

# More Correlation Inequalities for a Class of Even Ferromagnets

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Rigorous correlation inequalities are presented for a class of even ferromagnets, which includes the spin-1/2 Ising model and scalar  $\phi^4$  models. One of them leads to an extension of the Glimm and Jaffe uniform upper bound on the  $\phi^4$  renormalized coupling constant into the nonsymmetric regime.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In previous work,<sup>(1)</sup> a series of new correlation inequalities were presented for ferromagnets with the pair interaction Hamiltonian and single spin measure belonging to the Ellis–Monroe–Newman class.<sup>(2)</sup>

In this paper, I report more correlation inequalities for the fourth Ursell function (or cumulant)  $U_4$  with the presence of the external magnetic field  $h \geq 0$ . Note that the previous work omitted terms containing at least one expectation  $\langle \varphi(x_1) \cdots \varphi(x_n) \rangle$  with  $n$  odd, because we aimed at obtaining bounds on the four- (and six-) point coupling constants in the single-phase region.

Correlation inequalities are used extensively in the triviality proof<sup>(3,4)</sup> of  $(\phi^4)_d$  theories in  $d > 4$  dimensions constructed as subsequence limits of the corresponding lattice models. The triviality implies that the renormalized coupling constant defined by  $g^{(4)} \equiv -\bar{U}_4/(\chi^2 \xi^d)$  vanishes as the lattice system is moved to the critical point  $J_c$ , which was only proven in the

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case of approaching the critical point  $J_c$  from the high-temperature phase  $J < J_c$ ,  $h = 0$ . The absolute bound<sup>(4,5)</sup> on  $g^{(4)}$  is also known only in the single-phase region.

The inequality (2.2) given in the next section is sufficient to prove the absolute *upper* bound on  $g^{(4)}$ , i.e., for all  $J \geq 0$  and all  $h \geq 0$ ,

$$g^{(4)} \equiv -\bar{U}_4/(\chi^2 \xi^d) \leq \text{const}(d) \quad (1.1)$$

where the constant is independent of  $J$ ,  $h$ , and all parameters used to specify the single spin measure  $\nu(d\varphi)$  (if it belongs to the Ellis–Monroe–Newman class). It should be remarked that, because of the possible violation of the Lebowitz inequality  $U_4 \leq 0$  [see (2.1)], we have no simple lower bound such that  $g^{(4)} \geq 0$ , which will be satisfied only at the critical point  $J_c$ .

However, the absolute upper bound on  $g^{(4)}$  in the whole  $(J, h)$  plane may support the idea of critical point dominance,<sup>(6,7)</sup> following Glimm and Jaffe.<sup>(6)</sup>

We also obtained correlation inequalities for  $U_6$ . But their form is so complicated that they are not reported in this paper.

Explicit forms of the cumulants are given as follows:

$$U_2(x_1, x_2) \equiv G_2(x_1, x_2) = \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle - \langle x_1 \rangle \langle x_2 \rangle \quad (1.2)$$

$$U_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \langle x_1, x_2, x_3 \rangle - \sum \langle x_{i_1} \rangle \langle x_{i_2}, x_{i_3} \rangle + 2 \langle x_1 \rangle \langle x_2 \rangle \langle x_3 \rangle \quad (1.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_4(x_1, \dots, x_4) &= \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle - \sum \langle x_{i_1}, x_{i_2} \rangle \langle x_{i_3}, x_{i_4} \rangle \\ &\quad - \sum \langle x_{i_1} \rangle \langle x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}, x_{i_4} \rangle + 2 \sum \langle x_{i_1} \rangle \langle x_{i_2} \rangle \langle x_{i_3}, x_{i_4} \rangle \\ &\quad - 6 \langle x_1 \rangle \langle x_2 \rangle \langle x_3 \rangle \langle x_4 \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

where we used the simplified notation

$$\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \equiv \langle \varphi(x_1) \cdots \varphi(x_n) \rangle \quad (1.5)$$

