

## Phase transition in one-dimensional Widom-Rowlinson models with spatially inhomogeneous potentials

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In a preceding paper [3], we discussed phase transition in one-dimensional Ising models. In the present paper, we consider the one-dimensional Widom-Rowlinson models with the formal Hamiltonian:

$$H(\sigma) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J(\sigma_k \sigma_{k+1}) - \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k \sigma_k^2,$$

where  $\sigma = (\sigma_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \{-1, 0, +1\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$  and

$$J(\sigma) = \begin{cases} +\infty, & \text{if } \sigma = -1, \\ 0, & \text{if } \sigma \neq -1. \end{cases}$$

As for the Widom-Rowlinson models in higher dimensions, see [4-8].

Let  $q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}$  be the conditional Gibbs distribution in the interval  $[n, m]$  with the boundary conditions  $\sigma_{n-1}$  and  $\sigma_{m+1}$ . We show later that the limit  $\lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow +\infty \\ m \rightarrow +\infty}} q_{\tau', \tau}^{[n, m]}$  exists for any constant boundary conditions  $\sigma_{n-1} = \tau'$  and  $\sigma_{m+1} = \tau$ . Put

$$q_{\tau', \tau} = \lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow +\infty \\ m \rightarrow +\infty}} q_{\tau', \tau}^{[n, m]}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{G}(h)$  be the set of Gibbs distributions with the potentials  $J$  and  $h = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ . Let  $\mathcal{G}_{ex}(h)$  be the set of extremal measures of the convex set  $\mathcal{G}(h)$ . It is well known that

$$\mathcal{G}_{ex}(h) \subset \{q_{\tau', \tau}; \tau', \tau = 0, \pm 1\}.$$

We prove the following Theorems.

**Theorem 1.** *Put*

$$\mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \begin{cases} \{-1, +1\}, & \text{if } \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} e^{-hk} < +\infty, \\ \{0\}, & \text{if } \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} e^{-hk} = +\infty. \end{cases}$$

A set  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h)$  is defined analogously. *Put*

$$\mathcal{M}(h) = \mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) \times \mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h).$$

The set  $\mathcal{G}_{ex}(h)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{M}(h)$ . The mapping

$$q = q_{\tau', \tau}; \mathcal{M}(h) \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{ex}(h)$$

is an isomorphism.

The equality  $\mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \{-1, +1\}$  in Theorem 1 implies that  $q_{\tau', 0}$  is not extremal. In this case,  $q_{\tau', 0}$  is expressed as a convex combination of measures in  $\mathcal{Q}_{ex}(h) \cong \mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) \times \mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h)$ . The coefficients in the combination can be computed by an infinite product of matrices. We prove in Lemma 2 that if  $\sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-h k} < +\infty$ , a product of matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ e^{-h n} & e^{-h n} & e^{-h n} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ e^{-h n+1} & e^{-h n+1} & e^{-h n+1} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdots \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ e^{-h m} & e^{-h m} & e^{-h m} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

converges as  $n \rightarrow -\infty$  and  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ . Denote the limit by  $\hat{\Pi}^{\pm\infty}$ . In what follows, for a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $M$  we denote its  $(\tau', \tau)$ -component by  $M(\tau', \tau)$ , i. e.,

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M(-1, -1) & M(-1, 0) & M(-1, +1) \\ M(0, -1) & M(0, 0) & M(0, +1) \\ M(+1, -1) & M(+1, 0) & M(+1, +1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 2.** 1) If  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) = \{0\}$  and  $\mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \{-1, +1\}$ , then

$$q_{0,0} = (1/2)(q_{0,-1} + q_{0,+1}).$$

2) If  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) = \mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \{-1, +1\}$ , then

$$q_{\tau',0} = c_{\tau'}^{-1} \sum_{\tau=\pm 1} \hat{\Pi}^{\pm\infty}(\tau', \tau) q_{\tau', \tau} \quad (\tau' = \pm 1),$$

$$q_{0,0} = c_0^{-1} \sum_{\tau', \tau=\pm 1} \hat{\Pi}^{\pm\infty}(\tau', \tau) q_{\tau', \tau},$$

where  $c_{\tau'}$  and  $c_0$  are normalizing constants, i. e.,

$$c_{\tau'} = \sum_{\tau=\pm 1} \hat{\Pi}^{\pm\infty}(\tau', \tau),$$

$$c_0 = \sum_{\tau', \tau=\pm 1} \hat{\Pi}^{\pm\infty}(\tau', \tau).$$

**Theorem 3.** 1) Assume that  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h)$  or  $\mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h)$  is equal to  $\{0\}$ . Then, any  $\mu \in \mathcal{Q}(h)$  is a Markov chain.

