

# Probability distribution function of the 2d Ising order parameter



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# Recap from Adam's talk

Sums of random variables

$(X_1 + \dots + X_n) \rightarrow ?$

- Universality: small number of limit distributions.
- Beyond CLT/Lévy distributions: strongly correlated variables  
→ e.g Ising spins!

$$\hat{S}_i = \pm 1, \quad P(\{\hat{S}_i\}) \propto e^{-\beta H(\{\hat{S}_i\})}, \quad H = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \hat{S}_i \hat{S}_j$$

*L*: box size,  
*d*: dimension.

$$\hat{S} = \frac{1}{L^d} \sum_i \hat{S}_i, \quad P(\hat{S} = s) = ?$$

# Rate function

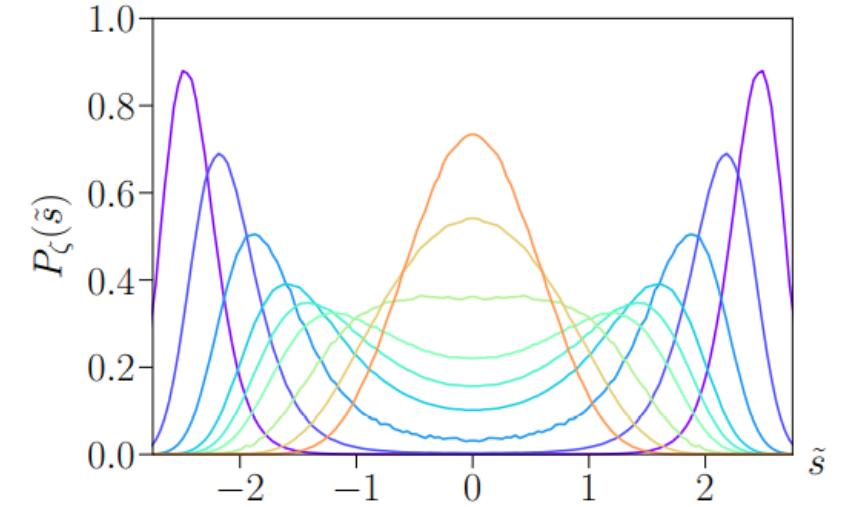
Critical Ising spins, correlation length  $\xi_\infty$ .

Rate function:  $P_\zeta(\hat{s} = s) \approx \exp(-L^d I(s, \xi_\infty, L))$ .

Scaling hypothesis:  $L^d I(s, \xi_\infty, L) = I_\zeta(\tilde{s})$ .

$$\tilde{s} = L^{(d-2+\eta)/2} s, |\zeta| = L/\xi_\infty.$$

$\text{sign}(\zeta) = (-1)$  in the (broken) symmetry phase.



$P_\zeta(\tilde{s})$  vs  $\tilde{s}$  for  $\zeta = -4, -3, \dots, 4$ .

3d Ising model, periodic boundaries.

Monte-Carlo simulations.

[Balog, Rançon, Delamotte, PRL '22]

# FRG approach for the rate function

- $S$ :  **$\phi^4$  theory**, describes Ising near criticality.

Order parameter: magnetization  $\langle \hat{\phi} \rangle$ .

Sum of spins  $\rightarrow \hat{s} = L^{-d} \int_x \hat{\phi}(x)$ .

$$P(\hat{s} = s) = \mathcal{N} \int \mathcal{D}[\hat{\phi}] \delta(s - \hat{s}) e^{-S[\hat{\phi}]} = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{N} \int \mathcal{D}[\hat{\phi}] e^{-\frac{M^2}{2}(s - \hat{s})^2} e^{-S[\hat{\phi}]}.$$

# FRG approach for the rate function

$$S_M[\hat{\phi}] = S[\hat{\phi}] + \frac{M^2}{2} \left( \int_x (\hat{\phi}(x) - s) \right)^2$$

- $M = 0$ : original action.
- $M \rightarrow \infty$ : PDF, zero mode frozen!

- FRG: regulator  $R_k$ , RG scale  $k$ , modified Legendre transform

$$\Gamma_{M,k}[\phi] = -\ln \mathcal{Z}_{M,k}[J] + \int_x J_x \phi_x - \frac{1}{2} \sum_q \phi_q \phi_{-q} R_k(q) - \frac{M^2}{2} \left( \int_x (\phi_x - s) \right)^2.$$

- $\Gamma_{M,k}$  defined to have good limits for  $M, k$  large.
- $\Gamma_{M,k}$  is independent of  $s$ !

