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1. Introduction

Fisher and Gaunt¹ first established the 1/d expansion method for a self-avoiding walk (SAW) on a d-dimensional lattice. The 1/d expansion for the free energy amplitude of SAW has been given by Gaunt² through $O(d^{-5})$. Recently, Nemirovsky et al^{3,4} have developed more general 1/d expansions for SAW with the aid of the lattice cluster theory using the exact enumeration data of $C_{n,m}$ and $R_{n,m}$ in $d = 2 - 6$, where $C_{n,m}$ and $R_{n,m}$ are the number of n-step walks and the mean square end-to-end distance with m internal contacts, respectively. Here we estimate the exponents γ and ν for SAW and θ' chain (the definition of θ' will be given later) by combining the 1/d expansions with the coherent anomaly method (CAM)⁵.

2. 1/d expansions

The partition function of the chain with nearest-neighbor interaction ε is written as

$$C_n(\omega) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} C_{n,m} e^{m\omega} \quad (1)$$

where $\omega = -\varepsilon/kT$. We assume

$$C_n(\omega) \approx A_C(\omega) n^{\gamma(\omega)-1} \mu(\omega)^n \quad (2)$$

and define the reduced free energy by

$$F^*(\omega) \equiv \log \mu(\omega) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-1} \log C_n(\omega) \quad (3)$$

Putting $\gamma = 1$ in (2) and $f = e^{\omega} - 1$, we have³

$$\begin{aligned}
 F^*(f) = & \log \sigma + f\sigma^{-1} - (1 - f - 3/2 f^2)\sigma^{-2} - (2 - 7f \\
 & - 11f^2 - 16/3 f^3)\sigma^{-3} - (23/2 - 35f - 117/2 f^2 \\
 & - 56f^3 - 103/4 f^4 - 3f^5)\sigma^{-4} - (64 - 250f - 251f^2 \\
 & - 532f^3 - 379f^4 - 626/5 f^5 - 14f^6)\sigma^{-5} - \dots \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

and the free energy amplitude

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_C(f) = & (1 + \sigma^{-1})\{1 - 2f\sigma^{-1} + (3 - 8f - 6f^2)\sigma^{-2} \\
 & + (13 - 70f - 75f^2 - 28f^3)\sigma^{-3} + (107 - 588f \\
 & - 685f^2 - 456f^3 - 161f^4 - 18f^5)\sigma^{-4} + (895 \\
 & - 5818f - 5192f^2 - 6018f^3 - 3417f^4 - 988f^5 \\
 & - 112f^6)\sigma^{-5} + \dots\} \quad (5)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\sigma = 2d - 1$. Similarly, we obtain⁴

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_R(f) = & 1 + (2 - 2f)\sigma^{-1} + (6 - 14f - 4f^2)\sigma^{-2} + (28 \\
 & - 102f - 68f^2 - 22f^3)\sigma^{-3} + (180 - 832f - 712f^2 \\
 & - 412f^3 - 134f^4 + 23f^5)\sigma^{-4} \\
 & + (1382 - 6700f - 10142f^2 - 12312f^3 - 16658f^4 \\
 & - 11654f^5 - 1441f^6)\sigma^{-5} + \dots \quad (6)
 \end{aligned}$$

on the basis of the assumption

$$R_n^2(f) \cong A_R(f) n^{2\nu(f)} \quad (7)$$

with $\nu = 1/2$.

The $1/d$ expansions (5) and (6) seem^{3,4} to diverge with increasing in the order of expansions for small d . This suggests⁶ we can estimate γ and ν by applying the CAM theory⁵ to these equations since they are based on the mean-field approximation.

3. Estimation of γ and ν from CAM

The susceptibility χ of the Ising model near the critical

point T_c can be written as

$$\chi \sim \varepsilon^{-\gamma} \quad (8)$$

with $\varepsilon = (T - T_c)/T_c$. The CAM theory states

$$\chi \cong \bar{\chi}(\bar{T}_c) \bar{\varepsilon}^{-1} \quad (9)$$

where $\bar{\varepsilon} = (T - \bar{T}_c)/\bar{T}_c$ (\bar{T}_c : the mean-field value of T_c), and $\bar{\chi}(\bar{T}_c)$ represents the mean-field approximation of χ given by

$$\bar{\chi}(\bar{T}_c) \sim 1/(\bar{T}_c - T_c)^{\gamma-1} \quad (10)$$

Taking the mean-field value $\gamma = 1$ in (2), we have the generating function of C_n for SAW ($f = 0$):

$$\chi_0 = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n x^n \cong A_C(\sigma) (1 - \mu x)^{-1} \quad (11)$$