2) Assume that  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) = \mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \{-1, +1\}$ . Then, a measure

$$\mu = \sum_{\tau', \tau=\pm 1} \lambda_{\tau', \tau} q_{\tau', \tau} \quad (\sum \lambda_{\tau', \tau} = 1, \lambda_{\tau', \tau} \geq 0)$$

is a Markov chain, if and only if

$$\det(\lambda_{\tau', \tau} / \hat{\Pi}^{\pm\infty}(\tau', \tau))_{\tau', \tau=\pm 1} = 0.$$

We remark that the interaction  $J$  is spatially homogeneous. Spatially homo-

geneous interactions with *finite* values exhibit no phase transition. We show more generally that “slowly varying” interactions exhibit no phase transition in one-dimensional higher spin systems. Let us consider the following formal Hamiltonian :

$$H(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) - \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k(\sigma_k),$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$  and  $J_k$  and  $h_k$  are real valued functions defined on  $\{1, 2, \dots, N\}^2$  and on  $\{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ , respectively. Put

$$\delta(J_k) = \min \left\{ \max_{\sigma', \sigma''} |J_k(\sigma', \sigma) - J_k(\sigma'', \sigma)|, \max_{\sigma', \sigma''} |J_k(\sigma, \sigma') - J_k(\sigma, \sigma'')| \right\}.$$

We have

**Theorem 4.** *If  $\sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\delta(J_k)} = \sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\delta(J_k)} = +\infty$ , then the Gibbs distributions with the potentials  $J = (J_k)$  and  $h = (h_k)$  are unique for any  $h = (h_k)$ .*

Let us prove these Theorems. For  $n \leq m$  and  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma_n, \sigma_{n+1}, \dots, \sigma_m) \in \{-1, 0, +1\}^{[n, m]}$ , put

$$\begin{aligned} H^{[n, m]}(\boldsymbol{\sigma} | \sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}) &= \sum_{k=n-1}^m J(\sigma_k \sigma_{k+1}) - \sum_{k=n}^m h_k \sigma_k^2, \\ q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) &= \Xi^{[n, m]}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1})^{-1} \exp \{-H^{[n, m]}(\boldsymbol{\sigma} | \sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1})\}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Xi^{[n, m]}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}) = \sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \exp \{-H^{[n, m]}(\boldsymbol{\sigma} | \sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1})\}.$$

The probability measure  $q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}$  on  $\{-1, 0, +1\}^{[n, m]}$  is called *conditional Gibbs distribution*. In order to compute  $q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}$ , let us introduce the following  $3 \times 3$ -matrices :

$$\begin{aligned} K &= (e^{-J(\sigma' \sigma)}) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ Q_k &= (e^{-J(\sigma' \sigma) + h_k \sigma'^2}) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{h_k} & e^{h_k} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & e^{h_k} & e^{h_k} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \hat{Q}_k &= e^{-h_k} Q_k \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ e^{-h_k} & e^{-h_k} & e^{-h_k} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we introduce

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_c^d &= \begin{cases} Q_c Q_{c+1} \cdots Q_d, & \text{if } d \geq c, \\ E & \text{if } d = c-1, \end{cases} \\ \hat{\Pi}_c^d &= \begin{cases} \hat{Q}_c \hat{Q}_{c+1} \cdots \hat{Q}_d, & \text{if } d \geq c, \\ E & \text{if } d = c-1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

For  $n < l \leq r < m$  and  $(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) \in \{-1, 0, +1\}^{[l, r]}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) \\ &= K \Pi_n^{l-1}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} Q_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \Pi_r^m(\sigma_r, \sigma_{m+1}) / K \Pi_n^m(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}) \\ &= K \hat{\Pi}_n^{l-1}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{\Pi}_r^m(\sigma_r, \sigma_{m+1}) / K \hat{\Pi}_n^{l-1} \hat{\Pi}_l^{r-1} \hat{\Pi}_r^m(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}). \end{aligned}$$

