# The Penguin Dictionary of Sociology and the graphical law

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## Abstract

We study the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology by Nicholas Abercrombie, Stephen Hill and Bryan S. Turner. We draw the natural logarithm of the number of entries, normalised, starting with a letter vs the natural logarithm of the rank of the letter, normalised. We conclude that the Dictionary can be characterised by  $BP(4,\beta H=0)$  i.e. a magnetisation curve for the Bethe-Peierls approximation of the Ising model with four nearest neighbours with  $\beta H = 0$ , in the absence of external magnetic field, H.  $\beta$  is  $\frac{1}{k_BT}$  where, T is temperature and  $k_B$  is the tiny Boltzmann constant. This is the case with the Oxford Dictionary of Sociology by J. Scott and G. Marshall, we have studied before.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Society is probably as important today as never before. To look for the graphical law into this domain, we take recourse to a dictionary, the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology by Nicholas Abercrombie, Stephen Hill and Bryan S. Turner, [1]. We study magnetic field pattern behind the entries of this dictionary, [1], in this article. We have started considering magnetic field pattern in [2], in the languages we converse with. We have studied there, a set of natural languages, [2] and have found existence of a magnetisation curve under each language. We have termed this phenomenon as graphical law.

Then, we moved on to investigate into, [3], dictionaries of five disciplines of knowledge and found existence of a curve magnetisation under each discipline. This was followed by finding of the graphical law behind the bengali language, [4] and the basque language [5]. This was pursued by finding of the graphical law behind the Romanian language, [6], five more disciplines of knowledge, [7], Onsager core of Abor-Miri, Mising languages, [8], Onsager Core of Romanised Bengali language, [9], the graphical law behind the Little Oxford English Dictionary, [10], the Oxford Dictionary of Social Work and Social Care, [11], the Visayan-English Dictionary, [12], Garo to English School Dictionary, [13], Mursi-English-Amharic Dictionary, [14] and Names of Minor Planets, [15], A Dictionary of Tibetan and English, [16], Khasi English Dictionary, [17], Turkmen-English Dictionary, [18], Websters Universal Spanish-English Dictionary, [19], A Dictionary of Modern Italian, [20], Langenscheidt's German-English Dictionary, [21], Essential Dutch dictionary by G. Quist and D. Strik, [22], Swahili-English dictionary by C. W. Rechenbach, [23], Larousse Dictionnaire De Poche for the French, [24], the Onsager's solution behind the Arabic, [25], the graphical law behind Langenscheidt Taschenwörterbuch Deutsch-Englisch / Englisch-Deutsch, Völlige Neubearbeitung, [26], the graphical law behind the NTC's Hebrew and English Dictionary by Arie Comey and Naomi Tsur, [27], the graphical law behind the Oxford Dictionary Of Media and Communication, [28], the graphical law behind the Oxford Dictionary Of Mathematics, Penguin Dictionary Of Mathematics, [29], the Onsager's solution behind the Arabic Second part, [30], respectively.

We describe how a graphical law is hidden within the Penguin Dictionary Of Sociology in this article. The planning of the paper is as follows. We give an introduction to the standard curves of magnetisation of Ising model in the section II. In the section III, we describe the analysis of the entries of the Penguin Dictionary Of Sociology, [1]. The section IV narrates the comparison with the Oxford Dictionary Of Sociology, [31], we have studied in [3]. The section V is Acknowledgment. The last section is Bibliography.

#### II. MAGNETISATION

### A. Bragg-Williams approximation

Let us consider a coin. Let us toss it many times. Probability of getting head or, tale is half i.e. we will get head and tale equal number of times. If we attach value one to head, minus one to tale, the average value we obtain, after many tossing is zero. Instead let us consider a one-sided loaded coin, say on the head side. The probability of getting head is more than one half, getting tale is less than one-half. Average value, in this case, after many tossing we obtain is non-zero, the precise number depends on the loading. The loaded coin is like ferromagnet, the unloaded coin is like para magnet, at zero external magnetic field. Average value we obtain is like magnetisation, loading is like coupling among the spins of the ferromagnetic units. Outcome of single coin toss is random, but average value we get after long sequence of tossing is fixed. This is long-range order. But if we take a small sequence of tossing, say, three consecutive tossing, the average value we obtain is not fixed, can be anything. There is no short-range order.

