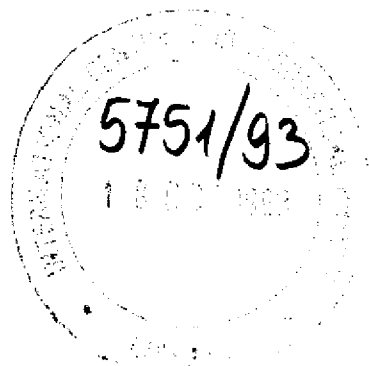


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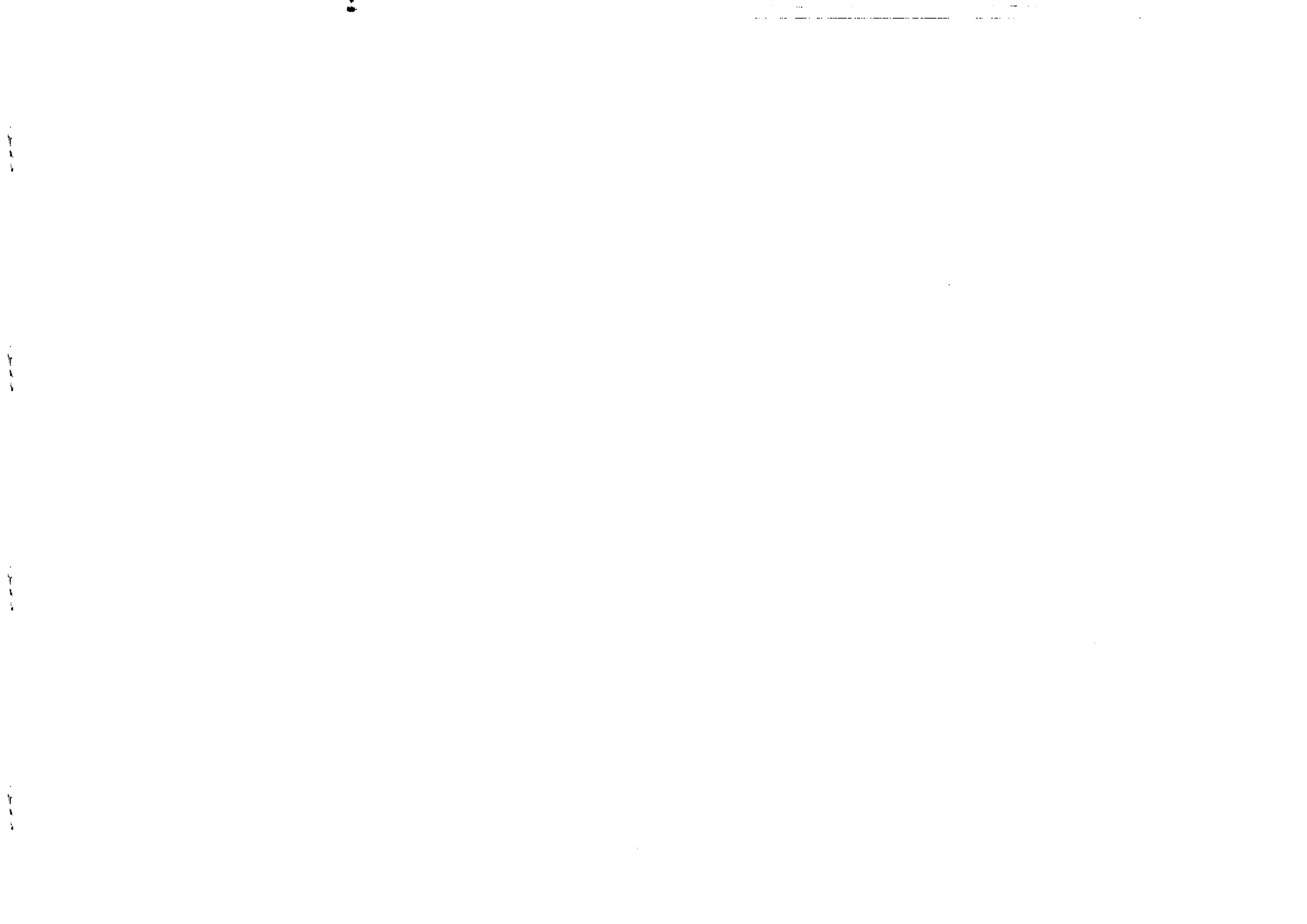
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ABSTRACT

