



PH 366 Day 12: Ising Model Animation



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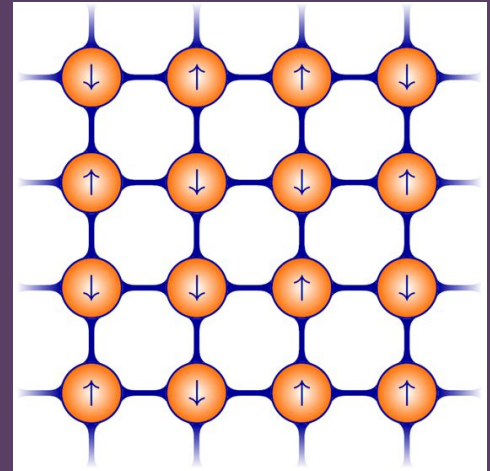
Announcements

Mini-projects graded – please let me know any questions!

Metropolis Algorithm for a Spin Lattice

1. Establish a random 2D array of spins
2. Randomly choose a spin
3. Calculate the probability of flipping that spin
4. Decide whether to flip the spin
5. Go back to **Step 2** and repeat the algorithm

$$\mathcal{P}(\text{accept}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } dE \leq 0 \\ e^{-dE/T} & \text{if } dE > 0 \end{cases}$$

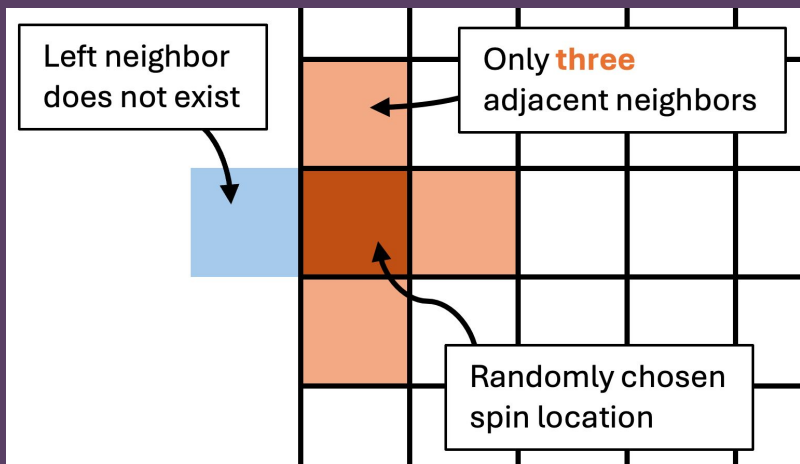


Computing dE for a spin-flip

Need to spin values of neighbors

$$dE_{i,j} = 2s_{i,j} \sum_{\text{neighbors of } i,j} s_{\text{neighbor}}$$

But what if the location is on the edge of the lattice?



A function for computing dE

There is not a **best** solution

See today's assignment for different possibilities