Let us consider a row of spins, one can imagine them as spears which can be vertically up or, down. Assume there is a long-range order with probability to get a spin up is two third. That would mean when we consider a long sequence of spins, two third of those are with spin up. Moreover, assign with each up spin a value one and a down spin a value minus one. Then total spin we obtain is one third. This value is referred to as the value of long-range order parameter. Now consider a short-range order existing which is identical with the long-range order. That would mean if we pick up any three consecutive spins, two will be up, one down. Bragg-Williams approximation means short-range order is identical with long-range order, applied to a lattice of spins, in general. Row of spins is a lattice of one dimension.

Now let us imagine an arbitrary lattice, with each up spin assigned a value one and a down spin a value minus one, with an unspecified long-range order parameter defined as above by

 $L=\frac{1}{N}\Sigma_i\sigma_i$ , where  $\sigma_i$  is i-th spin, N being total number of spins. L can vary from minus one to one.  $N=N_++N_-$ , where  $N_+$  is the number of up spins,  $N_-$  is the number of down spins.  $L=\frac{1}{N}(N_+-N_-)$ . As a result,  $N_+=\frac{N}{2}(1+L)$  and  $N_-=\frac{N}{2}(1-L)$ . Magnetisation or, net magnetic moment , M is  $\mu\Sigma_i\sigma_i$  or,  $\mu(N_+-N_-)$  or,  $\mu NL$ ,  $M_{max}=\mu N$ .  $\frac{M}{M_{max}}=L$ .  $\frac{M}{M_{max}}$  is referred to as reduced magnetisation. Moreover, the Ising Hamiltonian,[32], for the lattice of spins, setting  $\mu$  to one, is  $-\epsilon\Sigma_{n.n}\sigma_i\sigma_j-H\Sigma_i\sigma_i$ , where n.n refers to nearest neighbour pairs. The difference  $\Delta E$  of energy if we flip an up spin to down spin is, [33],  $2\epsilon\gamma\bar{\sigma}+2H$ , where  $\gamma$  is the number of nearest neighbours of a spin. According to Boltzmann principle,  $\frac{N_-}{N_+}$  equals  $\exp(-\frac{\Delta E}{k_B T})$ , [34]. In the Bragg-Williams approximation,[35],  $\bar{\sigma}=L$ , considered in the thermal average sense. Consequently,

$$ln\frac{1+L}{1-L} = 2\frac{\gamma\epsilon L + H}{k_B T} = 2\frac{L + \frac{H}{\gamma\epsilon}}{\frac{T}{\gamma\epsilon/k_B}} = 2\frac{L+c}{\frac{T}{T_c}}$$
(1)

where,  $c = \frac{H}{\gamma \epsilon}$ ,  $T_c = \gamma \epsilon/k_B$ , [36].  $\frac{T}{T_c}$  is referred to as reduced temperature.

Plot of L vs  $\frac{T}{T_c}$  or, reduced magentisation vs. reduced temperature is used as reference curve. In the presence of magnetic field,  $c \neq 0$ , the curve bulges outward. Bragg-Williams is a Mean Field approximation. This approximation holds when number of neighbours interacting with a site is very large, reducing the importance of local fluctuation or, local order, making the long-range order or, average degree of freedom as the only degree of freedom of the lattice. To have a feeling how this approximation leads to matching between experimental and Ising model prediction one can refer to FIG.12.12 of [33]. W. L. Bragg was a professor of Hans Bethe. Rudolf Peierls was a friend of Hans Bethe. At the suggestion of W. L. Bragg, Rudolf Peierls following Hans Bethe improved the approximation scheme, applying quasi-chemical method.