We study the phase diagram and magnetic properties of a transverse spin-1 Ising model with random longitudinal crystal field interactions within an expansion technique for cluster identities of spin-1 localized spin systems. The partially ordered phases appear for a particular two valued distribution $P(D_i) = 1/2[\delta(D_i - (1+\alpha)D) + \delta(D_i - (1-\alpha)D)]$, and for sufficiently small transverse field Ω . The longitudinal and transverse magnetizations, the quadrupolar moments are calculated. General formulae applicable to structures with arbitrary coordination number, are given.

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1. Introduction

Spin systems are widespread in very different fields of physics (e.g., in the theory of magnetism, superconductivity, nuclear physics, etc). Special methods of theoretical physics are needed to describe the systems since commutation relations for spin components differ from the corresponding relations in both Bose and Fermi systems. The study of phase transitions in the Ising and the Heisenberg models has been the subject of much interest [1-7]. Phase diagrams of such models show various types of multicritical phenomena [3,4,7]. The Ising model in the presence of a transverse field serves for the study of cooperative phenomena and phase transitions in many physical systems [8-10]. The diluted three-dimensional spin-1 Ising model with crystal field interactions is studied by Saber [11] within Finite cluster approximation. The spin-1 Ising model with a random crystal field is studied by Benyoussef et al [12], Boccara et al [13] within mean field solution. Our aim is to study the influence of the transverse magnetic field on the phase diagram and magnetic properties of spin-1 Ising model with random crystal field interactions. We use the finite cluster approximation [14,15] with an expansion technique for cluster identities of spin-1 localised spin systems established by Ez-Zahraouy et al [16]. Phase diagram for coordination number $N=6$ is represented in the $T-\Omega-D$ space for fixed value of α , where T , Ω and D are respectively temperature, transverse field and longitudinal crystal field. General formula of the magnetizations and quadrupolar moments are determined for an arbitrary coordination number N . The dependence of longitudinal and transverse magnetizations on the crystal field for several values of the transverse field and on temperature for several values of the crystal field are calculated for $N=6$.

In section 2 we give the method and we calculate the state equations. Section 3 is reserved to results and discussion.

2. Finite cluster approximation.

We consider a spin-1 Ising system in a simple cubic lattice described by a Hamiltonian corresponding to paramagnet of the longitudinal-axis type in a transverse magnetic field.

$$H = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J S_i^x S_j^x - \Omega \sum_i S_i^y + \sum_i D_i S_i^z \quad (1)$$

Where S_{ix} and S_{iz} are respectively the x-component and the z-component of spin-1 operator at site i , Ω represents the transverse field and J_{ij} is the exchange interaction between spins at site i and j , in this paper J_{ij} is constant and equal J , $\langle ij \rangle$ runs over all nearest-neighbour pairs of spins, and D_i is the random crystal field governed by the probability distribution law given by:

$$P(D) = \frac{1}{2} [\delta(D - (1 + \alpha)D) + \delta(D - (1 - \alpha)D)]$$

Using a single site cluster approximation in which attention is focused on a cluster comprising just a single selected spin labelled 0, and the neighbouring spins with which it directly interacts, then the Hamiltonian containing 0, namely

$$H_0 = AS_0^x + BS_0^y + D_0 S_0^z \quad (2)$$

where

$$A = -J\theta \quad ; \quad B = -\Omega \quad (3)$$

with

$$\theta = \sum_{j=1}^3 S_{0j}$$

This single-site Hamiltonian can readily be diagonalised and its eigenvalues and eigenvectors found. The three eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalues

$$\lambda_k = 2(D_0 + \sqrt[3]{\rho} \cos(\phi_k)) / 3 \quad (4)$$

$$\text{with } \phi_k = \frac{1}{3} \text{Arc cos}(-27q / 2p) + 2(k-1)\pi / 3 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{and } \rho = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \sqrt{27q^2 + [4p^3 + 27q^2]} \quad (6)$$

