\mathbf{e}}$ , we can derive mean-field values for  $T_1$  and hence for  $T_D$ .

We note here that it is convenient to use the variable

$$\rho \equiv q_2 J_2 / q_1 |J_1| , \qquad (3.3)$$

 $q_1, q_2$  being coordination numbers for nn and nnn bonds, and that the mean-field value of the critical temperature is given by

$$k_{B}T/q_{1}|J_{1}| = 1 + \rho.$$
(3.4)

Throughout our discussion,  $\rho$  is negative, and  $J_2$  is antiferromagnetic:

$$\rho_c < \rho < 0, \tag{3.5}$$

where  $\rho_c$  is the critical ratio above which the nn interaction determines the ground state. For cubic lattices the critical value of  $\rho$  is  $-\frac{1}{2}$ .<sup>9</sup>

## IV. SIMPLE CUBIC LATTICE, sc(1,2)

#### A. [100] direction

Along a cube axis, we may set  $\vec{e} = \vec{i}$  (x axis) with projection factor f equal to unity.<sup>7</sup> The nearestneighbor distance  $a_1$  is equal to the cube side a. The reciprocal scattering intensity is then

$$1/\chi = 1 - [4(K_1 + K_2) + 2(K_1 + 4K_2)\cos fqa] \quad (4.1)$$

and vanishes when

$$\cos f q a = \left[ \left( \frac{3}{q_1 K_1} - 2 - \rho \right] / (1 + 2\rho) \right]. \tag{4.2}$$

At the critical temperature  $T_c$ , the cosine is unity, and at high temperatures remains real, and is greater than unity, so q is pure imaginary. In this direction  $T_1 = \infty$ . Clearly  $\rho$  must be restricted to the range  $\rho > -\frac{1}{2}$ , which it must in any case if the nn interaction is to determine the ground state.

#### B. [110] direction

Next, along a cube face diagonal  $\overline{e} = (i+j)/\sqrt{2}$ , which is a nnn axis (in the x-y plane), we expect

the pair correlation to oscillate in sign at sufficiently high temperatures. Also  $f^2 = \frac{1}{2}$ . Now

$$\frac{1}{\chi} = 1 - [2(K_1 + K_2) + 4(K_1 + 2K_2)\cos fqa + 2K_2\cos 2fqa]$$
(4.3)

and vanishes when

$$\cos f q a = \left[ -(1+\rho) \pm |\Delta| \right] / \rho , \qquad (4.4)$$

with the discriminant  $\Delta$  given by

$$\Delta^2 = 1 + \rho + \rho^2 + (3\rho/q_1K_1). \tag{4.5}$$

The + sign is needed here. The cosine is unity at  $T_c$  and increases with temperature until the discriminant becomes negative. This occurs at a temperature

$$k_{B}T_{1}/J_{1} = (-2/\rho) (1 + \rho + \rho^{2})$$
  
~-2/\rho at small \rho. (4.6)

It is trivial to verify that  $T_1 > T_c$ , since

$$k_B(T_1 - T_c)/J_1 = (-2/\rho)(1 + 2\rho)^2 > 0.$$
 (4.7)

Also, at  $T_1$ ,  $\cos fqa = -(1+\rho)/\rho$ , which is  $\ge 1$  when  $-\frac{1}{2} \le \rho < 0$ .  $T_1$  equals  $T_c$  when  $\rho = -\frac{1}{2}$ , and increases with  $\rho$  in the range  $-\frac{1}{2} \le \rho < 0$ . Pair correlations in the [110] direction above  $T_1$  will be oscillatory. The dependence of  $T_1$  on the interaction ratio is graphed in Fig. 1.

#### C. [111] direction

Now along a cube body diagonal, connecting third-nearest-neighbor lattice sites,  $\vec{e} = (\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k})/\sqrt{3}$ , and  $f^2 = \frac{1}{3}$ :

$$1/\chi = 1 - [6K_2 + 6K_1 \cos fqa + 6K_2 \cos 2fqa], \quad (4.8)$$

which vanishes when

$$\cos f q a = (-1\pm |\Delta|)/2\rho , \qquad (4.9)$$

with

$$\Delta^2 = 1 + (4\rho/q_1 K_1), \qquad (4.10)$$

and again the "+" sign is needed. At  $T_c$  the cosine is unity, and increases with temperature until the discriminant becomes negative. This occurs at a temperature which will be our best candidate for the disorder point  $T_D$ :