# Constraint effective action

$$\check{\Gamma}_k = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \Gamma_{M,k}: \text{constraint effective action.}$$

- Constraint:  $M \rightarrow \infty \sim \text{large mass}$  only for the mode  $q = 0$ .
- Flow equations are the same with **zero mode frozen**  
→ explicit **box size dependency!**

$$\check{\Gamma}(\phi \rightarrow \text{const.}) = L^d I_{\zeta}(\phi).$$

# Flow of the rate function: LPA

$$\partial_k \check{\Gamma}_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left\{ \partial_k R_k \left( \check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}[\phi] + R_k \right)^{-1} \right\}$$

Propagator  $G_k(q) = (\Gamma_k^{(2)}(q) + R_k(q))^{-1}$ .

Within LPA  $\Gamma_k^{(2)}(q) = q^2 + \partial_\phi^2 U_k$ .

$\Gamma_k \rightarrow \check{\Gamma}_k$ : replace  $U_k \rightarrow I_k$ .

[see also Fister  
and Pawłowski '15]

$$\partial_k U_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q \partial_k R_k(q) G_k(q) \quad \partial_k I_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{q \neq 0} \partial_k R_k(q) G_k(q)$$

- Equations **identical** up to the removal of the zero mode.
- $L^{-1}$  acts as an **infrared cutoff**:  $I_{k \rightarrow 0}$  has a finite limit.

$$q = \frac{2\pi}{L}(n_1, \dots, n_d), \\ n_i \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

**$d = 3$ :**  
**LPA works well!**

# Going to $d = 2$

$d = 2?$

- $Z[h] = \langle e^{hs} \rangle$ : moment generating functional of  $P(s)$ .
- Interest : **stronger correlations**; no exact results.
- **LPA not enough!** Need to include field corrections:  $\eta^{\text{LPA}} = 0$ !

# How to deal with discrete modes

- Beyond LPA: derivative expansion.
- Gradient expansion of  $\Gamma_k$ : discrete modes ?

$$\Gamma_k^{\text{DE}_2}[\phi] = \int_x \frac{Z_k(\phi)}{2} (\nabla\phi)^2 + U_k(\phi).$$

Question:

What does it mean to expand at small  $q$  when  $q$  is **discrete**?

# A concrete case: DE<sub>2</sub>

$$\check{\Gamma}_k^{\text{DE}_2}[\phi] = \int_X \frac{Z_k(\phi)}{2} (\nabla\phi)^2 + I_k(\phi) ? \quad Z_k(\phi) = ?$$

- **Discrete variable:**  $Z_k(\phi) = \partial_{p^2} \check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p; \phi)|_{p \rightarrow 0}$  not allowed.

$$p_n = \frac{2\pi}{L}(n, 0, \dots, 0).$$

$$Z_k(\phi) = \frac{\check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p_1; \phi) - \check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(0; \phi)}{p_1^2} ?$$

# Propagator flow equation

- No! Due to **zero mode discrepancy** between  $p = 0$  and  $p \neq 0$ !

$$\partial_k \check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p; \phi) = \frac{1}{2L^d} \sum_{q \neq 0} \partial_k \check{G}_k(q; \phi) \check{\Gamma}_k^{(4)}(p, -p, q, -q; \phi)$$
$$- \frac{1}{2L^d} \sum_{\substack{q \neq 0, -p}} \partial_k (\check{G}_k(q; \phi) \check{G}_k(q + p; \phi)) \check{\Gamma}_k^{(3)}(p, q, -q - p; \phi) \check{\Gamma}_k^{(3)}(-p, -q, p + q; \phi).$$

- Formally, for  $p > 0$

$$\check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p; \phi) - \check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(0; \phi) \simeq \Delta_{0,k}(\phi) + p^2 Z_k(\phi) + O(p^4).$$

(Recall  $\check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(0; \phi) = I_k''(\phi)$ .)

# DE<sub>2</sub> parameterization

- Solution: *Ansatz*,

$$\check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p; \phi) = \begin{cases} I_k''(\phi) & \text{if } p = 0, \\ I_k''(\phi) + \Delta_{0,k}(\phi) + Z_k(\phi)p^2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Flows of  $\Delta_{0,k}(\phi)$ ,  $Z_k(\phi)$  deduced from  $\check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p_n; \phi)$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2$ .
- Differs from “actual” DE<sub>2</sub> Ansatz: **vertices have to be inferred!**

e.g.  $\check{\Gamma}_k^{(3)}(p, q, -p - q; \phi) = I_k'''(\phi) + \Delta'_{0,k}(\phi) + Z'_k(\phi)(p^2 + q^2 + p \cdot q)$ .