$$p = -(A^2 + B^2) - D_0^2 / 3 \quad ; \quad q = -D_0(2A^2 + 2/9 D_0^2 + B^2) / 3 \quad (7)$$

are

$$|\Psi\rangle_k = \alpha_k|+\rangle + \beta_k|-\rangle + \gamma_k|0\rangle \quad (8)$$

with

$$\alpha_k = \frac{|B(\lambda_k - D_0 + A)|}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{B^2((\lambda_k - D_0)^2 + A^2) + ((\lambda_k - D_0)^2 - A^2)^2}} \quad (9)$$

$$\beta_k = \frac{\lambda_k - D_0 - A}{\lambda_k - D_0 + A} \alpha_k \quad ; \quad \gamma_k = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{B} (\lambda_k - D_0 - A) \alpha_k \quad (10)$$

In a representation in which $S_{0\alpha}$ is diagonal. The starting point of single-site cluster approximation is a set of formal identities of the type

$$\langle \langle S_{0\alpha}^p \rangle_c \rangle = \left\langle \frac{\text{trace}_0 [S_{0\alpha}^p \exp(-\beta H_0)]}{\text{trace}_0 [\exp(-\beta H_0)]} \right\rangle \quad (11)$$

Where $S_{0\alpha}^p$ is the α -component of the spin operator S_0 raised to the power p . $\langle S_{0\alpha}^p \rangle_c$ denotes the mean value of $S_{0\alpha}^p$ for a given configuration c of all other spins, i.e. when all other spins S_i ($i \neq 0$) have fixed values. $\langle \dots \rangle$ denotes the average over all spin configurations. trace_0 means the trace performed over S_0 only. $\beta = \frac{1}{K_B T}$, T the absolute temperature and K_B is the Boltzmann constant. The equations (11) are not exact for an Ising system in a transverse field, they have nevertheless, been accepted as a reasonable starting point in many studies of that system[17]. Let $\langle S_{0\alpha} \rangle_c^{\pm}$ and $\langle S_{0\alpha}^2 \rangle_c^{\pm}$ denotes respectively the mean value of $S_{0\alpha}$ and $S_{0\alpha}^2$ for a fixed configuration \pm of the random crystal field and for a given configuration c for all other spins.

To calculate, $\langle S_{0\alpha} \rangle_c^{\pm}$ and $\langle S_{0\alpha}^2 \rangle_c^{\pm}$, one has to effect the inner traces in eqs.(11) over the states of the spin 0 and this is the most easily performed using the eigenstates of eqs.(8) as the basic states. In this way, it follows on setting $p=1$ and 2 it turn in eqs.(11) that

$$\langle S_{0z} \rangle_c^{\pm} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^J (\alpha_k^{\pm 2} - \beta_k^{\pm 2}) \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})}{\sum_{k=1}^J \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})} \quad (12)$$

$$\langle S_{0x} \rangle_c^{\pm} = \sqrt{2} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^J (\alpha_k^{\pm} + \beta_k^{\pm}) \gamma_k^{\pm} \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})}{\sum_{k=1}^J \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})} \quad (13)$$

$$\langle S_{0z}^2 \rangle_c^{\pm} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^J (\alpha_k^{\pm 2} + \beta_k^{\pm 2}) \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})}{\sum_{k=1}^J \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})} \quad (14)$$

$$\langle S_{0x}^2 \rangle_c^{\pm} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^J ((\alpha_k^{\pm} + \beta_k^{\pm})^2 / 2 + \gamma_k^{\pm 2}) \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})}{\sum_{k=1}^J \exp(-\beta \lambda_k^{\pm})} \quad (15)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_k^{\pm} = \alpha_k \\ \beta_k^{\pm} = \beta_k \\ \gamma_k^{\pm} = \gamma_k \\ \lambda_k^{\pm} = \lambda_k \end{cases} \quad \text{when } D_0 = (1 \pm \alpha)D$$

