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Abstract. The amplitude of the confluent singular term in the dimensionless, renormalised coupling constant $u \sim \xi^{-d} (\partial^2 \chi / \partial h^2) / \chi^2 = u^* (1 + a_u^+ t^{w\nu} + ...)$ is analysed using both renormalised perturbation theory and high-temperature series expansions by means of ε -expansion and second-order differential approximants, respectively. Results for the critical amplitude ratio a_u^+ / a_x^+ are within uncertainties in agreement, consistent with the prediction of universality.

1. Introduction

Near the critical point in systems that exhibit second-order phase transitions, a thermodynamic quantity f_i behaves as

$$f_i(t) = A_i |t|^{-\lambda_i} (1 + a_i |t|^{\Delta} + O(|t|^{2\Delta})).$$
⁽¹⁾

Here $t = (T - T_c)/T_c$, Δ is the Wortis-Wegner (Wortis 1970, Wegner 1972) correction to scaling exponent, and a_i is the amplitude of the confluent singular term. It has been shown that the ratios a_i/a_i are universal quantities (Aharony and Ahlers 1980, Chang and Houghton 1980a, b, 1981, Chang 1980). They have been calculated to zeroth order in $\varepsilon = 4 - d$ by Aharony and Ahlers (1980) using the Nelson-Rudnick (1975) renormalisation group approach, and also (Chang and Houghton 1980a, b, 1981, Chang 1980) to second order in ε using the massless renormalised perturbation theory (RPT) (Brézin *et al* 1976, Amit 1978). Recently Bagnuls and Bervillier (1981) have calculated these ratios using higher-order RPT estimates (Baker *et al* 1976) at d = 3 in the massive theory (Brézin *et al* 1976, Amit 1978). Ferer *et al* (1977; Rogiers *et al* 1979), Nickel (1980) and Nickel and Rehr (1983) have also given the values of some a_i/a_i using the high-temperature series expansion method (HTSE). Some experimental values are also available (Ahlers 1980, Bourgon and Beysens 1981).

Recently there has been some interest in HTSE of the dimensionless renormalised coupling constant $u \sim \xi^{-d} (\partial^2 \chi / \partial H^2) / \chi^2$ (ξ is the correlation length, χ is the susceptibility, and H is the magnetic field) for the hyperscaling problem (Rehr 1979, Baker and Kincaid 1979).

The purpose of this paper is to analyse this coupling constant u by taking the confluent singular term into consideration using both HTSE and RPT. Some amplitude ratios like a_u^+/a_x^+ , a_u^+/a_{ξ}^+ and $a_{M_2}^+/a_x^+$ (+means $T > T_c$, M_2 is the second moment of the spin-spin correlation function defined as $\xi^2 \sim M_2/\chi$) are given. The results of both theories are in agreement with each other.

2. Renormalised perturbation theory

We first discuss briefly renormalised perturbation theory. We start from a Ginzburg-Landau effective Hamiltonian H, with

$$\beta H = \int d^{d}x H(x),$$

$$H(x) = \frac{1}{2} [\nabla \phi(x)]^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \mu^{2} \phi^{2}(x) + (\lambda/4!) [\phi^{2}(x)]^{2}.$$
(2)

Here $\phi(x)$ is a local *n*-component vector field. Expressions for amplitude of the confluent singular term a_i have been given explicitly in the massless and massive RPT in Chang and Houghton (1980a, b, 1981), Chang (1980) and Bagnuls and Bervillier (1981), respectively. The distinction between the two different renormalisation schemes is that in the massless theory, the renormalisation conditions are fixed at $T = T_c$, while the massive theory is renormalised at $T \neq T_c$.

The starting point here is the scaling equation for the vertex function $\Gamma_{R}^{(L,N)}$ in the massless theory (see Chang and Houghton 1980a, b, 1981, Chang 1980, Brézin *et al* 1976, Amit 1978):

$$\Gamma_{\rm R}^{(L,N)}(p_1 \dots p_2, q_1 \dots q_N; t \Lambda, g, \kappa, M) = Z_{\phi}^{L_2} Z_{\phi}^{N/2} \Gamma^{(L,N)}(p_1 \dots p_2, q_1 \dots q_N; \mu^2, \Lambda, \lambda, \phi)$$
(3)

where

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$$\mu^2 = \mu_c^2 + Z_{\phi^2} t, \tag{4}$$

$$\bar{\phi} = Z_{\phi}^{1/2} M, \tag{5}$$

$$g = \kappa^{\epsilon} u. \tag{6}$$

Here $\Gamma_{\rm R}^{(L,N)}$, t, M and g are renormalised quantities; $\mu_{\rm c}^2$ is the value of μ^2 at $T = T_{\rm c}$; κ is an arbitrary momentum scale; and Z_{ϕ} and Z_{ϕ^2} are the renormalisation constants which can be calculated from the renormalisation conditions. When u is close to its fixed point u^* , we find