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = -3/2\rho . (4.11)$$

It is trivial to verify that  $T_1 > T_D > T_c$ :

$$k_B (T_1 - T_D) / J_1 = (-1/2\rho) (1 + 2\rho)^2 > 0,$$
  

$$k_B (T_D - T_c) / J_1 = (-3/2\rho) (1 + 2\rho)^2 > 0.$$
(4.12)

 $T_1$ ,  $T_D$ , and  $T_c$  are all equal when  $\rho = -\frac{1}{2}$ , and increase with  $\rho$  in the range  $-\frac{1}{2} \le \rho < 0$ . At  $T_D$ ,  $\cos fqa = -1/2\rho$  which is  $\ge 1$  when  $-\frac{1}{2} \le \rho < 0$ .

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FIG. 1. Graphs of disorder-point estimates for the [111], [110], and [210] directions of the simple cubic lattice sc(1, 2), against interaction ratio  $\rho$ .

lattices considered, the most likely candidate for the disorder point comes from analysis of  $\chi$ along the nnn axis. The simple cubic lattice is an exception, in that a better candidate comes from the third-nearest-neighbor axis. Spins in the [111] direction can be connected by a chain of alternate  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  bonds, and the leading term in the pair correlation contains a factor  $(J_1J_2)^n$ , so the correlation oscillates at sufficiently high temperatures. (Here  $n = |\vec{\mathbf{r}}| / \sqrt{3}a$ .) We should investigate all other lattice directions in order to find out which one yields the lowest temperature  $T_1$ . This general problem will not be tackled here. Instead we consider just one more direction in order to illustrate techniques applicable to equations of cubic and higher degree.

### D. [210] direction

In the [210] direction, the leading term in the pair correlation function again contains an oscillatory factor  $(J_1J_2)^n$ . Now  $\overline{e} = (2\overline{1}+\overline{j})/\sqrt{5}$  and  $f^2 = \frac{1}{5}$ :

$$1/\chi = 1 - [2K_1(1 + \cos qa + \cos 2fqa)]$$

$$2K_2(3\cos fqa + 2\cos 2fqa + \cos 3fqa)].$$

The values of  $\cos fqa$  at which  $1/\chi$  vanishes satisfy a cubic equation. If we set

$$x = 2 \cos f q a$$
 and  $\mu = 1/\rho$ , (4.14)

the cubic for 
$$x$$
 is

$$1/K_2 = x^3 + 2(1+\mu)x^2 + 2\mu x - 4. \qquad (4.15)$$

The condition for a double root, at which a pair of real roots coalesce in order to change over to a complex pair, can easily be extracted via the standard form for a cubic

$$y^3 + py + q = 0$$
, (4.16)

with discriminant

$$4p^3 + 27q^2. (4.17)$$

Equating this discriminant to zero yields the desired expression for  $T_1$ :

$$k_B T_1 / J_1 = (2/27\mu) (4\mu^3 + 3\mu^2 + 3\mu - 23 - |\Delta|),$$
  
(4.18)

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$$\Delta^2 = 2(2\mu^2 + \mu + 2)^3. \tag{4.19}$$

This expression for  $T_1$  is plotted in Fig. 1 as a function of  $\rho$ . When  $\rho = -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $T_1$  and  $T_c$  are equal.

For small  $\rho$ ,  $T_1$  has a quadratic dependence on  $1/\rho$ ,

$$k_B T_1 / J_1 \sim 16/27 \rho^2. \tag{4.20}$$

This result may be obtained from an approximate treatment of the cubic equation, using a technique which is also applicable to higher-degree equations. To find the dependence of  $T_1$  on the interaction ratio  $\rho$ , when  $\rho$  is very small, we seek the large-x solution of the equation which determines the condition for a double root. Differentiating the right-hand side of (4.15), equating the result to zero, and retaining leading terms of order  $x^2$  and  $\mu x$ , one gets  $x \sim (-\frac{4}{3}\mu)$ . Resubstitution in (4.15), again keeping only leading terms, yields (4.20).

