

Physics 220: Problem Set 3  
due May 19, 2011.

1. **Kardar, Chapter 6, Problem 3.** The solution is in the book and so will not be graded.
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3. **High temperature expansion for the  $O(n)$  model on the honeycomb lattice:** Consider the partition function defined by

$$Z = \prod_i \int [d\vec{s}_i] \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} [1 + nt \vec{s}_i \cdot \vec{s}_j], \quad (1)$$

where  $\vec{s}_i$  are  $n$ -component spins of unit length  $|\vec{s}_i| = 1$  and  $t > 0$ . The integrals are defined to be uniform over the  $n$ -dimensional sphere, i.e.  $\int [d\vec{s}_i] = \int ds_i^1 \cdots ds_i^n \delta(\vec{s}_i \cdot \vec{s}_i - 1)$ . Take the sites to reside on a honeycomb lattice, which is the two-dimensional lattice composed of hexagons sharing sides (the links), three of which intersect at each vertex  $i$ .

- (a) Construct a high temperature expansion for the partition function. What are the diagrams that appear and what is the weight for each diagram?
  - (b) Construct an expansion for the spin-spin correlation function,  $C_{ij} = \langle \vec{s}_i \cdot \vec{s}_j \rangle$ . Show that, in the limit of  $n \rightarrow 0$ , this gives just a sum over configurations of a single self-avoiding polymer.
4. **Kardar, Chapter 7, Problem 11.**