$$\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(L,N)}(p_{1}\dots p_{2},q_{1}\dots q_{N};t,M=0,u) = Y^{N}X^{L}\tilde{\iota}^{\nu[d-N(d-2+\eta)/2]-L}\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(L,N)}(p\tilde{\iota}^{-\nu};t=1,M=0,u^{*},\kappa=1) \times \left[1+(u-u^{*})\tilde{\iota}^{\omega\nu}\left(\frac{\partial\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(L,N)}(p\tilde{\iota}^{-\nu};t=1,M=0,u,\kappa=1)/\partial u|_{u^{*}}}{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(L,N)}(p\tilde{\iota}^{-\nu};t=1,M=0,u^{*},\kappa=1)} - \frac{\frac{1}{2}N[\partial\eta(u)/\partial u]|_{u^{*}}+\nu[d-\frac{1}{2}N(d-2+\eta)](\partial\nu^{-1}/\partial u)|_{u^{*}}}{\omega}\right)\right],$$
(7)

which identifies the correction to scaling amplitude a_i . All the renormalised quantities can easily be rewritten in terms of bare quantities using (3), (4) and (5).

In the massive theory the renormalised vertex function $\Gamma_{R}^{(L,N)}$ is also related to the bare one by

$$\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(L,N)}(\{q\};\{p\};m,u) = Z_{3}^{N/2} (Z_{4}/Z_{3}) \Gamma^{(L,N)}(\{q\};\{p\};\mu^{2},\lambda,\Lambda).$$
(8)

The renormalisation conditions are defined at $T \neq T_c$. We should note that both *u*'s in (7) and (8) are the dimensionless renormalised coupling constants in the massless and massive theory respectively. They are two completely different quantities,

although we still use the same conventional notation. In the massless theory u is temperature independent, while in (8) it is a function of temperature.

From the renormalisation conditions, it is easy to see that $\chi^{-1} = \Gamma^{(0,2)}(0; \mu^2, \lambda) = Z_3^{-1}m^2$ and

$$\xi^{2} = \frac{\partial \Gamma^{(0,2)}(p; \mu^{2}; \lambda)}{\partial p^{2}} / \Gamma^{(0,2)}(p; \mu^{2}, \lambda) \Big|_{p=0} = m^{-2}.$$

Also using

$$\chi = \partial \bar{\phi} / \partial H = \left[\Gamma^{(0,2)}(\bar{\phi}, \mu^2) \right]^{-1} = \left[\partial^2 \Gamma(\bar{\phi}, \mu^2) / \partial \bar{\phi}^2 \right]^{-1}$$

 $(\Gamma(\bar{\phi}, \mu^2)$ is the free energy, $\bar{\phi}$ is the magnetisation), we can simply use chain differentiation to establish that

$$\xi^{-d} (\partial^2 \chi / \partial H^2) / \chi^2 = -\xi^{-d} \chi^2 \Gamma^{(4)}(p=0) = -m^d m^{-4} Z_3^{+2} \Gamma^{(4)}(p=0)$$
$$= -m^{-\epsilon} \Gamma_{\rm R}^{(0,4)}(p=0) = -u \qquad (T > T_{\rm c}).$$
(9)

This is exactly the dimensionless renormalised coupling constant in the massive theory.

3. Confluent amplitude in RPT

We now calculate a_u^+ in the massless theory. Then using the known values of a_x^+ , a_ξ^+ and $a_{M_2}^+ = (2a_\xi^+ + a_x^+)$, we can immediately determine a_u^+/a_x^+ , a_u^+/a_ξ^+ and $a_{M_2}^+/a_x^+$. We shall also reproduce these results in the massive theory. This serves as a check that such universal quantities are independent of the renormalisation scheme.

From (9), we have

$$u = \xi^{-d} \chi^{2} \Gamma^{(0,4)}(p=0) = \xi^{-d}_{R} \chi^{2}_{R} \Gamma^{(0,4)}_{R}(p=0)$$

$$= Y^{4-4} \tilde{t}^{d\nu-2\gamma+\nu(d-(d-2+\eta)2)} \Gamma^{-d}_{R}(t=1, u^{*}) \chi^{2}_{R}(t=1, u=u^{*})$$

$$\times \Gamma^{(0,4)}_{R}(p=0; t=1, u^{*}) [1 + t^{\omega\nu}(-da^{+}_{\xi_{R}} + 2a^{+}_{\chi_{R}} + a^{+}_{\Gamma^{(0,4)}_{R}})]$$

$$= \xi^{-d}_{R}(t=1, u^{*}) \chi^{2}_{R}(t=1, u=u^{*}) \Gamma^{(0,4)}_{R}(p=0; t=1, u^{*})$$

$$\times [1 + t^{\omega\nu}(-da^{+}_{\xi_{R}} + 2a^{+}_{\chi_{R}} + a^{+}_{\Gamma^{(0,4)}_{R}})].$$
(10)