#### E. Results for simple cubic lattice

The temperatures above which pair correlations in the [110], [111], and [210] directions become oscillatory are plotted against  $\rho$  in Fig. 1, with the [111] direction yielding the estimate for  $T_D$ . At small nnn interaction strengths,  $T_D$  is large, and we surmise that the asymptotic form

$$k_{\rm p} T_{\rm p} / J_1 \sim -3/2\rho \tag{4.21}$$

# V. SOME OTHER THREE-DIMENSIONAL LATTICES

We shall limit our discussion of other three-(and also two-) dimensional lattices to points of interest pertinent to the specific lattice and directions under consideration. The relevant formulas for  $1/\chi$  can easily be obtained via (3.1), taking  $\hat{K}(\bar{q})$  from Table III of the preceding paper.<sup>8</sup> A summary of disorder point estimates is presented in Table I.

#### A. Body-centered-cubic lattice, bcc(1,2)

The disorder-point estimate comes from the [100] nnn direction. Equating to zero the discriminant of the quadratic equation for  $\cos fqa_1$ , we obtain

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = (-3/\rho) \left(1 - \frac{8}{9}\rho^2\right).$$
 (5.1)

Pair correlations in the [110] and [111] directions are ferromagnetic for all  $T > T_c$ . In the [110] direction the leading terms in the pair correlation function are like  $K_1^{2n}$  and  $K_2^{2n}$ , which are always positive. In the [111] direction the discriminant of the relevant cubic for  $\cos fqa_1$  can vanish, but does so at a temperature which lies below  $T_c$  when  $\rho$  is in the physical range  $-\frac{1}{2} \le \rho < 0$ . In the [311] direction the leading term in the pair correlation contains a factor  $(J_1J_2)^n$ , and there will be an estimate  $T_1$  for the disorder point. Analysis of the relevant sextic shows that  $T_1 \gg T_p$ .

#### B. Face-centered-cubic lattice, fcc(1,2)

The disorder-point estimate comes from the [100] nnn direction, and is

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = (-2/\rho) \left( 1 - 2\rho - 2\rho^2 \right).$$
(5.2)

There are no disorder-point estimates from the [110] and [111] directions. In the [310] direction the high-temperature form of the pair correlation function contains an oscillatory factor  $(J_1J_2)^n$ . The disorder-point estimate, obtained by treating the sextic for  $\cos fqa_1$  by the approximate method of Sec. IV D, is

$$k_B T_1 / J_1 \sim 1/27 \rho^2 \tag{5.3}$$

for small  $\rho$ , which is larger than  $T_D$ .

# C. Face-centered-cubic lattice as body-centered-cubic lattice plus simple quadratic layers

This lattice is of interest in connection with the problem of antiferromagnetism in the fcc lattice.<sup>9</sup> A bcc lattice with interaction  $J_1$  is augmented by

simple quadratic layers of nnn bonds with interaction  $J_2$ . The extra bonds are those sides of the basic cubic lattice which lie parallel to the x-yplane. This lattice can be expanded parallel to the z axis to become a regular fcc lattice, without altering the disorder point estimate. We treat the bcc lattice as regular and periodic with cube side a. The nn bond has length  $a_1 = (\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3})a$ , and the nnn quadratic layer bonds have length a. The coordination numbers are  $q_1 = 8$  and  $q_2 = 4$ . The disorder-point estimate comes from the [100] nnn direction, in which the discriminant of the quadratic for  $\cos fqa_1$  vanishes when

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = -2/\rho \,. \tag{5.4}$$

A higher estimate is obtained from the [210] direction, with  $T_1 \sim -1/\rho^3 \gg T_D$  for small  $\rho$ .

# VI. SOME TWO-DIMENSIONAL LATTICES

# A. Simple quadratic lattice, sq(1,2)

The disorder-point estimate for this unsolved two-dimensional lattice comes from the [11] nnn direction, and is

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = -1/\rho . (6.1)$$

Another estimate from the [21] direction comes from solving a cubic for  $\cos f q a_1$  (Table I). Graphs of these  $T_D$  estimates are presented in Fig. 2.

### B. Triangular lattice, t(1,2)

We orient the lattice relative to Cartesian axes as in Fig. 4(d) of the preceding paper.<sup>8</sup> From the nnn axis,  $\vec{e} = \vec{j}$  (y axis) we obtain the disorder-point estimate

$$k_{B}T_{D}/J_{1} = (-1/\rho) (1+3\rho^{2}).$$
(6.2)

When  $\rho = -\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $T_c$  and  $T_D$  are equal, and this expression for  $T_D$  is valid only for  $-\frac{1}{3} < \rho < 0$ , even though  $\rho_c = -\frac{1}{2}$  for the Ising model. Along the nn axis,  $\vec{\mathbf{e}} = \vec{\mathbf{i}}$  (x axis) the discriminant of the cubic for  $\cos\frac{1}{2}qa_1$  vanishes at a temperature  $T_1$  which satisfies  $T_1 > T_D > T_c$  in the range  $-\frac{1}{3} < \rho < 0$ , with equality holding when  $\rho = -\frac{1}{3}$ .

