

### [tex109] Fluctuations in a magnetic system

Consider a quantum magnet. The Hamiltonian is of the form  $H = H_{int} - hm$ , where  $H_{int}$  describes the (unspecified) interaction between microscopic magnetic moments,  $h$  is the magnitude of the external magnetic field (assumed constant) and  $m$  is the component of the total magnetic moment in the direction of the field. Given the Gibbs free energy  $G(T, h, N) = -k_B T \ln Z_N$  as derived from the canonical partition function  $Z_N = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta H}$ , where  $\beta = (k_B T)^{-1}$ , derive the following relations (a) between energy fluctuations and heat capacity at constant field,

$$\langle H^2 \rangle - \langle H \rangle^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta^2} \ln Z_N = k_B T^2 C_h,$$

and (b) between magnetisation fluctuations and isothermal susceptibility,

$$\langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle^2 = \beta^{-2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial h^2} \ln Z_N = k_B T \chi_T.$$

**Solution:**