

Finite Size Scaling

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 - Idea: Analyse finite systems and deduce conclusions for TD limit

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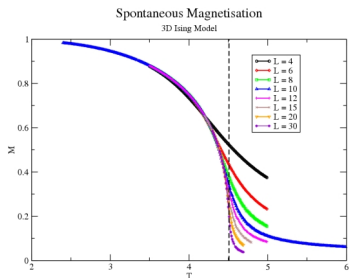
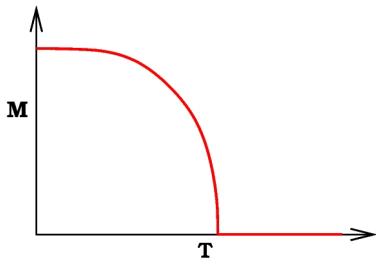


Figure: In TD limit the order parameter is 0 for $T > T_c$ but in FS the transition is smeared out.

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Equilibrium TD behaviour of FS smooth for both 1st AND 2nd order transitions

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- Including this into scaling theory gives $\chi(L, T) = |t|^{-\gamma} g\left(\frac{L}{\xi(t)}\right)$, where $t = (T - T_c)/T_c$

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- Sideproduct: Maximum of TD quantity grows like $L^{\gamma/\nu}$

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- Sufficiently large system sizes L

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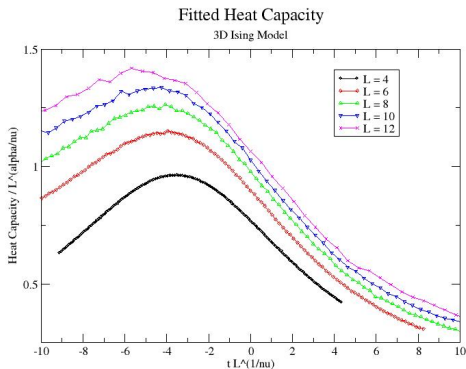


Figure: With correct exponents we see data collapse near T_C

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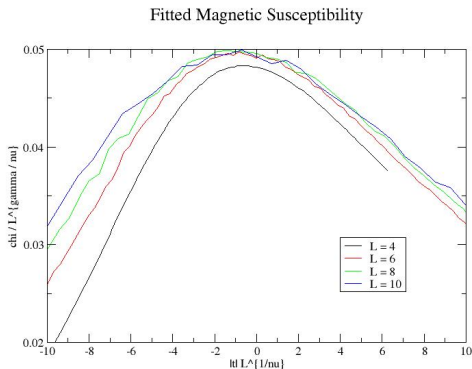


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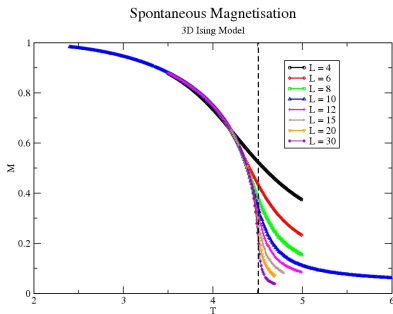


Figure: The order parameter is never zero.

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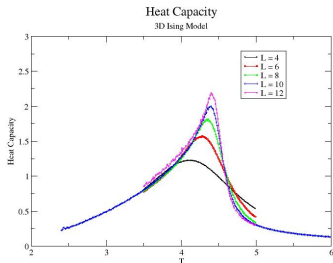


Figure: The quantities do not diverge.