The magnetizations m_{α} ($\alpha=z,x$) and the quadrupolar moments q_{α} ($\alpha=z,x$) are given by :

$$m_a = \langle f_a(\theta) \rangle \quad ; \quad q_a = \langle g_a(\theta) \rangle$$

with

$$f_a(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} (\langle S_a \rangle_C^* + \langle S_a \rangle_C) \quad (16)$$

$$g_a(\theta) = \frac{i}{2} (\langle S_a \rangle_C^* - \langle S_a \rangle_C) \quad (17)$$

Where $\langle \dots \rangle$ denotes the average over all configurations of the spins S_j ($j \neq 0$). To calculate $\langle f_a(\theta) \rangle$ and $\langle g_a(\theta) \rangle$ we have used the expansion technique for spin-1 Ising systems as follows[14]:

Suppose one considers the general product $\prod_{i=1}^N (\sum_{p_i=0}^2 S_i^{p_i})$ that contains 3^N terms. From these terms one may collect together all those terms containing p factors of S_i^2 and q factors of S_i . Such a group is to be denoted by $\{S_i^2, S_i\}_{N,p,q}$. For example, if $N=4$, $p=1$ and $q=2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \{S_i^2, S_i\}_{1,1,2} = & S_1^2 (S_2 S_3 + S_3 S_4 + S_4 S_2) + S_2^2 (S_1 S_3 + S_3 S_4 + S_4 S_1) \\ & + S_3^2 (S_1 S_2 + S_2 S_4 + S_4 S_1) + S_4^2 (S_1 S_2 + S_2 S_3 + S_3 S_1) \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Our aim is to expand the functions of eqs.(16) and (17) in terms of these $\{S_i^2, S_i\}_{N,p,q}$. Thus, if one writes

$$f_a(\sum S_i) = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^q A_{pq}^a(N) \{S_i^2, S_i\}_{N,p,q} \quad (19)$$

$$g_a(\sum S_i) = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^q B_{pq}^a(N) \{S_i^2, S_i\}_{N,p,q} \quad (20)$$

the problem is to find the coefficients $A_{pq}^a(N)$ and $B_{pq}^a(N)$. To achieve this it is advantageous to transform the spin-1 system to a spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ representation containing the Pauli operators $\sigma_i = \pm 1$. This may be accomplished by setting $S = \tau \sigma$ with $\tau = 0, 1$. In this representation, eqs(19) and (20) become

$$f_a(\sum \tau_i \sigma_i) = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^q A_{pq}^a(N) \{\tau_i, \tau_i \sigma_i\}_{N,p,q} \quad (21)$$

$$g_a(\sum \tau_i \sigma_i) = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^q B_{pq}^a(N) \{\tau_i, \tau_i \sigma_i\}_{N,p,q} \quad (22)$$

and must hold for arbitrary choices of τ_i . Suppose one now chooses the first r out of the N operators τ_i to be unity, and the remainder zero. Then eqs.(21) and (22) give

$$f_a(\sum \sigma_i) = \sum_{q=0}^r \sum_{p=0}^q A_{pq}^a(N) C_p^{r,q} \{\sigma_i\}_{r,q} \quad (23)$$

$$g_a(\sum \sigma_i) = \sum_{q=0}^r \sum_{p=0}^q B_{pq}^a(N) C_p^{r,q} \{\sigma_i\}_{r,q} \quad (24)$$

where $\{\sigma_i\}_{r,q}$ is the sum of all possible products of q spins operators, σ_{i_r} , out of a maximum of r , and the C_r^n are the binomial coefficients $m! / n!(m-n)!$. That is,

$$f_u(\sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_{i_r}) = \sum_{q=0}^r b_q^{(u)}(r) \{\sigma_i\}_{r,q} \quad (25)$$

$$g_u(\sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_{i_r}) = \sum_{q=0}^r d_q^{(u)}(r) \{\sigma_i\}_{r,q} \quad (26)$$