#### C. Union-jack lattice

Now we turn to some soluble one- and twodimensional models, for which the disorder point may be located exactly. This will serve as a test for the validity of the mean-field-theory results when  $J_2$  is small and  $T_D$  is at a high temperature.

By inspection of the lattice, Fig. 4(e) of the preceding paper, we see that nnn bonds spread out only from alternate lattice sites. Accordingly we take the mean-field calculation for sq (1, 2) and replace  $J_2$  by  $\frac{1}{2}J_2$  everywhere to obtain the cor-

Lattice	Direction	$1/K_1$ at $T_D$ or $T_1$	Comments
lc(1, 2)	Along chain	$(-1/4\rho)(1+8\rho^2)$	Asymptotically equal to exact $T_D$ for small $\rho$
lca(1,2)	Along chain	$(-1/4\rho)(1+8\rho^2)$	Disagrees with exact $T_D$ for small $\rho$
sq(1,2)	nn axis, sq edge [10]	8	Ferromagnetic short-range order
	nnn axis, sq diagonal [11]	-1/p .	$T_D$
	[21] direction	$\begin{cases} (2\mu^3 - 9\mu^2 - 36\mu - 2 \Delta )/27\mu, \\ \Delta^2 = (\mu^2 - 3\mu + 6)^3, \ \mu = 1/\rho \end{cases}$	$k_g T_1/J_1 \sim 4/27\rho^2$ , $\rho$ small
h(1, 2)	nn direction	8	Ferromagnetic short-range order
	nnn direction	$(1/2\rho)(1+3\rho^2)$	$T_D$
t(1, 2)	nn axis nnn axis	$1/27\rho^2 - 2/3\rho + 1 - 2\rho$ $(-1/\rho)(1 + 3\rho^2)$	$m{T}_1$ $m{T}_D$
$\operatorname{sc}(1,2)$	nn axis, cube edge [100]	8	Ferromagnetic short-range order
	nnn axis, face diagonal [110]	$(-2/\rho)(1+ ho+ ho^2)$	$T_1$
	third-nn axis, body diagonal [111]	-3/2p	$T_D$
•	[210] direction	$\begin{cases} 2(4\mu^3 + 3\mu^2 + 3\mu - 23 -  \Delta )/27\mu \\ \Delta^2 = 2(2\mu^3 + \mu + 2)^3, \ \mu = 1/\mu \end{cases}$	$k_{\rm B}T_1/J_1 \sim 16/27 \rho^2$ , $ ho$ small
bcc(1, 2) fcc(1, 2)	nnn axis, cube edge [100] nnn axis, cube edge [100]	$(-3/\rho)(1-\frac{8}{9}\rho^2)$ $(-2/\rho)(1-2\rho-2\rho^2)$	$\begin{cases} T_{D}, [110] \text{ and } [111] \text{ ferromagnetic} \\ \text{ short-range order} \end{cases}$
d(1,2)	nnn axis, cube edge [100]	$(-3/4\rho)(1+\frac{16}{9}\rho^2)$	$T_D$
Triangular lattice or sq plus one set of mm bonds	nnn axis, sq diagonal	$(-1/2\rho)(1+8\rho^2)$	$\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text{Asymptotically equal to exact } T_D \text{ for small } \rho.\\ & \underline{\text{Sq} \text{ edge and diagonal: ferromagnetic}} \\ \text{ short-range order} \end{array}\right.$
union-jack	nnn axis, sq diagonal	$-1/\rho$ , same as $sq(1,2)$	Asymptotically equal to exact $T_D$ for small $\rho$
fcc as bcc plus sq layers	nnn axis, sq edges [100]	-2/ρ	$T_D$

TABLE I. Mean-field values of  $T_D$  and  $T_1$ .<sup>a</sup>

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have been entered in the table.

responding result for the union-jack lattice.

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = -1/\rho , \qquad (6.3)$$

with  $q_1 = 4$  and  $q_2 = 2$  (average coordination number). This can be compared with the exact result<sup>3</sup>

$$\tanh 2K_2 + (\tanh 2K_1)^2 = 0,$$
 (6.4)

which at high temperatures, for small  $J_2$ , takes the form

$$2K_2 + 4K_1^2 \sim 0, (6.5)$$

whence the validity of (6.3) for small  $J_2$  is confirmed.

