

- how much information is contained in measurements?

* how does our knowledge get updated post-measurement? (the experimentalist)

- we should think about the ~~posterior~~ knowledge of a certain property | meas.

$$P(\text{property} | \text{meas})$$

$$P(O | M)$$

- we can also think about the full state

$$P(\text{state} | M)$$

- this is an inference problem - follows Bayes' Rule

~~related to the question~~
- research question related to MEPT, charge sharpening, error correction

- arXiv: 2504.02734, 2504.08888, 2504.12385
(RV, EM, SG) (CVK, SWK, AL) (ST, SG, HN, GIB, MP)

- asymptotic universal behavior of $P(S|M)$ in critical states, non-critical states, classical picture of charge sharpening - discussion of error correction.

Formalism

- gaussian measurements; $x = \frac{1}{2\Delta^2}$ observable; 0 , true value 0 .

$$Z = \int_S e^{-H(S)}$$

$$P(M|S) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\Delta^2} \sum_x (O_x - M_x)^2 + \ln d\right)$$

normalization

$$P(M, S) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp(-H_{\text{meas}}[S, M]) \frac{1}{Z}$$

$$H_{\text{meas}} = H + \frac{1}{2\Delta^2} \sum_x (O_x - M_x)^2 - \ln d$$

Posterior

$$P(S|M) = \frac{P(S, M)}{P(M)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{Z(M)} e^{-H_{\text{meas}}[S|M]}$$

$$P(M) = \frac{\int_S e^{-H_{\text{meas}}[S, M]} Z(M)}{\int_S e^{-H[S]}}$$

linear vs non-linear observables

$$\mathbb{E}_M [\langle S_x^2 \rangle_M - \langle S_x \rangle_M^2]$$

$$\mathbb{E}_M \langle S_x^2 \rangle_M = \langle S_x^2 \rangle = \int_S S_x^2 e^{-H(S)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_M \langle S_x^2 \rangle_M = \int dM P(M) \langle S_x^2 \rangle_M$$

$$= \int dM ds P(M) P(S|M) S_x^2$$

$$= \int ds \left[\int_M P(M) P(S|M) \right] S_x^2$$

$$= \int ds P(S) S_x^2$$

$$\frac{Z e^{-H^1 - H^2}}{Z(M) Z^*}$$

$$\parallel \frac{P(S, M) P(S', M)}{P(M)}$$

$$\parallel \frac{P(M) P(S, M) P(S', M)}{P(M)^2}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_M \langle S_x \rangle_M^2 = \int_M P(M) \langle S_x \rangle_M^2$$

$$= \int_M P(M) \int_{S, S'} P(S|M) P(S'|M) S_x S_x'$$

Replica $\frac{1}{Z} \int_M e^{-\sum_{a=1}^n H_{\text{mean}}(S^a, M)}$

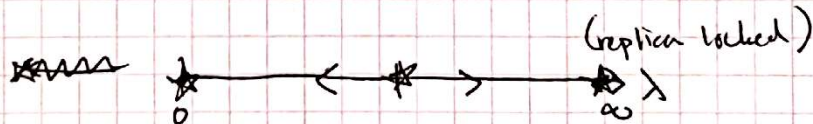
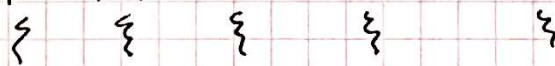
$$\neq \int_S ds P(S) (\text{observable})(S)$$

Examples

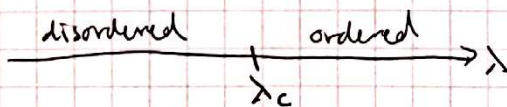
a) Ising 2D at criticality
measure $E_x = S_x S_{x+1}$

i) weak measurements marginally irrelevant

ii) strong measurements; know location of DW; state specified up to flip.



b) Ising $T = \infty$ 2D



$$H = \lambda \sum_{\langle xy \rangle} \sum_{a \neq b} (S_x^a S_y^a) (S_x^b S_y^b) \quad \left(\sum_{S^a} S^a S^b \right)$$

$$\mathbb{E}_M \langle S_x S_y \rangle^2 \rightarrow \text{const.}$$