with

$$b_q^{(u)}(r) = \sum_{p=0}^q A_{pq}^{(u)}(N) C_p^{r-q} \quad (27)$$

$$d_q^{(u)}(r) = \sum_{p=0}^q B_{pq}^{(u)}(N) C_p^{r-q}. \quad (28)$$

The spin-1 problem of eqs.(19) and (20) containing N spins has thus been transformed to a spin-1/2 problem containing r spins. The advantage of doing this is that it now enables one to use directly the results already established in ref.[18] for the spin-1/2 system. It may also be noted that whereas the coefficients $b_q^{(u)}(r)$ and $d_q^{(u)}(r)$ for the spin-1/2 problem depend on the total number of spins present, the coefficients $A_{pq}^{(u)}(N)$ and $B_{pq}^{(u)}(N)$ are in fact independent of N , as is clear from eqs.(27) and (28). Thus the label N is superfluous and may henceforth be dropped. This could, of course, have been inferred directly from eqs.(19) and (20) by setting one of the S_{i_r} spins equal to its zero value throughout. Specialising the results of ref.[18] to a single group of r spins, one has for the current problem

$$b_q^{(u)}(r) = \frac{1}{2^r C_q^r} \sum_{i=0}^r C_i^r \epsilon_i(r,q) f_{ui}(r) \quad (29)$$

$$d_q^{(u)}(r) = \frac{1}{2^r C_q^r} \sum_{i=0}^r C_i^r \epsilon_i(r,q) g_{ui}(r) \quad (30)$$

where

$$\epsilon_i(r,q) = \sum_{\mu=0}^i (-1)^\mu C_\mu^i C_{q-\mu}^{r-i} \quad (31)$$

and

$$f_{ui}(r) = f_{ui}(r-2i) \quad (32)$$

$$g_{ui}(r) = g_{ui}(r-2i) \quad (33)$$

Once the coefficients $b_q^{(u)}(r)$ and $d_q^{(u)}(r)$ have been calculated, the coefficients $A_{pq}^{(u)}$ and $B_{pq}^{(u)}$ may be found by the following procedure. First $A_{0q}^{(u)}$ and $B_{0q}^{(u)}$ are got by setting $r=q$ in eqs.(29) and (30). That is

$$A_{0q}^{(u)} = b_q^{(u)}(q) \quad ; \quad B_{0q}^{(u)} = d_q^{(u)}(q) \quad (34)$$

Then, the other $A_{pq}^{(u)}$ and $B_{pq}^{(u)}$ may be obtained by expressing eqs.(29) and (30) as a recurrence relation, namely as

$$A_{r,q-d}^{(u)} = b_d^{(u)}(r) - \sum_{p=0}^{r-q-1} A_{pq}^{(u)} C_p^{r-d} \quad (35)$$

$$B_{\alpha, q, d}^{\alpha} = d_q^{\alpha} \langle \sigma \rangle - \sum_{p=0}^{q-1} B_{p, d}^{\alpha} C_p^{\alpha, q} \quad (36)$$

Then the magnetizations $m_{\alpha}(\alpha=z, x)$ and the quadrupolar moments $q_{\alpha}(\alpha=z, x)$ are given for an arbitrary coordination number N, by

$$m_{\alpha} = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^{N-q} A_{p, d}^{\alpha} \langle \{S_i^z, S_j^z\}_{N, p, q} \rangle \quad (37)$$

$$q_{\alpha} = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^{N-q} B_{p, d}^{\alpha} \langle \{S_i^z, S_j^z\}_{N, p, q} \rangle \quad (38)$$

Using the simplest approximation of the Zernike decoupling of the type

$$\langle S_i S_j \dots S_k \dots \rangle \equiv \langle S_i \rangle \langle S_j \rangle \dots \langle S_k \rangle \dots \text{ for } i \neq j \neq k \neq \dots$$

and seeing that the number of elements of the group $\{S_i^z, S_j^z\}_{N, p, q}$ is equal $C_p^N C_q^{N-p}$, the eqs.(37) and (38) become

$$m_{\alpha} = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^{N-q} A_{p, d}^{\alpha} m_{\alpha}^p q_{\alpha}^q C_p^N C_q^{N-p} \quad (39)$$

$$q_{\alpha} = \sum_{q=0}^N \sum_{p=0}^{N-q} B_{p, d}^{\alpha} m_{\alpha}^p q_{\alpha}^q C_p^N C_q^{N-p} \quad (40)$$