# B. Bethe-peierls approximation in presence of four nearest neighbours, in absence of external magnetic field

In the approximation scheme which is improvement over the Bragg-Williams, [32],[33],[34],[35],[36], due to Bethe-Peierls, [37], reduced magnetisation varies with reduced temperature, for  $\gamma$  neighbours, in absence of external magnetic field, as

$$\frac{\ln \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 2}}{\ln \frac{factor - 1}{\int factor} \frac{1}{\gamma} - factor} = \frac{T}{T_c}; factor = \frac{\frac{M}{M_{max}} + 1}{1 - \frac{M}{M_{max}}}.$$
 (2)

вw	BW(c=0.01)	$BP(4,\beta H=0)$	reduced magnetisation
О	О	О	1
0.435	0.439	0.563	0.978
0.439	0.443	0.568	0.977
0.491	0.495	0.624	0.961
0.501	0.507	0.630	0.957
0.514	0.519	0.648	0.952
0.559	0.566	0.654	0.931
0.566	0.573	0.7	0.927
0.584	0.590	0.7	0.917
0.601	0.607	0.722	0.907
0.607	0.613	0.729	0.903
0.653	0.661	0.770	0.869
0.659	0.668	0.773	0.865
0.669	0.676	0.784	0.856
0.679	0.688	0.792	0.847
0.701	0.710	0.807	0.828
0.723	0.731	0.828	0.805
0.732	0.743	0.832	0.796
0.756	0.766	0.845	0.772
0.779	0.788	0.864	0.740
0.838	0.853	0.911	0.651
0.850	0.861	0.911	0.628
0.870	0.885	0.923	0.592
0.883	0.895	0.928	0.564
0.899	0.918		0.527
0.904	0.926	0.941	0.513
0.946	0.968	0.965	0.400
0.967	0.998	0.965	0.300
0.987		1	0.200
0.997		1	0.100
1	1	1	О

TABLE I. Reduced magnetisation vs reduced temperature data s for Bragg-Williams approximation, in absence of and in presence of magnetic field,  $c=\frac{H}{\gamma\epsilon}=0.01$ , and Bethe-Peierls approximation in absence of magnetic field, for four nearest neighbours .

 $\ln \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-2}$  for four nearest neighbours i.e. for  $\gamma=4$  is 0.693. For a snapshot of different kind of magnetisation curves for magnetic materials the reader is urged to give a google search "reduced magnetisation vs reduced temperature curve". In the following, we describe data s generated from the equation(1) and the equation(2) in the table, I, and curves of magnetisation plotted on the basis of those data s. BW stands for reduced temperature in Bragg-Williams approximation, calculated from the equation(1). BP(4) represents reduced temperature in the Bethe-Peierls approximation, for four nearest neighbours, computed from the equation(2). The data set is used to plot fig.1. Empty spaces in the table, I, mean corresponding point pairs were not used for plotting a line.

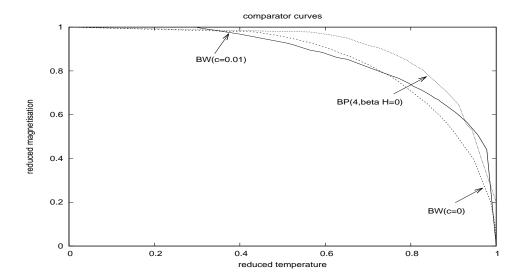


FIG. 1. Reduced magnetisation vs reduced temperature curves for Bragg-Williams approximation, in absence(dark) of and presence(inner in the top) of magnetic field,  $c = \frac{H}{\gamma \epsilon} = 0.01$ , and Bethe-Peierls approximation in absence of magnetic field, for four nearest neighbours (outer in the top).

# C. Bethe-peierls approximation in presence of four nearest neighbours, in presence of external magnetic field

In the Bethe-Peierls approximation scheme, [37], reduced magnetisation varies with reduced temperature, for  $\gamma$  neighbours, in presence of external magnetic field, as

$$\frac{ln\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-2}}{ln\frac{factor-1}{e^{\frac{2\beta H}{\gamma}}factor^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}-e^{-\frac{2\beta H}{\gamma}}factor^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}}} = \frac{T}{T_c}; factor = \frac{\frac{M}{M_{max}}+1}{1-\frac{M}{M_{max}}}.$$
(3)

Derivation of this formula Ala [37] is given in the appendix of [7].