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- Denote temperature where χ has maximum by $T_c(L)$
- Assumption: $\xi(T_c(L) - T_c) = aL$

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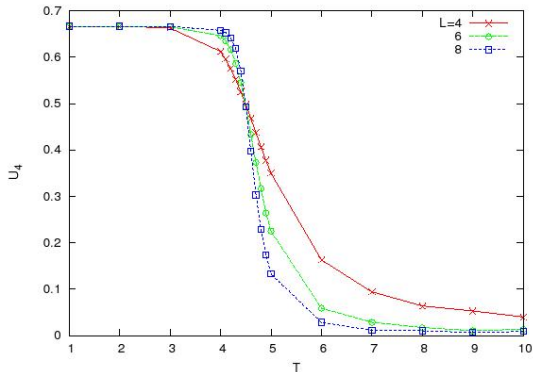


Figure: Binder Parameter for the 3D Ising Model

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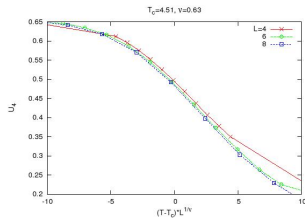
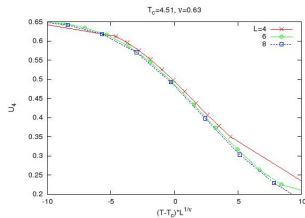


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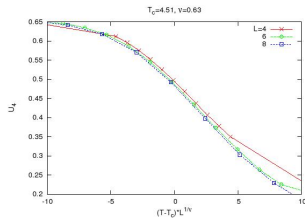
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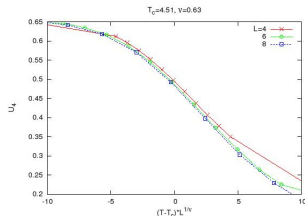
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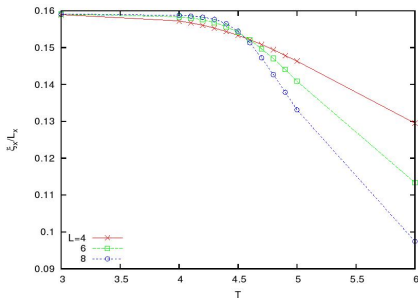
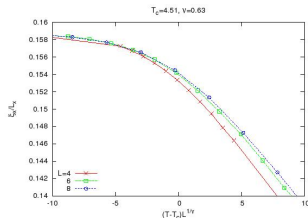
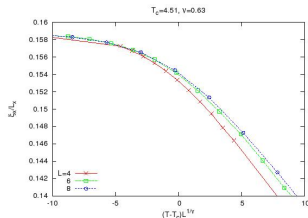


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Example: Ising Model

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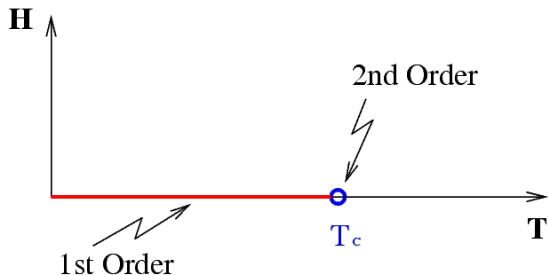


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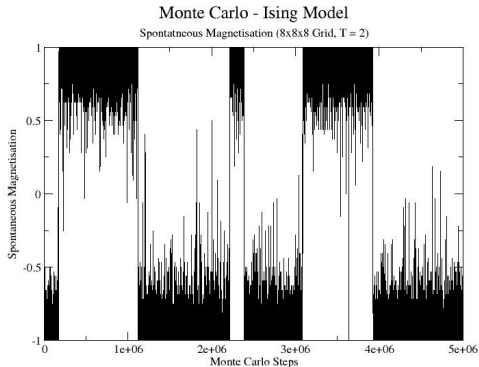


Figure: Spontaneous Magnetisation fluctuates from one ordered state to the other

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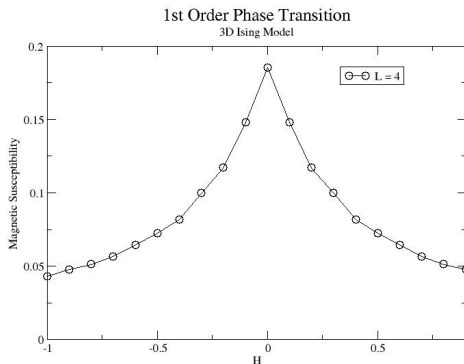


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