Let put $m = m_z = \langle S_i^z \rangle$ and $x = q_z = \langle S_i^z \rangle^2$, and if we replace x in (39) by its expression taken from (40), we obtain an equation for m of the form

$$m = am + bm^3 + \dots \quad (41)$$

where

$$a = N(A_{00}^{\alpha} + \sum_{p=1}^{N-1} A_{p, d}^{\alpha} C_p^{N-1} x_0^p) \quad (42)$$

with x_0 the solution of the following equation

$$x_0 = B_{00}^{\alpha} + \sum_{p=1}^N B_{p, d}^{\alpha} C_p^N x_0^p \quad (43)$$

The critical temperature of the second order transition is determined by $a=1$. In the vicinity of second order transition the magnetization m_c is determined by:

$$m_c^2 = \frac{1-a}{b} \quad (44)$$

At this temperature the transverse magnetization is given by

$$m_x = \sum_{p=0}^N B_{p, d}^{\alpha} C_p^N x_0^p \quad (45)$$

and the quadrupolar moments $q_{\alpha}(\alpha=z, x)$ are given by

$$q_{\alpha} = \sum_{p=0}^N B_{p, d}^{\alpha} C_p^N x_0^p \quad (46)$$

The right-hand side of eq.(44) must be positive. If this is not the case the transition is of first order. The point at which $a=1$ and $b=0$ is the tricritical point. To obtain the expression for b one has to solve (40) for small m . The solution is of the form

$$x = x_0 + x_1 m^2 \quad (47)$$

Where x_1 is given by

$$x_1 = \sum_{p=0}^{N-2} B_{p2}^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} x_0^p + \sum_{p=1}^N p B_{p0}^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} x_0^{p-1} x_1 \quad (48)$$

That is

$$x_1 = \frac{\sum_{p=0}^{N-2} B_{p2}^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} x_0^p}{1 - \sum_{p=1}^N p B_{p0}^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} x_0^{p-1}} \quad (49)$$

This yields

$$b = \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} A_{p1}^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} x_0^p + N \sum_{p=1}^{N-1} p A_{p1}^{(2)} C_p^{(2)} x_0^{p-1} x_1 \quad (50)$$

3-Results and discussion.

In this section we present results of the Hamiltonian (1) on a simple cubic lattice ($N=6$). The study of the phase diagram in the T - Ω - D space yields three different situations depending on the value of α [13]. here after we shall consider a case ($\alpha=3/4$) in which the partially ordered phases exist. The resulting phase diagram is shown in Fig.1, where partly there exists a

tricritical line TCL separating the surfaces of second and first order transitions and on the other part there exist a first order surface transition separating the ordered phases and the partially ordered phases; this surface exists at smaller temperature and $\Omega < \Omega_c$. The dependence of the magnetizations m_z and m_x on the crystal field for a fixed value of the temperature ($T/J=0.1$) and $\alpha=3/4$, are shown respectively in Fig.2.a and Fig.3.a for several values of the transverse field Ω . First order transition is characterised by the gap of the longitudinal magnetization m_z at the crystal field transition, hence, for $\Omega < \Omega_c$ and for sufficiently low temperature, in Fig.2.a (and for $\Omega/J=0.01$), we have two first order transitions, one is from the ordered phase ($m_z=1$) to the partially ordered phases ($m_z=1/2$), the second is from the partially ordered phases to the disordered one. Such transitions are also observed in Fig.3.a in which the transverse magnetization passes through a peak for first order transitions (Fig.3.a for $\Omega=0.2, 0.3, 0.5$) and a shoulder for second order transition. The transverse magnetization m_x increases when increasing the transverse field Ω at low temperature in agreement with Ref.[19]. While the magnetization m_y decreases with Ω . On the other hand, for fixed value of Ω , m_z decreases continuously in the vicinity of the transition temperature and vanishes at $T=T_c$, for the second order transition and exhibit a discontinuity at first order transition (Fig.2.b, $D/J=5.6, 5.5, 2.6$). The transverse magnetization m_x increases with the strength of the crystal field at low temperature and passes through a peak for the first order transition and a cusp for the second order transition temperature of m_z and then falls off rapidly (see Fig.3.b) as determined by the relation (45). Finally we remark that the method used here [16] allow us to see the re-

entrant part observed in Fig.2.b($D/J=5.5, 5.6$), such phenomena is not observed within mean field theory[13] for $\Omega/J=0$.