For  $\sigma = 0, \pm 1$ , let  $\mathbf{p}_r^m(\sigma)$  be the  $\sigma$ -th column of  $\hat{\Pi}_r^m$ . From  $\hat{\Pi}_r^m = \hat{\Pi}_r^{m-1} \hat{Q}_m$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_r^m(-1) &= \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(-1) + e^{-h_m} \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(0), \\ \mathbf{p}_r^m(0) &= \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(-1) + e^{-h_m} \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(0) + \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(+1), \\ \mathbf{p}_r^m(+1) &= e^{-h_m} \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(0) + \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(+1). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbf{p}_r^m(\pm 1) = \mathbf{p}_r^r(\pm 1) + \mathbf{s}_r^m,$$

where  $\mathbf{s}_r^m = \sum_{k=r+1}^m e^{-h_k} \mathbf{p}_r^{k-1}(0)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_r^m(0) &= \mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) + \mathbf{s}_r^m + \mathbf{s}_r^{m-1} \\ &= \mathbf{p}_r^m(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(+1) \\ &= \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^m(+1). \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.** *The sequence of vectors  $\mathbf{s}_r^m$  converges as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ , if and only if  $\sum_{k=r+1}^{+\infty} e^{-h_k} < +\infty$ .*

*Proof.* 1) Assume  $\sum_{k=r+1}^{+\infty} e^{-h_k} = +\infty$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_r^k(0) &= \mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) + \mathbf{s}_r^k + \mathbf{s}_r^{k-1} \\ &\geq \mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2e^{-h_r} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\mathbf{s}_r^m = \sum_{k=r+1}^m e^{-h_k} \mathbf{p}_r^{k-1}(0) \geq \sum_{k=r+1}^m e^{-h_k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2e^{-h_r} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Each component of the right-hand side diverges to  $+\infty$  as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ .

2) Assume  $\sum_{k=r}^{+\infty} e^{-h_k} < +\infty$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_r^k(0) &= \mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) + \mathbf{s}_r^k + \mathbf{s}_r^{k-1} \\ &\leq \mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) + 2\mathbf{s}_r^k \\ &\leq 2\mathbf{p}_r^r(0) + 2\mathbf{s}_r^k \\ &\leq 2(e^{h_{r+1}} + 1)\mathbf{s}_r^k. \end{aligned}$$

Since the left-hand side is equal to  $e^{h_{k+1}}(\mathbf{s}_r^{k+1} - \mathbf{s}_r^k)$ , we have

$$\mathbf{s}_r^{k+1} \leq \{1 + 2(e^{h_{r+1}} + 1)e^{-h_{k+1}}\} \mathbf{s}_r^k.$$

Since  $\prod_{k=r}^{+\infty} \{1 + 2(e^{h_{r+1}} + 1)e^{-h_{k+1}}\}$  is convergent by our assumption,  $\mathbf{s}_r^m$  converges as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ . Q. E. D.

**Lemma 2.** 1) Assume  $\sum_{k=r}^{+\infty} e^{-h_k} < +\infty$ . The sequence of matrices  $\hat{\Pi}_r^m$  converges as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ . Put  $\hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty} = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \hat{\Pi}_r^m$ . It holds that

$$\hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma, 0) = \hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma, -1) + \hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma, +1).$$

The sequence of matrices  $\hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}$  converges as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$  to

$$K_0 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2) Assume  $\sum_{k=r}^{+\infty} e^{-h_k} < +\infty$ . The sequence of matrices  $\hat{\Pi}_n^{l-1}$  converges as  $n \rightarrow -\infty$ . Put  $\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} \hat{\Pi}_n^{l-1}$ . It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} K \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \tau) &= \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \tau) \quad \text{if } \tau' = \pm 1, \\ K \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(0, \tau) &= \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(-1, \tau) + \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(+1, \tau). \end{aligned}$$

The sequence of matrices  $\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}$  converges as  $l \rightarrow -\infty$  to  $K_0$ .

*Proof.* 1) The first convergence is evident by Lemma 1. The equality  $\hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma, 0) = \hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma, -1) + \hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma, +1)$  follows from  $\mathbf{p}_r^m(0) = \mathbf{p}_r^m(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(+1)$ .