Note that the absolute bound on the three-point amplitude was already obtained in Ref. 8, which can be shown for our models using the correlation inequalities (3.12a) and (3.12b) in Ref. 1:

$$0 \geq U_3(i, j, k) \geq -4 \langle i \rangle G_2(j, k) \quad (1.6)$$

Let  $\Phi = \{\varphi_i \in \mathbb{R}; i = 1, \dots, N\}$  be a finite family of real-valued, random variables, whose joint distribution  $\mu$  on  $\mathbb{R}^N$  is given by

$$d\mu_{J,h}(\Phi) = Z_{J,h}^{-1} \exp[-H_{J,h}(\Phi)] \prod_{i=1}^N d\nu(\varphi_i)$$

where  $H_{J,h}(\Phi)$ ,  $(J, h) = \{J_{ij}, h_i\}$ , is the Hamiltonian defined by

$$H_{J,h}(\Phi) = - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} J_{ij} \varphi_i \varphi_j - \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} h_i \varphi_i, \quad J_{ij} \geq 0, \quad h_i \geq 0$$

and  $Z_{J,h}$  is the partition function, chosen so that  $\int d\mu_{J,h}(\Phi) = 1$ .

Consider the fourfold duplicate system whose random variables  $\Phi^{(a)}$  ( $a = 1, \dots, 4$ ) are independently, identically distributed by  $\mu$ . If the single spin measure  $\nu$  belongs to the Ellis–Monroe–Newman class, then, for arbitrary sets of four multi-indices  $P = (P(1), \dots, P(4))$ ,

$$\int d\mu(\Phi^{(1)}) \cdots d\mu(\Phi^{(4)}) \prod_{a=1}^4 [(B\Phi)^{(a)}]^{P(a)} \geq 0 \quad (1.7)$$

where  $(B\Phi)^{(a)} = \sum_{b=1}^4 B_{ab} \Phi^{(b)}$  and  $B$  is the orthogonal matrix

$$B = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that each  $p_k(a)$  ( $a = 1, \dots, 4$ ;  $k = 1, \dots, N$ ) takes nonnegative integral values. For details see Ref. 1.

## 2. NEW CORRELATION INEQUALITIES

Now I give new correlation inequalities, together with the corresponding sets of multi-indices  $P = (P(1), \dots, P(4))$ . In the following,  $P(a) = n$  implies that  $p_{k_1}(a) = 1$ ,  $p_{k_2}(a) = 1, \dots, p_{k_n}(a) = 1$  for arbitrarily chosen sites  $k_1, \dots, k_n$ .

1.  $P = (1, 1, 1, 1)$ :

$$U_4(i, j, k, l) \leq -4\langle i \rangle U_3(j, k, l) \quad (2.1)$$

2.  $P = (0, 2, 2, 0), (0, 2, 0, 2), (0, 0, 2, 2)$ :

$$U_4(i, j, k, l) \geq -4G_2(i, j) G_2(k, l) \quad (2.2)$$

3.  $P = (2, 2, 0, 0), (2, 0, 2, 0), (2, 0, 0, 2)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} U_4(i, j, k, l) &\geq -4\langle i \rangle U_3(j, k, l) - 4\langle j \rangle U_3(i, k, l) \\ &\quad - 4G_2(i, j) G_2(k, l) - 16\langle i \rangle \langle j \rangle G_2(k, l) \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

*Remark 1.* For  $P = (0, 4, 0, 0)$ ,  $(0, 0, 4, 0)$ , and  $(0, 0, 0, 4)$ , we get

$$U_4(i, j, k, l) \geq -4G_2(i, j) G_2(k, l) - 4G_2(i, k) G_2(j, l) \\ - 4G_2(i, l) G_2(j, k)$$

But this is weaker than (2.2), in view of Griffiths second inequality ( $G_2 \geq 0$ ).

*Remark 2.*<sup>3</sup> The inequality (1.6) [(3.12b) of Ref. 1] with factor 2 instead of 4 can be obtained from the Ginibre inequality<sup>(9)</sup>  $\langle t_i q_j q_k \rangle \geq 0$ . So the EMN argument is weaker here. This is the case for the inequality (3.13b) of Ref. 1.

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