# D. Triangular lattice

The exactly soluble Ising triangular lattice may be regarded as a nn square lattice with interaction  $J_1$ , plus a single set of diagonal bonds  $J_2$ . Figures 4(d) and 4(f) of the preceding paper illustrate the triangular lattice in its regular triangular form and in the distorted square lattice form. The form of  $\chi$  depends on the shape of the lattice. The disorder-point estimate is the same for both forms



FIG. 2. Graphs of disorder-point estimates for the [11] and [21] directions of the simple quadratic (square) lattice sq(1, 2), against interaction ratio  $\rho$ .

of the triangular lattice, since it depends only on the connectivity of the lattice and not on its geometrical shape. In the nnn directions we obtain (different) quadratic equations for  $\cos fqa_1$  (and different f values), but the condition that the discriminants vanish yields the same estimate for the disorder point:

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = (-1/2\rho) (1 + 8\rho^2) .$$
(6.6)

Along nn directions, correlations are ferromagnetic.

For the general triangular lattice (in triangular shape) with three interactions  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$ , and  $J_3$  along the three lattice axes, one readily obtains, parallel to the  $J_3$  direction,

$$1/\chi = 1 - [2(K_1 + K_2)\cos qa_1 + 2K_3\cos 2qa_1],$$
(6.7)

which reduces correctly on equating appropriate pairs of interactions to  $J_1$ , and calling the remaining interaction  $J_2$ . In general, if  $J_3$  is the antiferromagnetic interaction, then the disorder point is given by the vanishing of the discriminant, so that

$$(K_1 + K_2)^2 + 4K_3(1 + 2K_3) = 0.$$
(6.8)

When  $J_3$  is small, (6.8) becomes

$$-K_3^{-\frac{1}{4}}(K_1+K_2)^2.$$
(6.9)

This should be compared with the exact result<sup>2,3</sup>

$$\tanh K_1 \tanh K_2 + \tanh K_3 = 0, \qquad (6.10)$$

which for small  $J_3$  at high temperatures takes the form

$$-K_3 \sim K_1 K_2$$
, (6.11)

which differs from the mean-field result (6.9). This is an unsatisfactory property of the meanfield model.

#### **VII. ONE-DIMENSIONAL LATTICES**

A. lc(1,2), mean-field formula for  $\chi$ 

For the linear chain with all nnn interactions, lc(1,2), Fig. 4(a), Ref. 8,

$$1/\chi = 1 - [2K_1 \cos qa + 2K_2 \cos 2qa], \qquad (7.1)$$

with  $\vec{e} = \vec{i}$ , parallel to the chain along the x axis. The disorder point is at

$$k_B T_D / J_1 = (-1/4\rho) \left(1 + 8\rho^2\right), \qquad (7.2)$$

with  $\rho > -\frac{1}{4}$  so  $T_p > T_c$ . For small  $\rho$ ,

$$k_B T_D / J_1 \sim -1/4\rho , \qquad (7.3)$$

in agreement with the high-temperature small- $\rho$  form of the exact formula locating  $T_D$ , <sup>3,10</sup>

$$\tanh K_2 + (\tanh \frac{1}{2}K_1)^2 = 0.$$
 (7.4)

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It is of interest to note that the mean-field model is also an approximation to the Heisenberg model. In one dimension, the classical spin (Heisenberg) model undergoes a change in the nature of its ground state at precisely the ratio  $\rho_c = -\frac{1}{4}$ . For  $\rho_c < \rho < 0$ , spin correlations show a "spiral" structure.<sup>11</sup> A similar behavior occurs for the Heisenberg chain with antiferromagnetic nnn interactions, with apparently the same critical value for  $\rho_c$ .<sup>11,12</sup>

### B. lca(1,2), mean-field formula for $\chi$

For the linear chain with alternate nnn interactions, Fig. 4(b), Ref. 8, we replace  $J_2$  by  $\frac{1}{2}J_2$  in all the formulas for lc (1, 2), and use an average coordination number  $q_2 = 1$ , so for small  $\rho$ ,

$$k_B T_D / J_1 \sim -1/4\rho . (7.5)$$

This is now in disagreement with the high-temperature small- $\rho$  form of the exact formula for  $T_D$ 

$$\tanh K_2 + (\tanh K_1)^2 = 0.$$
 (7.6)

The cause of this discrepancy is discussed below.