 $ln\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-2}$  for four nearest neighbours i.e. for  $\gamma=4$  is 0.693. For four neighbours,

$$\frac{0.693}{\ln \frac{factor-1}{e^{\frac{2\beta H}{\gamma}} factor^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - e^{-\frac{2\beta H}{\gamma}} factor^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}}} = \frac{T}{T_c}; factor = \frac{\frac{M}{M_{max}} + 1}{1 - \frac{M}{M_{max}}}.$$
 (4)

In the following, we describe data s in the table, II, generated from the equation(4) and curves of magnetisation plotted on the basis of those data s. BP(m=0.03) stands for reduced temperature in Bethe-Peierls approximation, for four nearest neighbours, in presence of a variable external magnetic field, H, such that  $\beta H = 0.06$ . calculated from the equation(4). BP(m=0.025) stands for reduced temperature in Bethe-Peierls approximation, for four nearest neighbours, in presence of a variable external magnetic field, H, such that

BP(m=0.03)	BP(m=0.025)	BP(m=0.02)	BP(m=0.01)	BP(m=0.005)	reduced magnetisation
О	o	o	О	o	1
0.583	0.580	0.577	0.572	0.569	0.978
0.587	0.584	0.581	0.575	0.572	0.977
0.647	0.643	0.639	0.632	0.628	0.961
0.657	0.653	0.649	0.641	0.637	0.957
0.671	0.667		0.654	0.650	0.952
	0.716			0.696	0.931
0.723	0.718	0.713	0.702	0.697	0.927
0.743	0.737	0.731	0.720	0.714	0.917
0.762	0.756	0.749	0.737	0.731	0.907
0.770	0.764	0.757	0.745	0.738	0.903
0.816	0.808	0.800	0.785	0.778	0.869
0.821	0.813	0.805	0.789	0.782	0.865
0.832	0.823	0.815	0.799	0.791	0.856
0.841	0.833	0.824	0.807	0.799	0.847
0.863	0.853	0.844	0.826	0.817	0.828
0.887	0.876	0.866	0.846	0.836	0.805
0.895	0.884	0.873	0.852	0.842	0.796
0.916	0.904	0.892	0.869	0.858	0.772
0.940	0.926	0.914	0.888	0.876	0.740
	0.929			0.877	0.735
	0.936			0.883	0.730
	0.944			0.889	0.720
	0.945				0.710
	0.955			0.897	0.700
	0.963			0.903	0.690
	0.973			0.910	0.680
				0.909	0.670
	0.993			0.925	0.650
		0.976	0.942		0.651
	1.00				0.640
		0.983	0.946	0.928	0.628
		1.00	0.963	0.943	0.592
			0.972	0.951	0.564
			0.990	0.967	0.527
				0.964	0.513
			1.00		0.500
				1.00	0.400
					0.300
					0.200
					0.100
					О

TABLE II. Bethe-Peierls approx. in presence of little external magnetic fields

 $\beta H = 0.05$ . calculated from the equation(4). BP(m=0.02) stands for reduced temperature in Bethe-Peierls approximation, for four nearest neighbours, in presence of a variable external magnetic field, H, such that  $\beta H = 0.04$ . calculated from the equation(4). BP(m=0.01) stands for reduced temperature in Bethe-Peierls approximation, for four nearest neighbours, in presence of a variable external magnetic field, H, such that  $\beta H = 0.02$ . calculated from the equation(4). BP(m=0.005) stands for reduced temperature in Bethe-Peierls approximation, for four nearest neighbours, in presence of a variable external magnetic field, H, such that  $\beta H = 0.01$ . calculated from the equation(4). The data set is used to plot fig.2. Similarly, we plot fig.3. Empty spaces in the table, II, mean corresponding point pairs were not used for plotting a line.