Let us prove the second convergence. Remark that  $\hat{\Pi}_r^m$  is non-decreasing in  $m$ , because  $\mathbf{p}_r^m(\pm 1) = \mathbf{p}_r^r(\pm 1) + \mathbf{s}_r^m$  and  $\mathbf{p}_r^m(0) = \mathbf{p}_r^m(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^{m-1}(+1)$  are so. For  $r' < m < r$ , we have

$$\hat{\Pi}_{r'}^{+\infty} = \hat{\Pi}_{r'}^{r-1} \hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty} \geq \hat{\Pi}_{r'}^m \hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{s}_r^m$  is a sum of positive vectors,  $\mathbf{p}_r^m(\sigma)$ 's are positive, i. e.,  $\hat{\Pi}_r^m$  is a positive matrix. Therefore,  $\hat{\Pi}_r^{+\infty}$  is bounded as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ , which implies that  $\mathbf{s}_r^{+\infty}$  is bounded as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ . Consequently,  $\mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(0) = \mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) + 2\mathbf{s}_r^{+\infty}$  is bounded as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ . Therefore,

$$\mathbf{s}_r^{+\infty} = \sum_{k=r+1}^{+\infty} e^{-hk} \mathbf{p}_r^{k-1}(0) \leq \sum_{k=r+1}^{+\infty} e^{-hk} \mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(0)$$

converges to  $\mathbf{0}$  as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ . Thus, we have

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(-1) = \lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \{\mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) + \mathbf{s}_r^{+\infty}\} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(+1) = \lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \{\mathbf{p}_r^r(+1) + \mathbf{s}_r^{+\infty}\} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(0) = \lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \{\mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(-1) + \mathbf{p}_r^{+\infty}(+1)\} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2) Put  $H_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & e^{-hk} & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Since  $\hat{Q}_k = H_k K$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} K^{-1} {}^t(K \hat{\Pi}_n^{l-1}) &= K^{-1} {}^t(K H_n K \cdots H_{l-2} K H_{l-1} K) \\ &= H_{l-1} K H_{l-2} K \cdots H_n K = \hat{Q}_{l-1} \hat{Q}_{l-2} \cdots \hat{Q}_n. \end{aligned}$$

By the same argument as in 1), we can see that  $\hat{Q}_{l-1} \hat{Q}_{l-2} \cdots \hat{Q}_n$  converges as  $n \rightarrow -\infty$  and that

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow -\infty} (\hat{Q}_{l-1} \hat{Q}_{l-2} \cdots) = K_0.$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow -\infty} \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1} = K^{-1} {}^t(K K_0) = K_0 \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

*Proof of Theorem 1.* 1) If  $\sum e^{-hk} = +\infty$ ,  $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}$  exists and is independent of the choice of  $\sigma_{m+1}$ .

In fact, we can see by the FKG inequality [1] that  $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \pm 1} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau}^{[n, m]}$  exists for  $\tau = \pm 1$ . We have only to show that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, -1}^{[n, m]} = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, +1}^{[n, m]}.$$

Let  $\| \cdot \|$  be the Euclidean norm. Since  $\mathbf{p}_r^m(\pm 1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^m\| = \mathbf{p}_r^r(\pm 1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^m\| + \mathbf{s}_r^m / \|\mathbf{s}_r^m\|$  is bounded as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ , we can extract a subsequence  $m_j \rightarrow +\infty$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_r^{m_j}(\pm 1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{m_j}\|$  converges. On the other hand, by Lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{p}_r^{m_j}(-1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{m_j}\| - \mathbf{p}_r^{m_j}(+1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{m_j}\| \\ &= \{\mathbf{p}_r^r(-1) - \mathbf{p}_r^r(+1)\} / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{m_j}\| \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } m_j \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{p}_r^{m_j}(-1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{m_j}\| = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbf{p}_r^{m_j}(+1) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{m_j}\|$ , which we denote by  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}_r =$

$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{p}_r(-1) \\ \hat{p}_r(0) \\ \hat{p}_r(+1) \end{pmatrix}$ . Therefore, we have for  $\tau = \pm 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau}^{[n, m]}(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) \\
 &= \lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{K \hat{H}_n^{l-1}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{\tau-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{H}_r^{mj}(\sigma_r, \tau) / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{mj}\|}{K \hat{H}_n^{l-1} \hat{H}_l^{-1}(\hat{H}_r^{mj} / \|\mathbf{s}_r^{mj}\|)(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau)} \\
 &= K \hat{H}_n^{l-1}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{\tau-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{p}_r(\sigma_r) / K \hat{H}_n^{l-1} \hat{H}_l^{-1} \hat{p}_r(\sigma_{n-1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

The right-hand side is independent of  $\tau$ .

