

## Homework Assignment #8.

### Problem 8.1.

(a) Prove the validity of the Hubbard-Stratonovich (Gaussian) transformation

$$\exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} S_i K_{ij} S_j \right\} = \int \prod_{i=1}^N d\phi_i \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \phi_i K_{ij} \phi_j + \sum_{ij} S_i K_{ij} \phi_i \right\},$$

whenever  $K_{ij}$  is a real and symmetric matrix. To do this, note that in this case the matrix  $K_{ij}$  can be diagonalized by a unitary transformation, and the integral on the right-hand side can be factored into a product of  $N$  Gaussian integrals.

(b) Starting with the action  $S[\phi]$  obtained through through the Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation

$$S[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \phi_i K_{ij} \phi_j - \sum_i \ln \cosh \left( \sum_j K_{ij} \phi_j + h_i \right),$$

perform the momentum expansion to reduce the action to the Landau form

$$S[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{x} \phi(\mathbf{x}) [r - \nabla^2] \phi(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{u}{4} \int d\mathbf{x} \phi^4(\mathbf{x}) - \int d\mathbf{x} h(\mathbf{x}) \phi(\mathbf{x}).$$

Determine the values of the Landau parameters  $r$  and  $u$  in terms of  $K = \beta J$ .

### Problem 8.2.

(a) Consider an operator of the form

$$S_m = w_m \int d\mathbf{x} \phi^m(\mathbf{x}),$$

and carry out the power-counting analysis within a Gaussian model, to demonstrate that the corresponding scaling exponent is

$$\lambda_w(m) = m - (m - 2)d/2.$$

(b) Carry out the analysis of dangerously irrelevant variables to show that the exponent  $\delta = 3$  for all  $d > d_{uc}$ . [Hint: to determine  $\delta$ , concentrate to the behavior at the critical point ( $r = 0$ ), and choose  $b^{\lambda_j} = 1$ . The rest of the analysis is similar as for the calculation of  $\beta$ .]