#### C. Exact and approximate formulas for $\chi$

The exact expression for the Fourier transform of the pair correlation function for these one-dimensional models takes the form<sup>8,13</sup>

$$\chi = N/D . \tag{7.7}$$

In the case of the lca (1, 2), the numerator contains terms in 1/T, whereas for lc (1, 2) the first temperature-dependent term is of order  $(1/T)^2$ . The reciprocal range of order and the disorder point can be extracted *correctly* from the requirement that the denominator vanish, to give  $\chi$  a simple pole. But, in the mean-field model, all terms in 1/T are collected together in the denominator, so setting  $1/\chi = 0$  gives a wrong result for the lca (1, 2). Of course, to order 1/T, there is agreement between the expansions of  $\chi$  from the mean-field and the exact formulas.

### D. lca(1,2), exact formula for $\chi$

Reference to the preceding paper<sup>8</sup> shows that the exact denominator for  $\chi$  is, putting a = 1,

$$D = 1 - 2x \cos 2q + x^2, \tag{7.8}$$

where

$$x = \frac{\cosh 2K_1 - e^{-2K_2}}{\cosh 2K_1 + e^{-2K_2}},$$
(7.9)

so the solution of  $1/\chi = 0$  is

$$\cos 2q = \frac{1}{2}(x + x^{-1})$$
 or  $x = e^{2iq}$ . (7.10)

The reciprocal range of order is now

$$= -iq = -\frac{1}{2}\ln|x|, \qquad (7.11)$$

as derived previously from direct inspection of the correlation decay.<sup>10</sup> Expansion of the numerator to order 1/T yields

$$N^{-1} + 2K_1 \cos q - K_2 \cos 2q , \qquad (7.12)$$

On the other hand, expansion of  $\chi$  to order 1/T yields

$$\chi \sim 1 + 2K_1 \cos q + K_2 \cos 2q + \cdots,$$
 (7.13)

which is the same as one obtains from the meanfield expression.

### E. lc(1,2), exact formula for $\chi$

Again, reference to the preceding paper<sup>8</sup> shows that the exact denominator for  $\chi$  is

$$D = (1 - 2x\cos q + x^2) (1 - 2y\cos q + y^2), \qquad (7.14)$$

with x and y defined as in (5.7), and (5.8) of Ref. 8:

$$x = \mu_{+} / \lambda_{+}, \quad y = \mu_{-} / \lambda_{+}.$$
 (7.15)

Now  $\chi$  has simple poles when

$$e^{iq} = x, \quad 1/x, \quad y, \quad \text{or} \quad 1/y.$$
 (7.16)

The solution for q with the smallest imaginary part is then

$$q = i \ln(1/x)$$
, (7.17)

so the reciprocal range of order below  $T_D$  is<sup>10</sup>

$$\kappa = \ln(1/x) \tag{7.18}$$

as expected. Above  $T_D$ , x and y become complex, and |x| = |y|. We may set  $\mu_{\pm} = \mu e^{\pm i\theta}$  so

$$q = i \ln(\lambda_{+}/\mu) + \theta. \qquad (7.19)$$

q acquires a real part at  $T_D$ . In previously introduced notation,<sup>8,10</sup> we have

$$\tan\theta = \left| \Delta' \right| / (a - b), \qquad (7.20)$$

with  $\theta$  (and  $\Delta'$ ) vanishing at  $T_D$ .

The expansion of the numerator N in powers of 1/T contains no terms of first order, 1/T. Therefore the denominator D and the mean-field expression for  $\chi$  are in agreement to first order in 1/T. Consequently, the mean-field disorder-point estimate is in agreement with the high-temperature small- $\rho$  form of the exact result, as discussed earlier.

# VIII. EFFECTS OF CHANGING THE SHAPE OF A LATTICE

The lattices discussed in this paper can be drawn in a variety of different shapes. For example, consider the triangular lattice of Sec. VID. Any reasonable formula for the disorder point must of course be unaltered by a change in the

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shape of a lattice, since disorder points, and critical points too, depend only on the connectivity and interactions within a lattice structure. On the other hand,  $\chi$  can undergo changes in form when a lattice is distorted. The question arises as to how the poles of  $\chi$  move, and how, nevertheless, the disorder-point estimates remain the same, under lattice distortion.

