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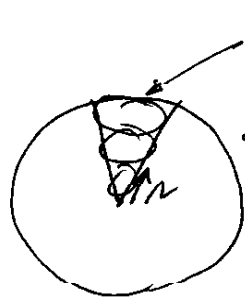
Chem 664

Problem Set #10

Due: November 19, 2003

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A(5.20) f-arm star on 2D



$$\xi \approx 1/f, \quad \xi \approx b g^{3/4}, \quad \sigma \approx \frac{g b^2}{\xi^2} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}$$

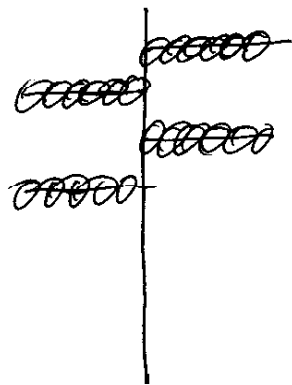
$$\sigma \approx \left(\frac{\xi}{b}\right)^{-2/3} \approx \left(\frac{b f}{\xi}\right)^{2/3} \quad \text{area fraction}$$

$$g \approx (\xi/b)^{4/3}$$

$$N \approx \int_b^R \frac{\sigma(r)}{b^2} 2\pi r dr \approx \frac{1}{b^2} \int_0^R \left(\frac{b f}{r}\right)^{2/3} r dr \approx f^{2/3} \left(\frac{R}{b}\right)^{4/3}$$

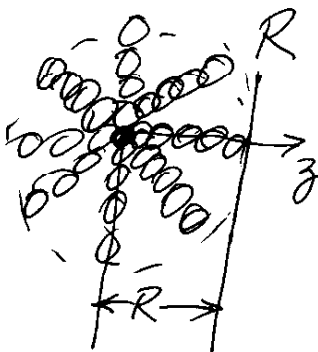
$$R \approx \frac{b N^{3/4}}{f^{1/2}}$$

B(5.21) Correction. Hint provided is not correct!



Side view

Top view



$$\xi \approx \frac{1}{\sigma} \quad g \approx \left(\frac{\xi}{b}\right)^{5/3} \approx \left(\frac{1}{b\sigma}\right)^{5/3}$$

$$R \approx \xi \left(\frac{N}{g}\right) \approx \frac{1}{\sigma} (b\sigma)^{5/3} N \approx N b^{5/3} \sigma^{2/3}$$

$$\phi \approx \begin{cases} b^3 g / \xi^3 \approx (b\sigma)^{4/3} & z < R \\ 0 & z > R \end{cases}$$

C(5.22)

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Cone in the core $\phi_A \approx \frac{|VA|}{b^3} \approx 2\chi_A - 1$

(i) Core volume, $V_{core} \approx \frac{f N_A b^3}{\phi_A} \approx \frac{f N_A b^3}{2\chi_A - 1}$

Core size, $R_{core} \approx V_{core}^{1/3} \approx b \left(\frac{f N_A}{2\chi_A - 1} \right)^{1/3} \approx f^{1/3} R_{gl}$

Contrasted to $R_{gl} \approx b \left(\frac{N}{2\chi - 1} \right)^{1/3}$

(ii) $\gamma \approx \frac{kT}{\xi^2} \approx \frac{kT}{b^2} (2\chi - 1)^2$

$R_{core}^2 \approx f^{2/3} R_{gl}^2$

$\gamma R_{core}^2 \approx f^{2/3} \gamma R_{gl}^2$

Surface energy per arm $\frac{\gamma R_{core}^2}{f} \approx f^{-1/3} \gamma R_{gl}^2$

$\therefore$ surface energy of the core
 $= f^{1/3} \cdot$ surface energy of
 globule of
 each block

(iii) Each block is confined to a cone with $4\pi/f$ solid angle

Cross sectional area at r from the center $= r^2/f$

Correlation length $\xi \approx r/\sqrt{f} \approx b\phi^{-3/4}$

$\therefore \phi \approx \left(\frac{\xi}{b} \right)^{-4/3} \approx \left(\frac{b\sqrt{f}}{r} \right)^{4/3}$ $\leftarrow$ athermal

$f N_B = \int \frac{\phi(r)}{b^3} dV \approx \frac{1}{b^3} \int_{R_{core}}^{R_{micelle}} \phi(r) r^2 dr \approx \frac{1}{b^3} \int_{R_{core}}^{R_{micelle}} \left(\frac{b\sqrt{f}}{r} \right)^{4/3} r^2 dr$

