

Hard Problems : Transverse-Field Ising Model.

$$H_{TFIM} = -J \left[\sum_x g X_x - \sum_{\langle xy \rangle} z_x z_y \right]$$

① symmetries:

• $S = \prod_x X_x$

$\mathbb{Z}_2: S^2 = \mathbb{1}$.

$[H_{TFIM}, S] = 0$.

$[X_x X_y, z_x z_y] = 0$.

• translation symm.

② limits. $H_{g \rightarrow \infty} = - \sum_x X_x$

$g = \infty$

$X_x |gs\rangle = +1 |gs\rangle \quad \forall x$

$\Rightarrow |gs\rangle_\infty = \bigotimes_x | \rightarrow \rangle_x$

$X | \rightarrow \rangle = X \left(\frac{|\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$

$S |gs\rangle_\infty = |gs\rangle_\infty$

$= \frac{|\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = | \rightarrow \rangle$

"paramagnet".

$$\boxed{g=0} \quad H_0 = -J \sum_x z_x z_{x+1}$$

$$|+\rangle = |\uparrow \dots \uparrow\rangle, \quad |-\rangle = |\downarrow \dots \downarrow\rangle.$$

$$S| \pm \rangle = | \mp \rangle. \quad \text{Not symmetric!}$$

$$| \text{cat} \pm \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+\rangle \pm |-\rangle)$$

$$S| \text{cat} \pm \rangle = \pm | \text{cat} \pm \rangle$$

even worse: if $g > 0$ and $V < \infty$

then $| \text{cat} \pm \rangle$ is the groundstate!

But: Degenerate pert thry: $| \pm \rangle$.

$$\Delta H = - \sum_x \underline{gJ X_x}$$

$$Q: \langle - | (\Delta H)^n | + \rangle \neq 0 \quad ?$$

requires $n=V$!

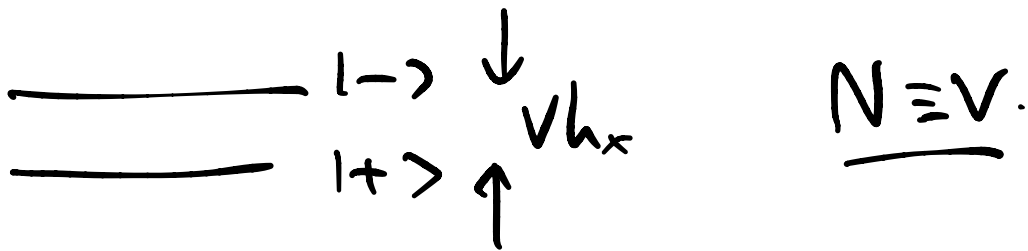
$$T = \langle - | (\Delta H)^n | + \rangle \propto (gJ)^V \xrightarrow{V \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

$$\sim e^{-V | \ln gJ |}$$

• $|\text{cat}_+\rangle = \frac{|\uparrow \dots \uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow \dots \downarrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

is unstable to coupling to any environment
 $\longrightarrow |\uparrow \dots \uparrow\rangle$ OR $|\downarrow \dots \downarrow\rangle$.

• Add a longitudinal field $\Delta H = -\sum_x h_x Z_x$
explicitly breaks S. $[S, \Delta H] \neq 0$.



$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^\pm} |gs\rangle \neq \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^\pm} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} |gs\rangle = |\pm\rangle$$

$$= |\text{cat}_\pm\rangle$$

SSB happens
 in the thermodynamic
 limit.

$H_{q=0}$ is a ferromagnet

physics!
spontaneously breaks
 (Z_2) spin symmetry but
 preserves lattice symmetry

FERROMAGNET

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J_c

PARAMAGNET

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of g.s.

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Topological \equiv can't change smoothly.