2) In case  $\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} e^{-hk} < +\infty$ ,  $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_1}^{[n, m]} = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_2}^{[n, m]}$  if and only if  $\tau_1 = \tau_2$ .

In fact, we have by Lemma 2,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau}^{[n, m]}(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) \\
 &= K \hat{H}_n^{l-1}(\sigma_{n-1}, \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{\tau-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) / K \hat{H}_n^{+\infty}(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau).
 \end{aligned}$$

Assume  $\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_2}^{[n, m]} = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} q_{\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_1}^{[n, m]}$ , from which it follows that

$$\hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau_1) / K \hat{H}_n^{+\infty}(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_1) = \hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_2) / K \hat{H}_n^{+\infty}(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_2),$$

i. e.,

$$\hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau_1) / \hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau_2) = K \hat{H}_n^{+\infty}(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_1) / K \hat{H}_n^{+\infty}(\sigma_{n-1}, \tau_2).$$

The right-hand side does not depend on  $\sigma_r$ , which implies that  $\hat{p}_r^{+\infty}(\tau_1)$  and  $\hat{p}_r^{+\infty}(\tau_2)$  are proportional to each other. But, it is easy to see that they are linearly independent if  $\tau_1 \neq \tau_2$ .

3) In case  $\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} e^{-hk} < +\infty$ ,  $q_{\tau', 0}$  is not extremal.

In fact, we have

$$q_{\tau', 0}(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) = K \hat{H}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{\tau'-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, 0) / K \hat{H}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', 0)$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & q_{\tau', 0}(\sigma_k = 0, k = l, l+1, \dots) \\
 &= \lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} K \hat{H}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', 0) \prod_{k=1}^{\tau'-1} e^{-hk} \hat{H}_r^{+\infty}(0, 0) / K \hat{H}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', 0) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$q_{\tau', 0}(\sigma_k = 0 \text{ for all but finitely many } k \geq 0) = 0,$$

which implies that  $q_{\tau', 0}$  is not extremal (Theorem 1 in [2]).

Q. E. D.

*Proof of Theorem 2.* 1) Assume  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) = \{0\}$  and  $\mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \{-1, +1\}$ . We have  $q_{0, 0} = (1/2)(q_{0, -1} + q_{0, +1})$ , since  $q_{0, 0}$  is invariant under a transformation  $\sigma_k \rightarrow -\sigma_k$ .

2) Assume  $\mathcal{M}_{-\infty}(h) = \mathcal{M}_{+\infty}(h) = \{-1, +1\}$ . In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} q_{\tau', \tau}(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) \\ = K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) / K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau). \end{aligned}$$

From  $q_{0,0} = \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \lambda_{\tau', \tau} q_{\tau', \tau}$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(0, \sigma_l) \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, 0) / K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(0, 0) \\ = \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \lambda_{\tau', \tau} K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l) \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) / K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau) \\ = \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \lambda_{\tau', \tau} \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l) \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) / \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $\sigma_l = \tau'$ ,  $\sigma_r = \tau$  and letting  $l \rightarrow -\infty$  and  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ , we have by Lemma 2,

$$1 / K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(0, 0) = \lambda_{\tau', \tau} / \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau),$$

i. e.,  $\lambda_{\tau', \tau} = \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau) / K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(0, 0)$ .