$\approx f^{1/3} \left[\left(\frac{R_{micelle}}{b} \right)^{5/3} - \left(\frac{R_{core}}{b} \right)^{5/3} \right]$

$R_{micelle} \approx b \left[\left(\frac{R_{core}}{b} \right)^{5/3} + f^{1/3} N_B \right]^{3/5}$

$\approx f^{1/5} b \left[f^{2/9} \left(\frac{N_A}{2\chi - 1} \right)^{5/9} + N_B \right]^{3/5}$

D(6.4)

 $n(p, N) = p^{N-1}(1-p)$ which is just a MPD problem

$$m_0 = \sum n(p, N) = 1$$

$$m_1 = \sum N p^{N-1}(1-p) = (1-p)(1+2p+3p^2+\dots) = \frac{1-p}{(1-p)^2} = \frac{1}{1-p}$$

$$m_2 = \sum N^2 p^{N-1}(1-p) = (1-p)(1+4p+9p^2+16p^3+\dots) \\ = (1-p) \frac{(1+p)}{(1-p)^3} = \frac{1+p}{(1-p)^2} \quad (\text{see Handout \#5})$$

$$N_m = \frac{1}{1-p} = 100$$

$$N_w = \frac{1+p}{1-p} = 199$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} N_m = \frac{1}{1-p} = 100 \\ N_w = \frac{1+p}{1-p} = 199 \end{array} \right\} p = 0.99, \quad N_w/N_m = 1.99 \approx 2$$

E(6.14)

$$p_c = \frac{1}{f-1}$$

(i) honeycomb, $f=3$, $p_c = 1/2$ (ii) square lattice, $f=4$, $p_c = 1/3$ (iii) ~~diamond~~ triangular, $f=6$, $p_c = 1/5$ (iv) diamond, $f=4$, $p_c = 1/3$ (v) Cubic, $f=6$, $p_c = 1/5$

(vi) The predictions are slightly lower than the values in Table 6.1. The mean field theory does not let the loops formed whereas they are counted in those in the table. The loops do not contribute to the global connectivity hence the move is wasted than the mean field theory predicts.

(vii) The higher the dimension, the more likely the mean field theory is correct because of fewer loops. Note that $d=6$, the mean field theory is exact

exchange

F(6.11)

$$f=4, \quad P_{sd}^{1/4} = 1-p + p P_{sd}^{3/4}$$

$$\text{let } x \equiv P_{sd}^{1/4}, \quad px^3 - x + (1-p) = 0$$

 $x=1$ is a solution

$$[px + px - (1-p)](x-1) = 0$$

Thus $px^2 + px - (1-p) = 0$

$$x = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 + 4p(1-p)}}{2p}, \text{ the positive solution}$$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{4p-3p^2} - p}{2p}$$

$$\therefore P_{sol} = 1 \text{ for } p \leq p_c = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P_{sol} = x^4 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{4p-3p^2} - p}{2p} \right)^4 \text{ for } p > p_c = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P_{gel} = 0 \text{ for } p \leq p_c = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P_{gel} = 1 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{4p-3p^2} - p}{2p} \right)^4 \text{ for } p > p_c = \frac{1}{3}$$

At $p=0.4$, $P_{sol} = 0.458$

G(6.20) (i) $1-p + p(1-P_{gel}) = 1 - pP_{gel}$ - probability for not crosslinked or not a part of the gel even if crosslinked.

$$P_{sol} = 1 - P_{gel} = (1 - pP_{gel})^N$$

(ii) $\ln(1 - P_{gel}) = N \ln(1 - pP_{gel}) \approx -NpP_{gel}$ $pP_{gel} \ll 1$

$$\ln(1-x) = -x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \dots$$

$$1 - P_{gel} \approx e^{-NpP_{gel}}$$

H(6.23) $N_0 = 10^3$

(i) $\varepsilon_g \approx N_0^{-1/3} \approx 0.1$

(ii) $N = N_0 \varepsilon_g^{-2} \approx N_0^{5/3} = 10^5$

(iii) $\xi = b N_0^{1/2} \left(\frac{N}{N_0} \right)^{1/4} = b (N/N_0)^{1/4} \approx b N_0^{1/4} \approx 308 \text{ \AA}$

(iv) $\phi \approx \frac{b^3 N}{\xi^3} \approx \left(\frac{N}{N_0} \right)^{1/4} \approx 0.1$

(v) $\varepsilon_g \approx P_{gel} \approx 0.1$ P_{gel} at ε_g

(vi) $\phi \approx P_{gel}$, $P \approx 1$