③ elementary excitations

$g \gg 1$

$$H = H_{\infty} - J \sum z z$$

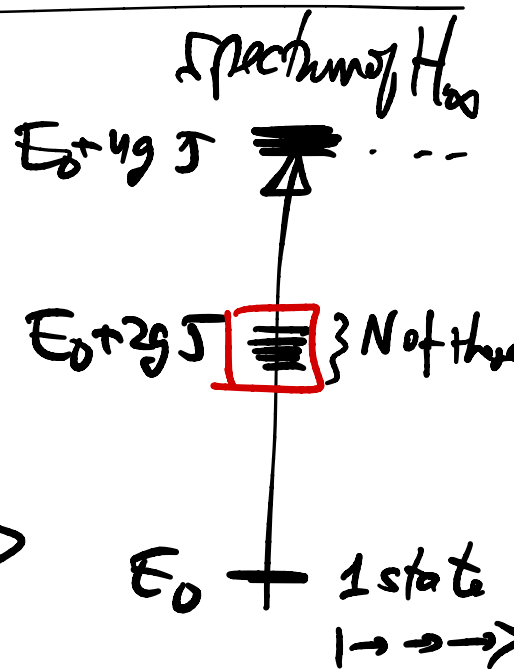
$$H_{\infty} = -gJ \sum_x \lambda_x$$

eigenstate: $g \ll z_0 = | \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \dots \rangle$
has $E_0 = -gJN$

first excited states:

$|n\rangle \equiv | \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \leftarrow \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \rangle$
↑
nth site

$$(H_{\infty} - E_0)|n\rangle = 2gJ|n\rangle$$



Degen. Pert Th: Mix $|n\rangle$. by $\Delta H = -J \sum z_i z_{i+1}$

$$z_i |\rightarrow\rangle = |\leftarrow\rangle.$$

ASSUME $d=1$.

$$z_j z_{j+1} |\rightarrow_j \leftarrow_{j+1}\rangle = |\leftarrow_j \rightarrow_{j+1}\rangle$$

$$z_j z_{j+1} |n\rangle \left\{ \begin{array}{l} = |\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \leftarrow_{n \quad n+1} \rightarrow \dots \rangle = |n+1\rangle \\ \quad \quad \quad \checkmark \quad j=n \\ = |\rightarrow \dots \leftarrow_{n-1 \quad n} \rightarrow \rangle = |n-1\rangle \\ \quad \quad \quad \checkmark \quad j=n-1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle n \pm 1 | \sum_j z_j z_{j+1} |n\rangle = 1.$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} |n\rangle = -J (|n+1\rangle + |n-1\rangle) + (E_0 + 2gJ) |n\rangle.$$

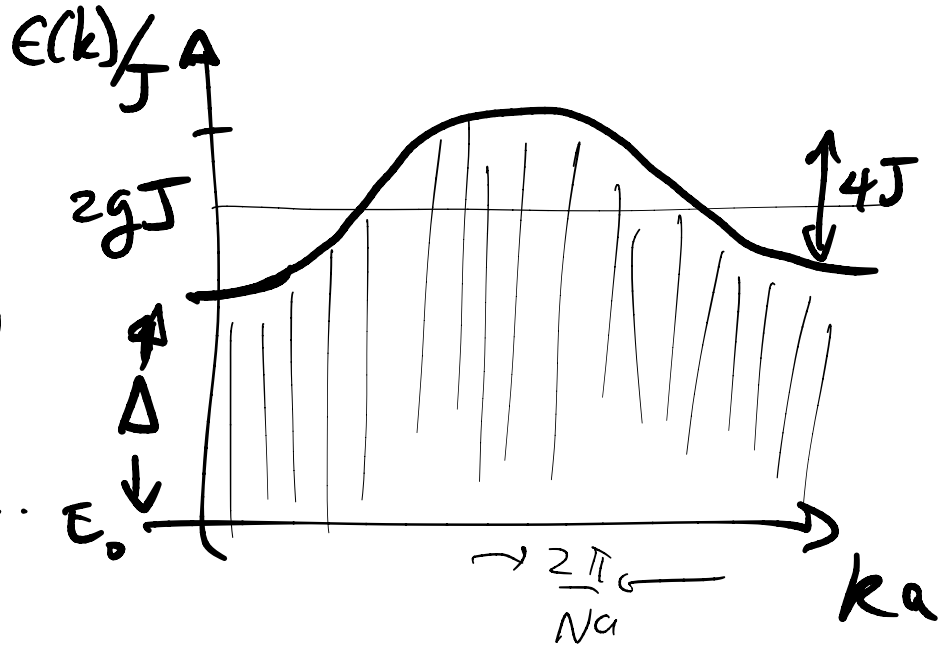
$$\text{PBC: } |n+N\rangle = |n\rangle.$$

$$|n\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j e^{-ikx_j} |k\rangle \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_j = ja \\ k = \frac{2\pi m}{Na} \\ m = 1 \dots N \end{array} \right.$$

$$(H - E_0) |k\rangle = (-2J \cos ka + 2gJ) |k\rangle$$

$$E(k) = 2J(g - \cos ka)$$

$$k \rightarrow 0 \sim \Delta + \underline{J(ka)^2} + \dots$$



$$\Delta = 2J(g - 1) = \underline{\text{energy gap.}}$$

$$E = \underset{\uparrow}{\Delta} + \frac{k^2}{2M}$$

rest energy

massive

$$M = \text{inertial mass} \\ = (2Ja^2)^{-1}$$

These particles are called spin waves.