# BMW approach

- Other idea: the celebrated Blaizot-Méndez-Galain-Wschebor (BMW) approximation. [Blaizot et coll., PRE '06] [Benitez et coll., PRE '09]
- Close flow equations of  $\check{\Gamma}_k^{(2)}(p_n)$ :  
full momentum dependence! (Not a vertex truncation!)
- Solves by “brute force” the zero-mode problem.

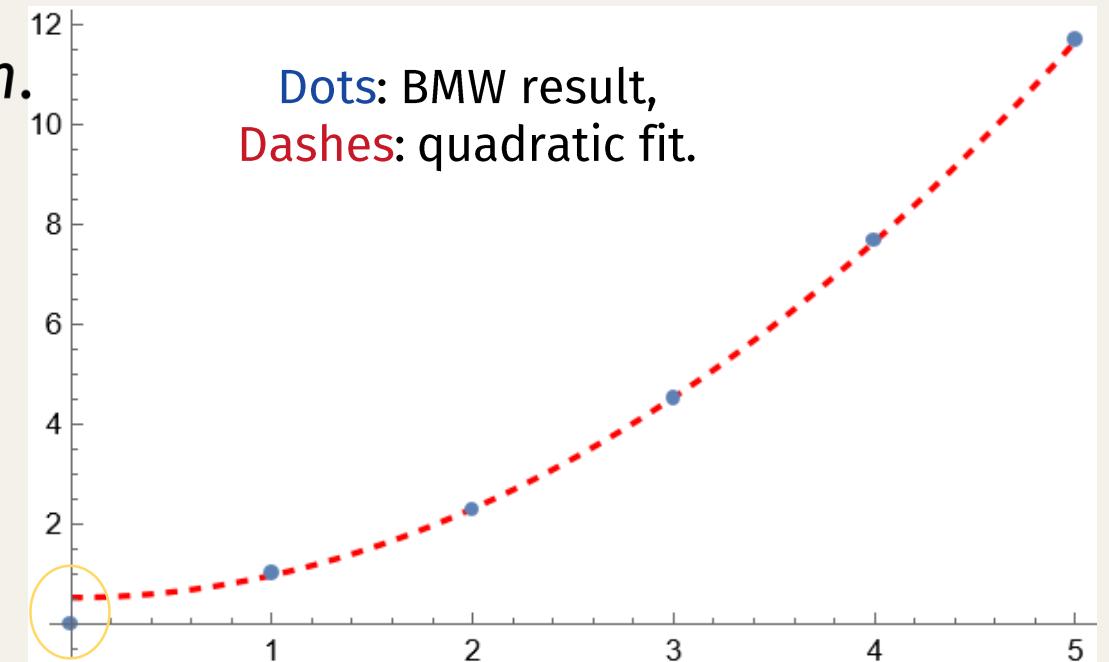
# BMW results

- Blaizot-Méndez-Galain-Wschebor (BMW) approximation:  
Full momentum dependence of  $\check{\Gamma}_{k=0}^{(2)}(p_n)$ .

$$\check{\Gamma}_{k=0}^{(2)}(p_n; \phi) - \check{\Gamma}_{k=0}^{(2)}(0; \phi) \text{ vs. } n.$$

- Discrepancy between  $n = 0$  and  $n > 0$ !