We can see by the same argument that

$$q_{\tau', 0} = \sum_{\tau = \pm 1} \{\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau) / K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', 0)\} q_{\tau', \tau}. \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

*Proof of Theorem 3.* Let  $\mu = \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \lambda_{\tau', \tau} q_{\tau', \tau}$ . Put  $\hat{\lambda}_{\tau', \tau} = \lambda_{\tau', \tau} / \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_r) \\ = \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \lambda_{\tau', \tau} K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l) \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) / \hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{+\infty}(\tau', \tau) \\ = \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) \hat{\lambda}_{\tau', \tau} K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l) \\ = \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) L(\sigma_r, \sigma_l), \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(\sigma_r, \sigma_l) = \sum_{\tau', \tau = \pm 1} \hat{\Pi}_{\tau}^{+\infty}(\sigma_r, \tau) \hat{\lambda}_{\tau', \tau} K\hat{\Pi}_{-\infty}^{l-1}(\tau', \sigma_l)$ . Since

$$\mu(\sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_{r-1}) = \prod_{k=l}^{r-2} \hat{Q}_k(\sigma_k, \sigma_{k+1}) \hat{Q}_{r-1} L(\sigma_{r-1}, \sigma_l),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\sigma_r | \sigma_l, \sigma_{l+1}, \dots, \sigma_{r-1}) &= \hat{Q}_{r-1}(\sigma_{r-1}, \sigma_r) L(\sigma_r, \sigma_l) / \hat{Q}_{r-1} L(\sigma_r, \sigma_l) \\ &= \mu(\sigma_r | \sigma_l, \sigma_{r-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, for  $\sigma', \sigma = 0, \pm 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\sigma_r | \sigma_l = \sigma, \sigma_{r-1}) - \mu(\sigma_r | \sigma_l = \sigma', \sigma_{r-1}) \\ = \{\hat{Q}_{r-1} L(\sigma_{r-1}, \sigma) \hat{Q}_{r-1} L(\sigma_{r-1}, \sigma')\}^{-1} \hat{Q}_{r-1}(\sigma_{r-1}, \sigma_r) \\ \times \sum_{\eta = 0, \pm 1} \hat{Q}_{r-1}(\sigma_{r-1}, \eta) \det \begin{pmatrix} L(\sigma_r, \sigma) & L(\sigma_r, \sigma') \\ L(\eta, \sigma) & L(\eta, \sigma') \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\sigma_r=0$ . If the right-hand side vanishes, then

$$\sum_{\eta=0, \pm 1} \hat{Q}_{r-1}(\sigma_{r-1}, \eta) \det \begin{pmatrix} L(0, \sigma) & L(0, \sigma') \\ L(\eta, \sigma) & L(\eta, \sigma') \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{for all } \sigma_{r-1}.$$

Since  $\det \hat{Q}_{r-1} \neq 0$ , the above is equivalent to

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} L(0, \sigma) & L(0, \sigma') \\ L(\eta, \sigma) & L(\eta, \sigma') \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{for all } \eta.$$

Let  $\sigma_{r-1}=0$  and  $\sigma_r=-1$ . If the right-hand side vanishes, then

$$\sum_{\eta=0, \pm 1} \hat{Q}_{r-1}(0, \eta) \det \begin{pmatrix} L(-1, \sigma) & L(-1, \sigma') \\ L(\eta, \sigma) & L(\eta, \sigma') \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

The minor determinant in the left-hand side with  $\eta=0$  vanishes by the above argument. That with  $\eta=-1$  also vanishes evidently. Therefore, we have

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} L(-1, \sigma) & L(-1, \sigma') \\ L(+1, \sigma) & L(+1, \sigma') \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Summing up all these, we see that for all  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$

$$\mu(\sigma_r | \sigma_l = \sigma, \sigma_{r-1}) = \mu(\sigma_r | \sigma_l = \sigma', \sigma_{r-1}),$$

if and only if all minor determinants of  $L$  with degree 2 vanish, i. e.,  $\text{rank } L=1$ . It is easy to deduce from  $\text{rank } L=1$  that  $\text{rank}(\hat{\lambda}_{r', r})=1$ , i. e.,  $\det(\hat{\lambda}_{r', r})=0$ .

Q. E. D.

To prove Theorem 4, we introduce notations concerning positive matrices. For a positive matrix  $A$ , let  $\theta_{ij}(A)$  be the angle between the  $i$ -th and  $j$ -th columns of  $A$ . Put

$$\Theta(A) = \max_{i, j} \theta_{ij}(A).$$

For a positive matrix  $B=(b_{ij})$ , put

$$\rho(B) = \min_{i, j, k, l} \sqrt{b_{ki}b_{lj}/(b_{kj}b_{li})}.$$

The following is a key lemma to the proof of Theorem 4.