In general,

$$\chi(\mathbf{\bar{q}},T) = \sum_{\mathbf{\bar{r}}} e^{i \mathbf{\bar{q}} \cdot \mathbf{\bar{r}}} \Gamma(\mathbf{\bar{r}}) .$$
(8.1)

Now  $\Gamma(\bar{T})$  can be expressed in such a way that the actual vector  $\bar{T}$  is no longer explicitly involved, but only the connectivity of the lattice points is important. Suppose for a given wave vector  $\bar{q} = q\bar{e}$  we alter all the lattice vectors  $\bar{T}$  in such a way that

$$\mathbf{\dot{r}} - \mathbf{\ddot{r}} + \lambda(\mathbf{\ddot{r}}) \mathbf{\ddot{e}}_{\perp}, \qquad (8.2)$$

where  $\lambda(\mathbf{\bar{r}})$  depends on  $\mathbf{\bar{r}}$ , but  $\mathbf{\bar{e}}_{\perp}$  is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{\bar{e}}$ , so all the lattice displacements are perpendicular to the wave vector. Then  $\mathbf{\bar{q}} \cdot \mathbf{\bar{e}}_{\perp} = 0$  and  $\chi$ is unaltered by the lattice distortion for the particular wave vector  $\mathbf{\bar{q}}$  under consideration. In particular, estimates of  $T_D$  from the condition  $1/\chi = 0$  in the direction  $\mathbf{\bar{e}}$  will be unchanged.

### A. Linear chain, lc(1,2)

Referring to Fig. 4(a) of the preceding paper, we take  $\overline{e} = \overline{i}$  parallel to the chain, and distort the chain in a perpendicular direction  $(\overline{j})$ . The projections of nn and nnn lattice vectors  $\overline{a}_1$  and  $\overline{a}_2$  onto  $\overline{e}$  are unaltered, and  $\chi$  is unchanged.

## B. Triangular lattice

As discussed in Sec. VID, we wish to consider a distorted form of triangular lattice which is square in shape, as in Figs. 4(d) and 4(f) of the preceding paper. When  $\bar{q}$  is parallel to a nnn diagonal axis with interaction  $J_2$ , we obtain the disorder point estimate of Sec. VID, (6.6). The distortion may be achieved by (relative) movement of all lattice sites in a direction perpendicular to  $\bar{e}$ , thereby altering the nn distances  $a_1$  but keeping  $a_2$  unchanged.  $\chi$  is unaltered by this process (Table III, Ref. 8, entries under t, triangular lattice, in nnn directions). Similarly if  $\overline{e}$  is perpendicular to a nnn lattice axis, then a distortion can again be made from square to triangular form. On the other hand, when  $\overline{e}$  is parallel to the x axis, the expressions for  $\chi$  differ (Table III, Ref. 8, entries under t, in nn directions with  $\overline{e} = \overline{i}$ ).

# C. Face-centered cubic

The face-centered-cubic lattice as a body-centered-cubic lattice plus simple quadratic (square) lattice layers has been discussed in Sec. VII. If the nn bcc distance is  $a_1$ , then the nnn sq lattice side is  $a_2 = (2/\sqrt{3})a_1$ . A distortion parallel to the z axis, k direction, converts the lattice to a regular fcc lattice with all bond lengths equal. All the bcc bonds of length  $a_1$  are stretched by the same amount. The disorder-point estimates from directions of the wave vector lying in the x-y plane are unaffected by this lattice distortion.

#### IX. CONCLUSION

A summary of our disorder-point calculations is presented in Table I. The disorder point has been obtained by locating the temperature at which the reciprocal range of order becomes complex. For the mean-field model, the range of order is given by the zeros of  $1/\chi$  in (3.1). Even though the meanfield-model expression for  $1/\chi$  is in exact agreement with the Ising-model to order 1/T, it does not necessarily follow that the zeros of  $1/\chi$  are in such agreement. Therefore, the mean-field values of the disorder point are not necessarily in exact agreement with the Ising-model values when  $\rho$ has small negative values. However, fortuitous agreement is obtained for some exactly soluble Ising lattices, triangular, union-jack, and lc(1,2), but not for the lca(1,2), for reasons given in Sec. VII. It is to be hoped, therefore, that a more reliable way of estimating the small- $\rho$  high-temperature behavior of  $T_p$  can be devised, possibly via a direct analysis of power series expansions for the correlation functions themselves.

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