$$p_n = \frac{2\pi}{L}(n, 0, \dots, 0).$$



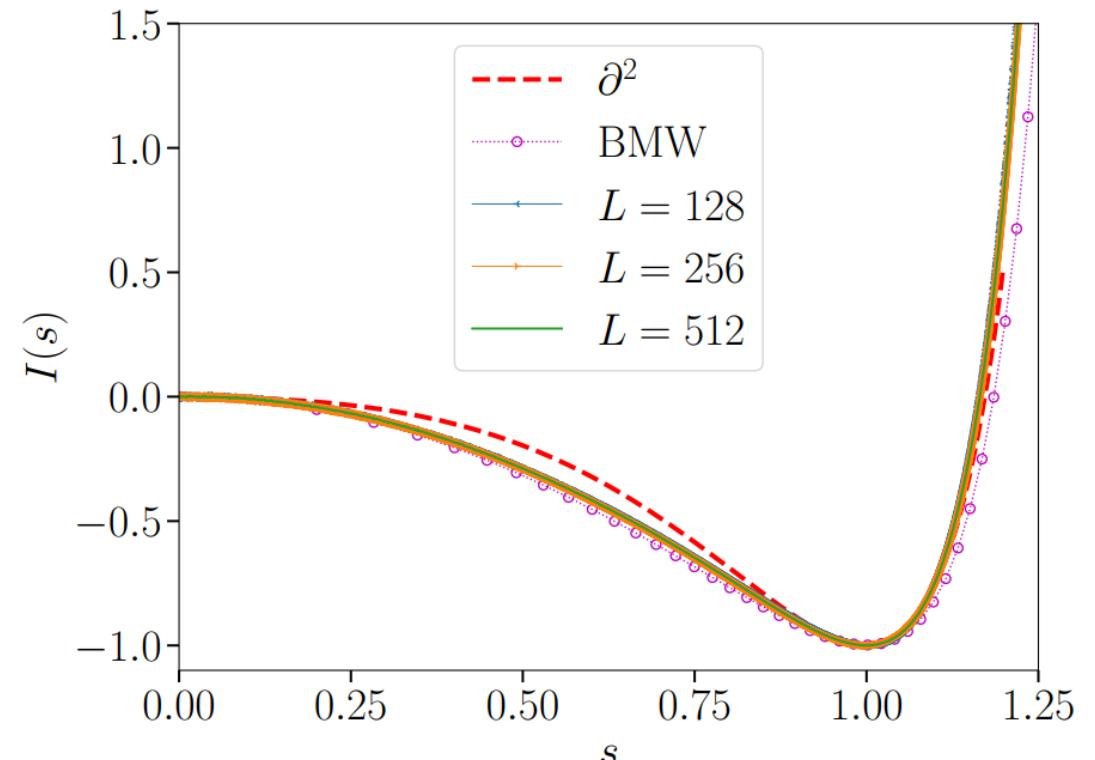
# BMW preliminary results

- Rate function:  
 $\text{DE}_2$  vs. BMW vs. MC.

BMW: sensible improvement over  $\text{DE}_2$ !



Preliminary results.



$I_{\zeta=0}(\tilde{s})$  vs.  $\tilde{s}$ .

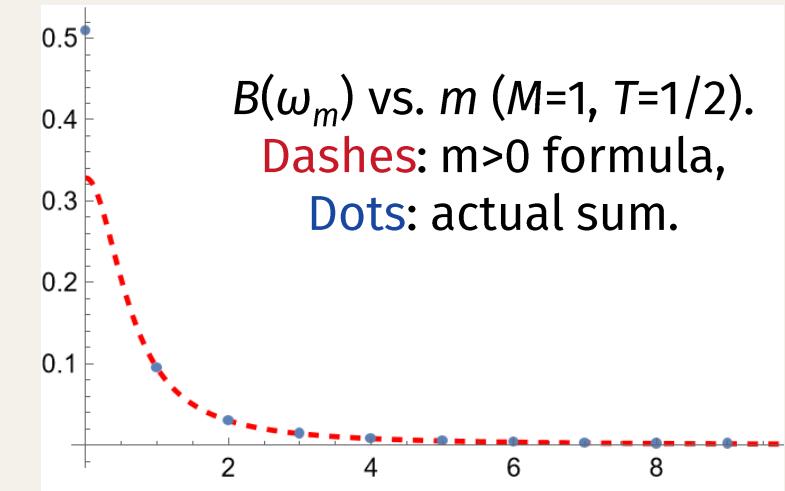
# Similarity to QFTs at $T>0$

- Inverse temperature = box size.

$$B(\omega_m) = T \sum_n G(i\omega_n)G(i\omega_n + i\omega_m)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{\coth(M/2T)}{4M^3} + \frac{1}{8TM^2 \sinh^2(M/2T)} & \text{if } m = 0, \\ \frac{\coth(M/2T)}{M(4M^2 + \omega_m^2)} & \text{if } m \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

$$G(i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{\omega_n^2 + M^2}$$
$$i\omega_n = 2\pi nT$$



- Response functions: static vs. dynamic  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  responses.

[Dupuis, Field Th.  
Of Cond. Mat. '23]

# Conclusion

- **Finite size matters:** needs momentum dependency.
- **Success of BMW!**
- Connection to **QFT at  $T > 0$ :** discrete Matsubara frequencies, derivative expansion justified?

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Manuscript in preparation!

Thank you for your attention!