**Lemma 3.** For positive  $N \times N$ -matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , it holds that

$$\tan \Theta(AB) \leq \{1 - (N-1)^{-1} \rho(B)\} \tan \Theta(A).$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{a}_i$  and  $\mathbf{c}_i$  be the  $i$ -th columns of  $A$  and  $AB$ , respectively. We have

$$\mathbf{c}_i = \sum_k b_{ki} \mathbf{a}_k,$$

where  $B=(b_{ij})$ . Let  $\| \cdot \|$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be the Euclidean norm and the inner product, respectively. It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\mathbf{c}_i\|^2\|\mathbf{c}_j\|^2 - \langle \mathbf{c}_i, \mathbf{c}_j \rangle^2 \\
&= \sum_{\substack{k < l \\ p < q}} (b_{ki}b_{lj} - b_{kj}b_{li})(b_{pi}b_{qj} - b_{pj}b_{qi})(\langle \mathbf{a}_k, \mathbf{a}_p \rangle \langle \mathbf{a}_l, \mathbf{a}_q \rangle - \langle \mathbf{a}_k, \mathbf{a}_q \rangle \langle \mathbf{a}_l, \mathbf{a}_p \rangle) \\
&\leq \sin^2 \Theta(A) \sum_{\substack{k < l \\ p < q}} |b_{ki}b_{lj} - b_{kj}b_{li}| |b_{pi}b_{qj} - b_{pj}b_{qi}| \|\mathbf{a}_k\| \|\mathbf{a}_l\| \|\mathbf{a}_p\| \|\mathbf{a}_q\| \\
&= \sin^2 \Theta(A) \left( \sum_{k < l} |b_{ki}b_{lj} - b_{kj}b_{li}| \|\mathbf{a}_k\| \|\mathbf{a}_l\| \right)^2, \\
\langle \mathbf{c}_i, \mathbf{c}_j \rangle &= (N-1)^{-1} \sum_{k < l} \|\sqrt{b_{ki}b_{kj}} \mathbf{a}_k - \sqrt{b_{li}b_{lj}} \mathbf{a}_l\|^2 \\
&\quad + \sum_{k < l} (b_{ki}b_{lj} + b_{kj}b_{li} + 2(N-1)^{-1} \sqrt{b_{ki}b_{kj}b_{li}b_{lj}}) \langle \mathbf{a}_k, \mathbf{a}_l \rangle \\
&\geq \cos \Theta(A) \sum_{k < l} (b_{ki}b_{lj} + b_{kj}b_{li} + 2(N-1)^{-1} \sqrt{b_{ki}b_{kj}b_{li}b_{lj}}) \|\mathbf{a}_k\| \|\mathbf{a}_l\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
\tan \theta_{ij}(AB) &= \sqrt{\|\mathbf{c}_i\|^2\|\mathbf{c}_j\|^2 - \langle \mathbf{c}_i, \mathbf{c}_j \rangle^2} / \langle \mathbf{c}_i, \mathbf{c}_j \rangle \\
&\leq \tan \Theta(A) \frac{\sum_{k < l} |b_{ki}b_{lj} - b_{kj}b_{li}| \|\mathbf{a}_k\| \|\mathbf{a}_l\|}{\sum_{k < l} (b_{ki}b_{lj} + b_{kj}b_{li} + 2(N-1)^{-1} \sqrt{b_{ki}b_{kj}b_{li}b_{lj}}) \|\mathbf{a}_k\| \|\mathbf{a}_l\|}.
\end{aligned}$$

From an inequality for  $x > 0$

$$(x^2 - 1) / \{x^2 + 2(N-1)^{-1}x + 1\} \leq 1 - (N-1)^{-1} \min(x, x^{-1}),$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
& |b_{ki}b_{lj} - b_{kj}b_{li}| / \{b_{ki}b_{lj} + b_{kj}b_{li} + 2(N-1)^{-1} \sqrt{b_{ki}b_{kj}b_{li}b_{lj}}\} \\
&\leq 1 - (N-1)^{-1} \min\{\sqrt{b_{ki}b_{lj}} / (b_{kj}b_{li}), \sqrt{b_{kj}b_{li}} / (b_{ki}b_{lj})\} \\
&\leq 1 - (N-1)^{-1} \rho(B).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have for any  $i$  and  $j$ ,

$$\tan \theta_{ij}(AB) \leq \{1 - (N-1)^{-1} \rho(B)\} \tan \Theta(A). \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

