

PHYS566: Problem Set 2

Problem 1: Consider the ice model such that $a=b=c=1$. Assume a lattice of linear dimension N with periodic boundary conditions. Using the line representation work out the solution for $n=0$, $n=1$, and $n=2$, where n denotes the number of vertical lines entering the horizontal line representing the transfer matrix from below, or exiting from it to above. Use the ansatz wavefunction $g(x_1, x_2) = A_{12}z_1^{x_1}z_2^{x_2} + A_{21}z_2^{x_1}z_1^{x_2}$.

Problem 2: Consider the anisotropic spin-1/2 Heisenberg model (XXZ model) in one dimension with periodic boundary conditions. The Hamiltonian is given by

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i=1}^N S_x^i S_x^{i+1} + S_y^i S_y^{i+1} + JS_z^i S_z^{i+1}.$$

Using the fact that this Hamiltonian conserves the z -component of the total spin, find the solutions for $m=0$, $m=1$, and $m=2$, where m denotes the number of up-spins in a configuration in which all other components are down-spins.