

Courseware report – *Critical Phenomena and its simulation on finite size systems*

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Structure of the courseware

- 1 Introduction to critical phenomena and Ising model
- 2 Demonstration of correlation and scaling invariance
- 3 Introduction to finite size scaling

Simulation widget 1 – Dynamics and scaling invariance in critical systems

- Design : Full scale simulation – zoom-in of $1/4$ region – zoom-in of $1/16$ region
- Demonstration of clusters with the feature of the ordered phase emerges which do not have determined position and boundary, but dynamically evolve over time and are nested.
- Demonstration of scaling invariance – if we zoom in a specific region, we would find similar structural characteristics.

Simulation widget 2 – Correlation function and correlation length

- Design : updating configuration – simulated measurement of correlation function and correlation length (and its plot in log scale and log-log scale)
- Demonstrate the different behavior of correlation through tuning the temperature
 - PM phase : exponential decay
 - Critical : power-law decay
 - FM phase : not decay to zero.
- Demonstrate the divergence of correlation length at critical point.

Simulation widget 3 – Finite size behavior of the critical system

- Design : updating configuration – simulated measurement of physical quantities and their scaling behavior (data collapse)
- Demonstrate that singularities do not exist in finite size systems
- Demonstrate that the curves of different sizes are of the same shape and collapse with each other after ‘stretching’ transformation.

Appendix : Monte Carlo Method

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\sum_{\{\sigma\}} \mathcal{O}_\sigma \exp(-E_\sigma/kT)}{\sum_{\{\sigma\}} \exp(-E_\sigma/kT)} \quad (1)$$

- **Importance sampling** : Sample in all the possible states $\{\sigma\}$ with a weight of each state $W(\sigma) = \exp(-E_\sigma/kT)$, and the expectation of observables should equal the simple algebraic average of all the samples.
- **Markov process** : the configuration of the consecutive sample solely depend on the former sample

$$\sigma \rightarrow \sigma' \text{ at a probability } P(\sigma \rightarrow \sigma') \quad (2)$$

$$W(\sigma)P(\sigma \rightarrow \sigma') = W(\sigma')P(\sigma' \rightarrow \sigma) \quad (3)$$

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