For a positive matrix  $A$ , let  $\tilde{A}$  be a matrix with the normalized columns of  $A$ , i.e., the  $i$ -th column of  $\tilde{A}$  is equal to  $\mathbf{a}_i / \|\mathbf{a}_i\|$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_i$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $A$ . Let  $\tilde{A}^*$  be a matrix with the normalized rows of  $A$ . Let  $\{Q_k\}_{-\infty < k < +\infty}$  be a sequence of positive matrices. Put as before

$$\Pi_c^d = Q_c Q_{c+1} \cdots Q_d.$$

**Lemma 4.** *If  $\sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho(Q_k) = +\infty$ , then  $\tilde{\Pi}_1^m(i, j)$  converges as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$  to a limit which is independent of  $j$ . If  $\sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho(Q_k) = +\infty$ , then  $\tilde{\Pi}_n^{*m}(i, j)$  converges as  $n \rightarrow -\infty$  to a limit which is independent of  $i$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $C^m$  be the convex cone spanned by the columns of  $\Pi_1^m$ , i.e.,

$$C^m = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \mathbf{p}_i^m; x_i \geq 0 \right\},$$

where  $\mathbf{p}_i^m$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $\Pi_1^m$ . From  $\Pi_1^{m+1} = \Pi_1^m Q_m$ , it follows that  $C^m \supset C^{m+1}$ . We have only to show that  $\bigcap_{m=1}^{+\infty} C^m$  is degenerated to a half line. But, this fact is clear from

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \tan \Theta(\Pi_1^m) = 0,$$

which we can see by Lemma 3.

Q. E. D.

*Proof of Theorem 4.* Let us consider the following formal Hamiltonian

$$H(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_k, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{k+1}) - \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_k),$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$  and  $J_k$  and  $h_k$  are real valued functions. Put

$$Q_k = (e^{-J_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}) + h_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}')})_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\sigma} = 1, 2, \dots, N}.$$

For  $n < l \leq r < m$  and  $(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_l, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{l+1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_r) \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}^{[l, r]}$ , the conditional Gibbs distribution is expressed as follows

$$\begin{aligned} & q_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_l, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{l+1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_r) \\ &= \frac{\Pi_{n-1}^{l-1}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_l) \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} Q_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_k, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{k+1}) \Pi_r^m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_r, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1})}{\Pi_{n-1}^{l-1} \Pi_l^{r-1} \Pi_r^m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1})} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{\Pi}_{n-1}^{l-1*}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_l) \prod_{k=l}^{r-1} Q_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_k, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{k+1}) \tilde{\Pi}_r^m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_r, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1})}{\tilde{\Pi}_{n-1}^{l-1*} \Pi_l^{r-1} \tilde{\Pi}_r^m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1})}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(Q_k) &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}', \boldsymbol{\tau}} \sqrt{Q_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}) Q_k(\boldsymbol{\tau}', \boldsymbol{\tau}) / \{Q_k(\boldsymbol{\tau}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}) Q_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\tau})\}} \\ &= \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}', \boldsymbol{\tau}} \exp \frac{1}{2} \{-J_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}) - J_k(\boldsymbol{\tau}', \boldsymbol{\tau}) + J_k(\boldsymbol{\tau}', \boldsymbol{\sigma}) + J_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}', \boldsymbol{\tau})\} \\ &\geq e^{-\delta(J_k)}. \end{aligned}$$

From  $\sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\delta(J_k)} = \sum_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\delta(J_k)} = +\infty$ , it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} \tilde{\Pi}_{n-1}^{l-1*}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_l), \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \tilde{\Pi}_r^m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_r, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1}) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow -\infty \\ m \rightarrow +\infty}} \tilde{\Pi}_{n-1}^{l-1*} \Pi_l^{r-1} \tilde{\Pi}_r^m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1})$$

are independent of the choice of  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1}$  (Lemma 4). Therefore,

$$\lim_{\substack{n \rightarrow -\infty \\ m \rightarrow +\infty}} q_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1}}^{[n, m]}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_l, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{l+1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_r)$$

is independent of the boundary condition  $(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{n-1}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{m+1})$ , which implies the uniqueness of the Gibbs states.

Q. E. D.

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