μ being the connective constant of SAW. Since μ corresponds¹ to T_c , the comparison of (11) with (9) yields

$$A_C(\bar{\mu}) \sim (\bar{\mu} - \mu)^{-\psi} \quad (12)$$

where $\psi = \gamma - 1$ and $\bar{\mu}$ is the mean-field value of μ . Similarly, the correlation length ξ scales near T_c as

$$\xi \sim \varepsilon^{-\nu} \quad (13)$$

Since ξ and ε correspond⁷ to R_n and n^{-1} for SAW, respectively, we have by comparing (13) with (7):

$$A_R(\bar{\mu}) \sim (\bar{\mu} - \mu)^{-\lambda} \quad (14)$$

where $\lambda = 2\nu - 1$.

We can estimate ψ and λ for any f using (5) and (6) provided the exact μ and some systematic mean-field values μ_n ($n = 0, 1, \dots$) are available. If we define μ_n by

$$\mu_n(f) = \sigma \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_{i+1}(f) \sigma^{-i} \quad (15)$$

with $\mu_1 = \sigma$, the coefficient a_i can be determined from (4) since $F^*(f) = \log \mu(f)$. We define θ' chain by $f = \sigma^{-1}$; the θ' state is near to the theta point $\omega_\theta = 1/(\sigma - 1)$ given by the lattice model⁸ in larger d . We have the systematic μ_n ($n \leq 6$) for SAW and θ' chain from

$$\mu_6(0) = \sigma(1 - \sigma^{-2} - 2\sigma^{-3} - 11\sigma^{-4} - 62\sigma^{-5}) \quad (16a)$$

and

$$\mu_6(\sigma^{-1}) = \sigma(1 - \sigma^{-3} - 3\sigma^{-4} - 18\sigma^{-5}) \quad (16b)$$

respectively. We plot $\log \mu_n$ against n^{-1} and extrapolate to $n \rightarrow \infty$ to determine μ_∞ ; the example for SAW in $d = 3$ is given in Fig. 1. This μ_∞ is regarded as μ in this case. We can estimate ψ and λ , i.e. γ and ν from the plots of $\log A_R(\mu_n)$ and $\log A_R(\mu_n)$ vs. $\log \Delta\mu_n$, where $\Delta\mu_n = \mu_n - \mu$, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, respectively. The result thus obtained for SAW and θ' chain are:
 $\gamma_{\text{SAW}} = 1.22$ (3d), 1.06 (3.5d), 1.018 (4d) and $2\nu_{\text{SAW}} = 1.23$ (3d), 1.07 (3.5d), 1.023 (4d); $\gamma_{\theta'}$ = 1.026 (3d), 1.007 (3.5d) 1.0017 (4d) and $2\nu_{\theta'}$ = 1.037 (3d), 1.011 (3.5d) and 1.0031 (4d).

This estimation is ineffective for $d = 2$ since the determination of μ_∞ is difficult. The values of γ and 2ν for $d = 3.5$ are in accord with those from the exact enumeration⁹: $\gamma = 1.07 \pm 0.015$ and $2\nu = 1.07 \pm 0.01$ while those for $d = 3$ are somewhat larger than the expected ones. These estimates for θ' chain are almost consistent with $\gamma = 2\nu = 1$ at $d = d_c$; the marginal critical dimension d_c is three for θ chain¹⁰.

