## Statistische Physik im Gleichgewicht

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## Problem 18: Ising model with an interface

(5 Points)

Use a different boundary condition for the simulation of the Ising model. Instead of periodic boundary conditions, we set the boundary sites to a constant value: the inside of the system should have a box length  $L_{\rm int}=32$ , and the box length including the boundary layer is L=34. Set all spins on the boundary in the upper half of the system to -1 and those in the lower half to +1. After equilibration, plot the state of the system every 10 steps (for example by using different colors for  $S=\pm 1$ ) for a total of 100 steps. Do this for one temperature below and one temperature above  $T_C$ .

Problem 19: XY model (5 Points)

Adapt the importance sampling method such that you simulate the Hamiltonian of the XY model:

$$H = -J\sum_{\langle ij\rangle}\cos(\phi_i - \phi_j) - h\sum_i\cos(\phi_i).$$

Here, the spins (expressed by the cosine term) can take on continuous values. Write a simulation algorithm with periodic boundary conditions, where the box length, the interaction strength J and the external field h can be set. Perform a simulation with L=32. Use  $\phi_i=\pi \forall i$  as your initial condition. Use  $\beta=1$ , J=2.5 and h=0.1. Plot the end state after 100 sweeps.

Hint: In principle, the method functions similar to the Ising model. However, instead of flipping the spin, one tries out a new random angle  $\phi_i$  successively for every site i. Here, the random angle should lie between  $\phi_i = -\pi$  and  $\phi_i = \pi$ .

Feedback:

Roughly how much time did you spend on this problem set?