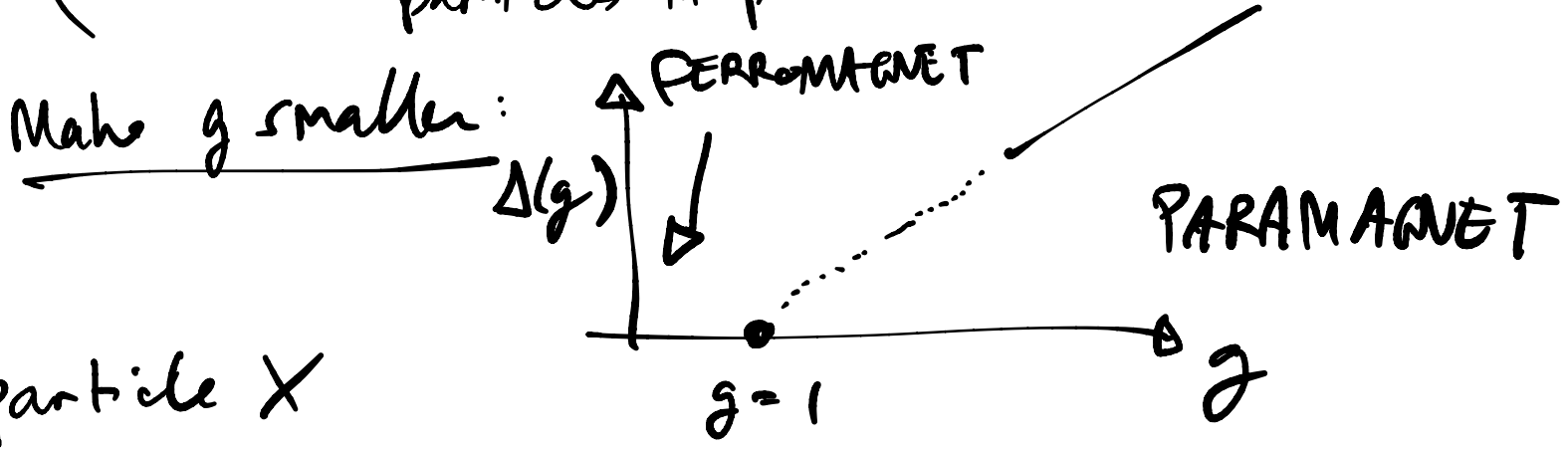
$$|n\rangle = \sum_n |g_{\alpha}^n\rangle$$

$$Z_n^2 = 1.$$

These particles are their own antiparticles.

Number operator: $\sum_j (-X_j)$

(only conserved mod 2.
 $H \ni \mathbb{Z}_2$ creates
particles in pairs.)



"Condenses" $\equiv \langle a_X^\dagger \rangle \neq 0$.
 \uparrow creates particle X.

Condense spin
flips $\iff \langle z \rangle \neq 0$.
ferro-magnet.



$g \ll 1$ $|+\rangle$ eigenstate of $H_0 = -J \sum z z$
 $= |\uparrow \dots \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow\rangle \quad \hookrightarrow \quad E_0 = -JN$

Excited state:

$|\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \dots \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow\rangle$
 $-J z z = +J \quad +J$

$|\uparrow \dots \uparrow \cdot \downarrow \cdot \uparrow \uparrow \dots \uparrow\rangle$
 $= X_j |+\rangle$

$(H - E_0)(\downarrow) = (2J + 2J)(\quad)$

$|\uparrow \dots \uparrow \cdot \downarrow \downarrow \cdot \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow\rangle$

$(H - E_0)(\downarrow) = (2J + 2J)(\quad)$ same!

elementary exc: domain wall. rest energy $2J$.

