Magnetic Properties of Two Finite spin-1/2 XX Chains Connected through Two Ising spins



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We propose exactly solvable quantum model based on finite spin-1/2 XX chains with two bridging Ising spins, connecting XX chains at two intermediate lattice sites.

Model Hamiltonian has the form:



$$\mathbf{H} = -g_{1}\mu_{B}H\sum_{n=1}^{N_{1}}S_{1,n}^{z} - J_{1}\sum_{n=1}^{N_{1}-1} \left(S_{1,n}^{x}S_{1,n+1}^{x} + S_{1,n}^{y}S_{1,n+1}^{y}\right) - g_{2}\mu_{B}H\sum_{n=1}^{N_{2}}S_{2,n}^{z} - J_{2}\sum_{n=1}^{N_{2}-1} \left(S_{2,n}^{x}S_{2,n+1}^{x} + S_{2,n}^{y}S_{2,n+1}^{y}\right) - g_{01}\mu_{B}H\sigma_{1}^{z} - g_{02}\mu_{B}H\sigma_{2}^{z} - J_{01}\sigma_{1}^{z}\left(S_{1,n_{1}}^{z} + S_{2,n_{3}}^{z}\right) + J_{02}\sigma_{2}^{z}\left(S_{1,n_{2}}^{z} + S_{2,n_{4}}^{z}\right).$$

Z-projections of Ising additional spins commute with model Hamiltonian and are the good quantum numbers. This property permits us to consider Hamiltonian (1), as the Hamiltonian of the finite XX-chain with an effective impurity spin S = 1/2 at lattice sites $1, n_1$; $1, n_2$; $2, n_3$; $2, n_4$. Spin-1/2 XX chain is the well known example of exactly solvable model [1]. The XX model Hamiltonian one can rewrite as the Hamiltonian of ideal gas of spinless fermions.

Dispersion relations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2(N_1+1-n_2) \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \qquad (1 & 2(N_1+1-n_2) \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$



Low temperature thermodynamics



heat capacity at different spin values at



Summary:

- We derive exact dispersion equations for the stationary states with one inverted spin. The spectrum consists of two quasi-continuous zones and several localized impurity levels.
- The peculiarities of field and temperature dependences of the thermodynamic characteristics of the model were investigated numerically.
- The behavior of the average z-projection of Ising spins and longitudinal Ising impurity spin-spin correlation functions at low temperatures have been studied numerically.
- It was shown that under certain conditions, the average z-spin projection for impurity spins may have the finite jumps and non-monotonic dependence on the magnetic field at very low temperatures.
- Field dependence of magnetization may demonstrate two intermediate plateaus for strong AF Ising interactions at very low temperatures.
- We found numerically three maxima behavior of zero field temperature dependence of specific heat at some values of model parameters.

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