

STAT. MECH SOLUTIONS: Problems III

(a) Let $n = \langle n_i \rangle$, the mean occupation.

Then

$$H = -\epsilon \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} n_i n_j$$

\nearrow near neighbours

$$= -\epsilon \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (n_i - n)(n_j - n) = \epsilon \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (-n^2 + n(n_i + n_j))$$

The mean field H is

$$H_{mf} = -\epsilon \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (-n^2 + n(n_i + n_j))$$

$$= \epsilon n^2 \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} 1 - \epsilon n \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (n_i + n_j)$$

$$= \epsilon n^2 \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_{i+\delta} 1 - 2\epsilon n \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_{i+\delta} n_{i+\delta}$$

\nearrow factor to not double count

\nearrow index to n.n.

$$= \epsilon n^2 \frac{1}{2} \sum_i 6 - \epsilon n \sum_i 6 n_i$$

$$= \sum_i \{ 3\epsilon n^2 - 6\epsilon n n_i \}$$

(b) i) $\frac{df}{d\phi} = -\alpha(T_0 - T)\phi + b\phi^3$

for ϕ independent of x , Then

$$\frac{df}{d\phi} = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_0 = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha(T_0 - T)}{b}}$$

ii) $\lambda \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \phi_0 \tanh(x/L) = \lambda \phi_0 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{L} \cosh x/L}{\cosh^2 x/L} \right)$

$$= \frac{\sinh x/L}{\cosh^2 x/L} \left(\frac{1}{L} \sinh x/L \right) = -\frac{\lambda}{L} \phi_0 \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sinh^2 x/L}{\cosh^2 x/L}$$

$$= -\frac{\lambda}{L} \phi_0 \left(\frac{2 \sinh x/L \cosh x/L}{L \cosh^2 x/L} - 2 \frac{\sinh^2 x/L}{\cosh^3 x/L} \frac{\sinh x/L}{L} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2\lambda}{L^2} \phi_0 \left(\tanh x/L - \tanh^3 x/L \right)$$

Substitution into $-\alpha(T_0 - T)\phi + b\phi^3$ leads to the conditions

$$-\frac{2\lambda}{L^2} \phi_0 = -\alpha(T_0 - T)\phi_0$$

$$-\frac{2\lambda}{L^2} \phi_0 = b\phi_0^3$$

$$\Rightarrow L^2 = \frac{2\lambda}{\alpha(T_0 - T)}$$

and $\phi_0^2 = -\frac{2\lambda}{bL^2} = -\frac{\alpha(T_0 - T)}{b}$