Note that $\gamma = \nu(2 - \eta)$ has been used. The Feynman diagrams of $\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(0,4)}(p = 0; t = 1, u)$ are shown in figures 1 and 2. Therefore after some algebra we have

$$a_{\Gamma_{R}^{(0,4)}}^{+} = (u - u^{*}) X^{\omega \nu} \left(\frac{\partial \Gamma_{R}^{(0,4)}(p=0; t=1, u) / \partial u |_{u^{*}}}{\Gamma_{R}^{(0,4)}(p=0; t=1, u)} - \frac{2 \partial \eta(u) / \partial u |_{u^{*}} + \nu (d - 2(d - 2 + \eta)) \partial \nu^{-1} / \partial u |_{u^{*}}}{\omega} \right)$$
$$= (u - u^{*}) X^{\omega \nu} \frac{n+8}{6\varepsilon} \left[1 + \varepsilon \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{n+2}{2(n+8)} - \frac{11n+46}{(n+8)^{2}} \right) \right].$$
(11)

Using the known values (Chang and Houghton 1980a, b, 1981, Chang 1980)

$$a_{\xi_{\mathsf{R}}}^{+} = -(u - u^{*}) X^{\omega_{\nu}} \frac{n+2}{12\varepsilon} \left(1 + \varepsilon \frac{3n^{2} + 50n + 148}{2(n+8)^{2}} \right), \tag{12}$$

$$a_{\chi_{R}}^{+} = -(u - u^{*}) X^{\omega_{\nu}} \frac{n+2}{6\varepsilon} \left(1 + \varepsilon \frac{3(n^{2} + 16n + 44)}{2(n+8)^{2}} \right),$$
(13)

$$(a) = \int_{B}^{(0,4)} (\rho = 0; u, t, \kappa) = Z_{\varphi}^{2} = \int_{C}^{(0,4)} (\rho = 0; \lambda, \mu^{2})$$

$$= u \kappa^{\epsilon} - \frac{n \cdot \theta}{6} u^2 \kappa^{2\epsilon} \left(\sum_{\tau} \left(\sum_{\tau} \left(\frac{1}{\tau} \right)^{-1} \right) \right)$$

$$(b) \longleftarrow = \frac{1}{p^2 + t} \qquad \qquad \bullet - - \bullet = \frac{1}{p^2}$$

Figure 1. (a) Bare vetex function $\Gamma^{(0,4)}(p=0; \lambda, \mu^2)$ to first order of λ (bare coupling constant). (b) The Feyman propagator used in (a).

(a)
$$\Gamma^{(0,4)}(\rho = 0; \lambda, \mu^2) = \lambda - \frac{n+8}{6} \lambda^2$$

$$\frac{D}{D} = \frac{1}{p^2 + \mu^2}$$

Figure 2. (a) Renormalised vertex function $\Gamma_{\rm R}^{(0,4)}(p=0; u, t, \kappa)$ to first order of u in which κ is an arbitrary momentum scale. (b) The Feynman propagators used in (a).

we obtain

$$a_{u_{\mathbf{R}}}^{+} = -(4-\varepsilon)a_{\xi_{\mathbf{R}}}^{+} + 2a_{\chi_{\mathbf{R}}}^{+} + a_{\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(0,4)}}^{+}$$
$$= \frac{n+8}{6\varepsilon} \left[1 + \varepsilon \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{9n+42}{(n+8)^2} \right) \right] (u-u^*) X^{\omega\nu}.$$
(14)

Then it follows that (n = 1, d = 3)

$$a_{u}^{+}/a_{\chi}^{+} = -3(1+\varepsilon(-\frac{7}{27})) = -2.22,$$
 (15)

$$a_{u}^{+}/a_{\xi}^{+} = -6(1+\varepsilon(-\frac{10}{27})) = -3.78,$$
(16)

$$a_{M_2}^+/a_{\chi}^+ = 1 + 2a_{\xi}^+/a_{\chi}^+ = 1 + (1 + 0.11\varepsilon) = 2.11.$$
⁽¹⁷⁾

We can check these results using the massive theory. Bagnuls and Bervillier (1981) have the formula

$$u = u^* + (Xt)^{\omega\nu} \left(\frac{A_1}{\lambda^{\epsilon}}\right)^{\omega} = u^* \left[1 + \frac{1}{u^*} (Xt)^{\omega\nu} \left(\frac{A_1}{\lambda^{\epsilon}}\right)^{\omega}\right].$$
 (18)