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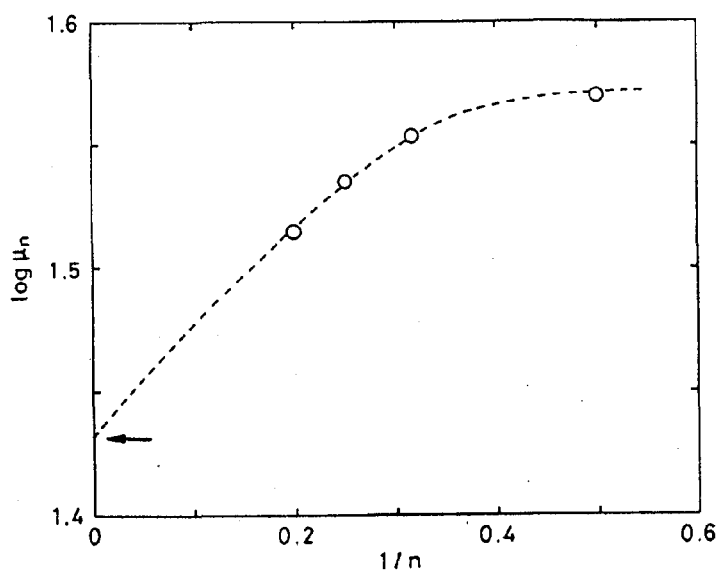


Fig.1. Estimation of μ_∞ for SAW in $d = 3$; the arrow indicates $\log \mu_\infty = 1.43$.

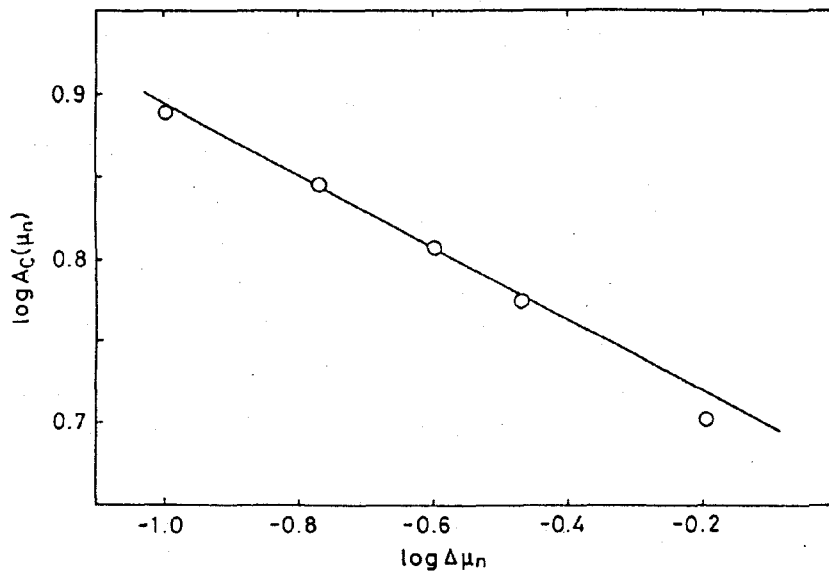


Fig.2. The plot of $\log A_C(\mu_n)$ vs $\log \Delta \mu_n$ for SAW in $d = 3$; the slope gives $\psi = 0.222$.

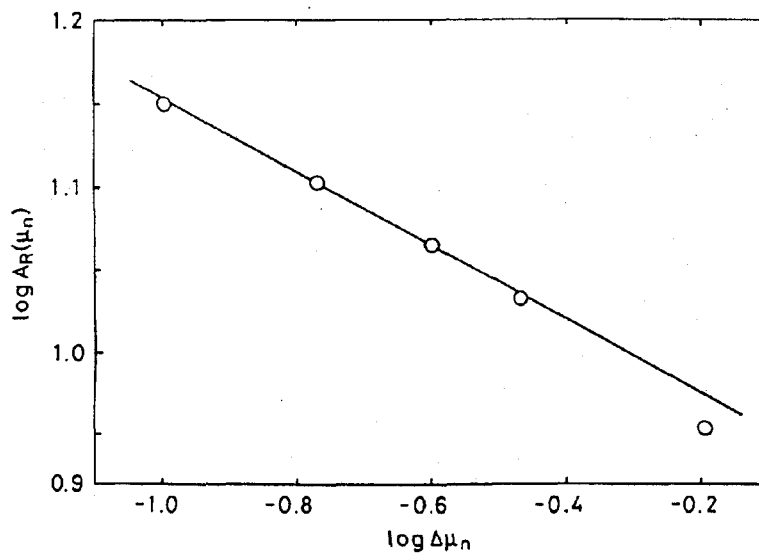


Fig.3. The same as Fig.2 but for A_R ; the slope gives $\lambda = 0.234$.