w/ PBC, DWs can only be created in pairs.
 perturbed by
 $\Delta H = -J \sum_i g X_i$.

$$X_{j+1} | \dots \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow_j \cdot \downarrow_{j+1} \downarrow \dots \downarrow \rangle$$

$| \bar{j} \rangle$

$$= | \dots \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow_j \uparrow_{j+1} \cdot \downarrow_{j+2} \dots \rangle$$

$= | \bar{j} + 1 \rangle$

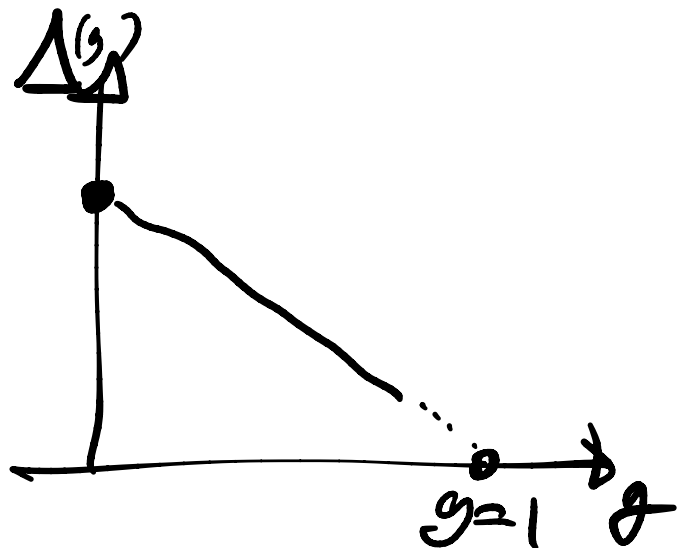
$$(H_{\text{eff}} - E_0) | \bar{j} \rangle = -gJ (| \bar{j} + 1 \rangle + | \bar{j} - 1 \rangle + 2J | \bar{j} \rangle)$$

$$\leadsto E_{\text{one DW}}(k) = 2J (1 - g \cos ka)$$

$$\Delta_{\text{DW}} = 2J(1-g)$$

actual

$$\Delta \approx 2 \Delta_{\text{DW}}$$



step
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Mean Field Theory

$$\langle \psi | H | \psi \rangle \geq E_{\text{actual gs.}}$$

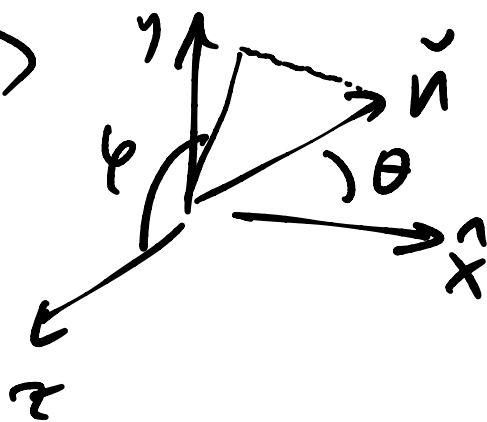
$$\bullet | \text{MFT} \rangle = |\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\psi_N\rangle$$

ansatz: \bullet assume $\psi_x = \psi \quad \forall x.$

$$| \tilde{N} \rangle = \bigotimes_x | \uparrow_{\tilde{n}} \rangle_x$$

$$= \bigotimes_x \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi/2} | \rightarrow \rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{-i\varphi/2} | \leftarrow \rangle \right)_x$$

$$\theta = 0 = \varphi \text{ is } | \rightarrow \rangle$$



$$\langle \uparrow_{\tilde{n}} | X | \uparrow_{\tilde{n}} \rangle = \cos \theta$$

$$\langle \uparrow_{\tilde{n}} | Z | \uparrow_{\tilde{n}} \rangle = \sin \theta \cos \varphi.$$

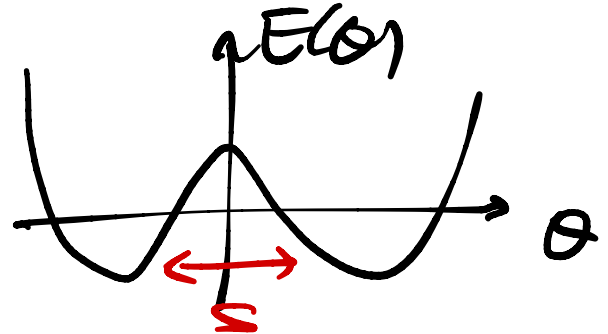
$$E(\theta, \psi) \equiv \langle \tilde{n} | \hat{H}_{\text{TFIM}} | \tilde{n} \rangle$$

$$= -NJ \left(\underline{\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \psi} + g \cos \theta \right)$$

Minimize over ψ, θ .