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Figure Captions

Fig.1. Phase diagram in T- Ω -D space for N=6. TCL is the tricritical line. Dashed lines correspond to first order transition.

Fig.2. a) The crystal field dependence of the longitudinal magnetization when T/J =0.1. The number accompanying each curve denotes the value of Ω/J .

b) The temperature dependence of the longitudinal magnetization when $\Omega/J=0.2$. The number accompanying each curve denotes the value of D/J.

Fig.3.

a) The crystal field dependence of the transverse magnetization when T/J =0.1. The number accompanying each curve denotes the value of Ω/J .

b) The temperature dependence of the transverse magnetization when $\Omega/J=0.2$. The number accompanying each curve denotes the value of D/J.

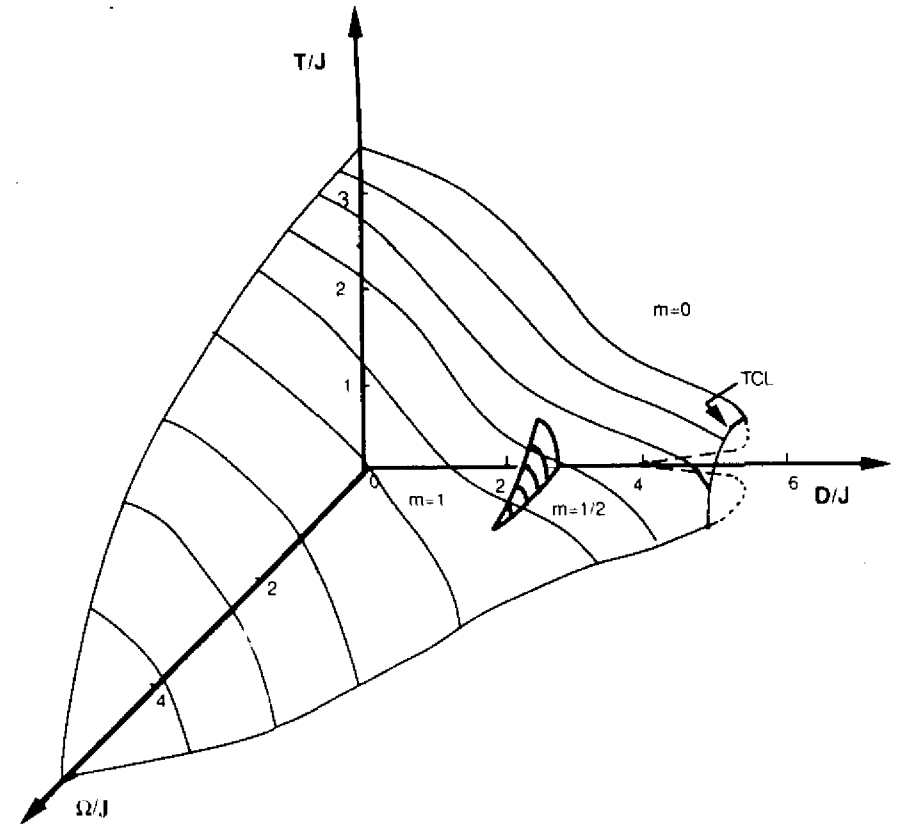


FIG.1

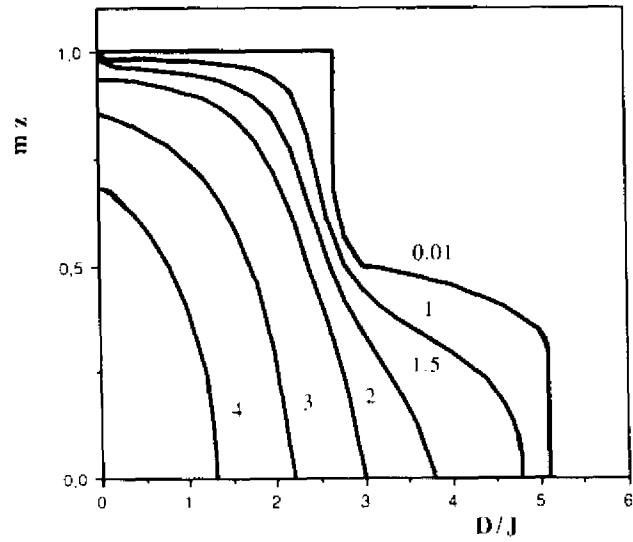


FIG. 2.a

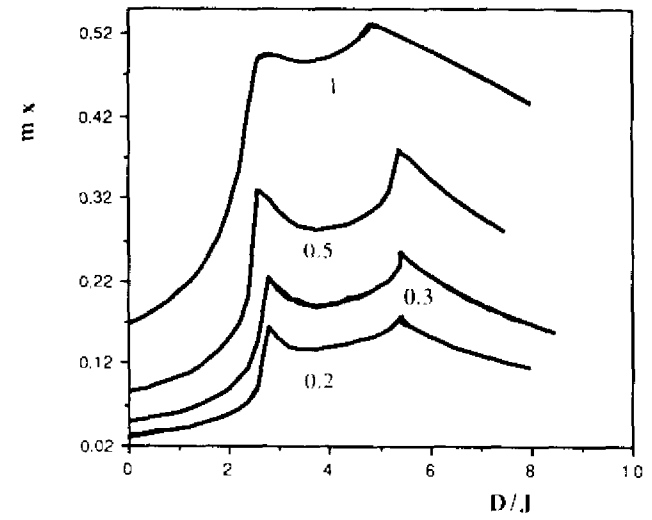


FIG. 3.a

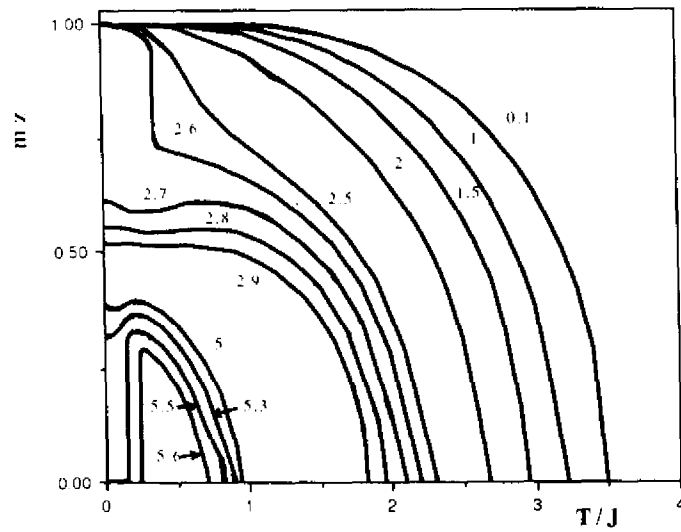


FIG. 2.b

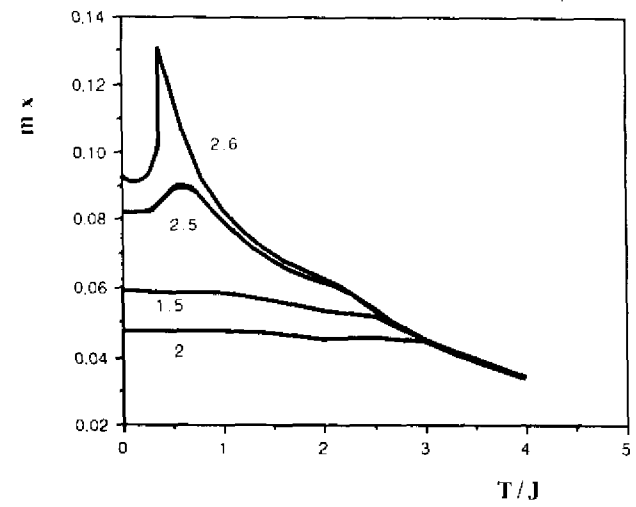


FIG. 3.b