

Block Spin Transformations of 2D Sigma Model,
Toward Solving a Millennium Problem
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Abstract: We analyze 2D O(N) sigma model by block spin transformation:

$$\exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \langle \phi, G_0^{-1} \phi \rangle - \frac{g_0}{2N} \sum_x (\phi^2(x) - N\beta)^2 \right]$$

where $\phi(x) = (\phi_1(x), \dots, \phi_N(x))$, $G_0^{-1} = -\Delta + m_0^2$ and $-\Delta$ is the lattice laplacian on Z^2 . Put $\phi_0 = \phi$ and recursively define block spins

$$\phi_{n+1}(x) = \frac{1}{L^2} \sum_{|\zeta| < L/2} \phi_n(Lx + \zeta)$$

We represent ϕ_n in terms of block-spin ϕ_{n+1} of next order and fluctuations z_n . z_n is a massive Gaussian but gets strong effects of back ground field ϕ_{n+1} . We define a new notion of domain walls in the sigma model which has O(N) symmetry. The domain wall regions D_w have high energies, and on $(D_w)^c$ we can safely implement the block spin transformations. Thus we obtain the renormalization group flow of the 2D sigma model, which enables us to prove our long-standing claim.