Comparing (9) and (18),

$$\xi_{\mathbf{R}}^{-d}(t=1,\,u^*)\chi_{\mathbf{R}}^2(t=1,\,u=u^*)\Gamma_{\mathbf{R}}^{(0,4)})p=0;\,t=1,\,u^*)$$

calculated in the massless theory indeed gives

$$\frac{6}{(n+8)} \left[1 + \varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3(3n+14)}{(n+8)^2} \right) \right] = u^*$$

in the massive theory. We can take the ratio a_{u}^{+}/a_{χ}^{+} and get

$$\frac{a_{u}^{+}}{a_{x}^{+}} = \frac{u^{*}}{\gamma_{3}^{(1)}/\omega + (2-\eta)[\nu/(\omega\nu+1)][(\gamma_{4}^{(1)} - \gamma_{3}^{(1)})/\omega - \gamma_{3}^{(1)}/(2-\eta)]},$$
(19)

$$\gamma_{3}^{(1)} = \frac{d\gamma_{3}(u)}{du}\Big|_{u^{*}} = \frac{d(\beta(u)(d/du)\ln Z_{3}(u))}{du}\Big|_{u^{*}},$$
(20)

$$\gamma_{4}^{(1)} = \frac{d\gamma_{4}(u)}{du} \Big|_{u^{*}} = \frac{d(\beta(u)(d/du) \ln Z_{4}(u))}{du} \Big|_{u^{*}}.$$
(21)

Using all the known values in the massive theory (Brézin *et al* 1973), equation (19) gives exactly the same result in (15).

4. Confluent amplitude in HTSE

The approach for estimating a_u^+ in HTSE is based on an analysis of the series x(y) introduced by Nickel and Sharpe (1979) where x is the squared correlation length and $y = cu^{-2/d}$ (c is a constant chosen such ahat $x/y \to 1, y \to 0$). We follow the method outlined in Rehr (1979) based on second-order homogeneous differential approximants biased with a fixed value of y^* . Near y^* , one has

$$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{y})/\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}^{+}(1 - \mathbf{y}/\mathbf{y}^{*})^{-2/\omega} + \mathbf{B}^{+}(1 - \mathbf{y}/\mathbf{y}^{*})^{-\gamma_{2}}$$
(22)

while near T_c , the squared correlation length diverges as

$$x = C^+ t^{-2\nu} \tag{23}$$

where $t = (1 - K/K_c)$, K_c being the critical value of J/KT. Combining (22) and (23) gives for d = 3 the relation

$$a_{\mu}^{+} = \frac{3}{2} (A^{+} y^{*} / C^{+})^{\omega/2}.$$
(24)

Since the precise value of y^* is uncertain, calculations were carried out at $y^* = 0.1602$, 0.1608 and 0.1615 using series containing 12 and 13 terms. Since the work of Rehr (1979) and Nickel and Sharpe (1979), one additional term has been added to x(y), owing to the availability of an additional term in the χ'' series (McKenzie 1979). It is found that the critical amplitudes are linearly correlated with the value of the leading exponent, with a slope $\delta A^+ / \delta \omega \sim 0.1$. Also it is found that the results of various approximants for both 12 and 13 terms are most nearly consistent with $y^* \approx 0.1608$, somewhat higher than the value of ω is the central value among the various approximants, and the value of A^+ is that corresponding to this ω , taking into account the correlation noted above. Values of a_{μ}^+ are obtained using (24), with

Table 1. Critical parameters of x(y)/y against y^* from HTSE (present work) and, for comparison results from RPT, with a_x^+ (HTSE) = -0.12 (Nickel and Rehr 1983).

	HTSE			RPT
y*	0.1602	0.1608	0.1615	0.1615°
υ	0.79	0.78	0.78	0. 79 ^b
1 ⁺	0.0087	0.013	0.024	_
1 ⁺ _u	0.21	0.25	0.32	_
a_u^+ a_u^+/a_x^+	-1.75	-2.08	-2.67	-2.22

^a Nickel and Sharpe 1979.

^b Brézin et al 1973.

 $C^+ = 0.199$ (Fisher and Burford 1967). Results for the critical amplitude ratio are based on the estimate $a_x^+ = -0.12$ for the Ising model (Nickel and Rehr (1983).

Interpolating in table 1 to *match* the results of RPT for a_u^+/a_x^+ gives $y^* = 0.1612$, close to the RPT estimate of 0.1615. If one adopts $y^* = 0.1615$, however, one obtains an amplitude ratio a_u^+/a_x^+ some 10% higher than that of the RPT. Thus, while these results suggest consistency between the RPT and HTSE approaches, the present uncertainty in the value of y^* prevents a definitive comparison. The need for longer χ'' series is clearly indicated.

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