$\psi = 0$.

$g < g_c$

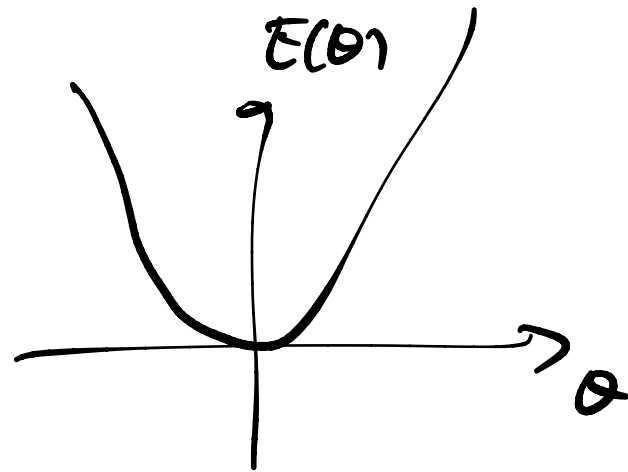


\rightarrow

$g > g_c = 2$

$\langle z_j \rangle = \sin \theta \neq 0$

$g > g_c$



$g < g_c$

$\langle z_j \rangle = 0$.

Approach $g \rightarrow g_c^+$: θ is small.

$E(\theta) \simeq NJ \left(-2 + \frac{g-2}{2} \theta^2 + \frac{1}{4} \theta^4 \right)$

$\langle z_j \rangle \simeq \sin \theta \simeq \theta = \begin{cases} \pm \sqrt{g_c - g} & g < g_c \\ 0 & g > g_c \end{cases}$

Notice: $E(m) = r m^2 + u m^4 + ct + \dots$

$m = \langle z \rangle$

$r(g) \propto g - g_c$

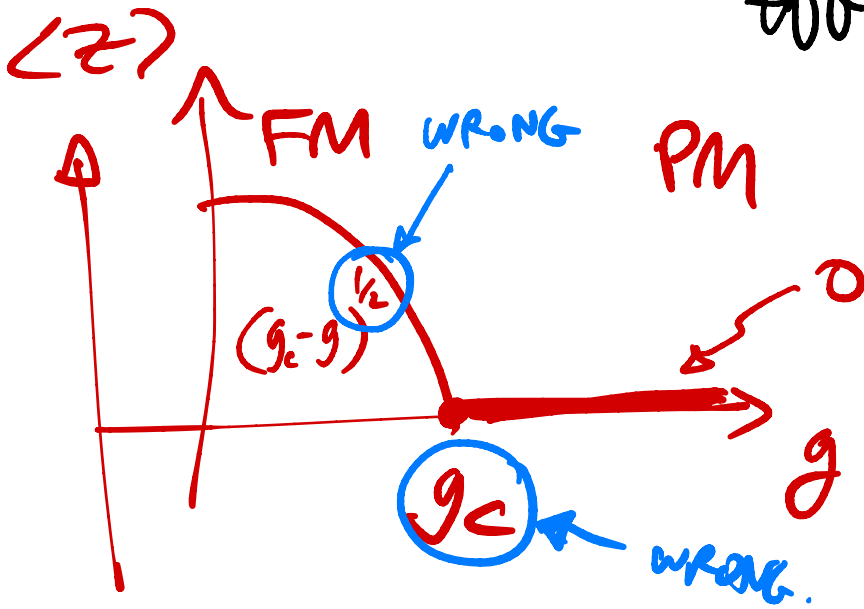
(near transition)

- should be analytic in m

- even in $m \rightarrow -m$ (z_2)

(what else could it be?)

Landau-Ginzburg effective action



"condensate of spin flips"

$$\begin{aligned}
 & X(z | \rightarrow) \\
 &= X(z | \rightarrow) \\
 &= -z X(z | \rightarrow) \\
 &= -z | \rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$