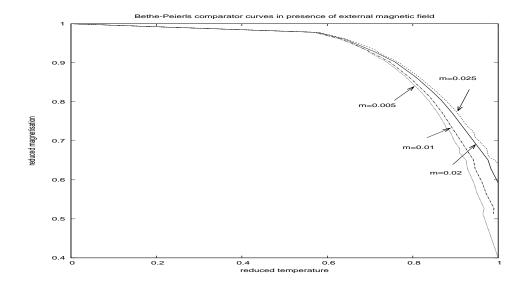


FIG. 2. Reduced magnetisation vs reduced temperature curves for Bethe-Peierls approximation in presence of little external magnetic fields, for four nearest neighbours, with  $\beta H = 2m$ .

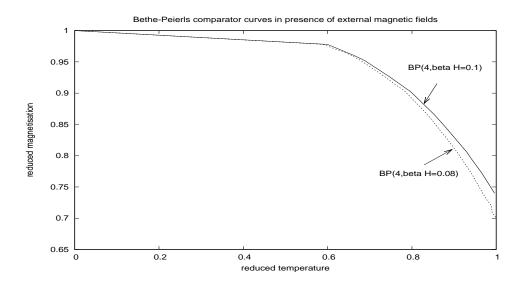


FIG. 3. Reduced magnetisation vs reduced temperature curves for Bethe-Peierls approximation in presence of little external magnetic fields, for four nearest neighbours, with  $\beta H = 2m$ .

# III. ANALYSIS OF THE ENTRIES OF THE PENGUIN DICTIONARY OF SO-CIOLOGY

We count all the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, [1], one by one from the beginning to the end, starting with different letters. The result is the table, III. Highest number of entries, one hundred forty seven, starts with the letter C followed by entries

A	В	$\mathbf{C}$	D	$\mathbf{E}$	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{G}$	н	1	J	к	L	$\mathbf{M}$	N	0	Р	Q	$\mathbf{R}$	$\mathbf{S}$	$\mathbf{T}$	U	$\mathbf{V}$	w	$\mathbf{x}$	Y	$\mathbf{z}$
69	39	147	65	59	41	37	34	61	6	3	41	89	47	24	85	2	49	144	35	22	16	23	О	1	3

TABLE III. Entries of the Penguin Dictionary Of Sociology along the English letters

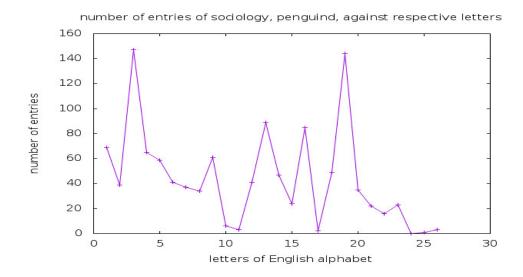


FIG. 4. The vertical axis is the number of entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, [1], and the horizontal axis is the respective letters. Letters are represented by the sequence number in the alphabet or, dictionary sequence, [1].

numbering one hundred forty four beginning with S, eighty nine with the letter M etc. To visualise we plot the number of entries against respective letters in the dictionary sequence, [1], in the figure fig.11.

For the purpose of exploring graphical law, we assort the letters according to the number of entries, in the descending order, denoted by f and the respective rank, denoted by k. k is a positive integer starting from one. The lowest value of f is one. The corresponding rank, f is twenty three. As a result both f is one. The corresponding rank, f is twenty three. As a result both f in f in f in f in f in the figure one. Then we tabulate in the adjoining table, IV and plot f in f in the figure fig.5. We then ignore the letter with the highest of entries, tabulate in the adjoining table, IV and redo the plot, normalising the f in f in

k	lnk	$\ln k/lnk_{lim}$	f	lnf	$lnf/lnf_{max}$	$\ln f/ln f_{n-max}$	$\ln f/\ln f_{2n-max}$	$\ln f/\ln f_{3n-max}$	$\ln f/ln f_{4n-max}$
1	0	0		4.990		Blank	Blank	Blank	Blank
2	0.69	0.220	144	4.970	0.996	1	Blank	Blank	Blank
3	1.10	0.350	89	4.489	0.900	0.903	1	Blank	Blank
4	1.39	0.443	85	4.443	0.890	0.894	0.990	1	Blank
5	1.61	0.513	69	4.234	0.848	0.852	0.943	0.953	1
6	1.79	0.570	65	4.174	0.836	0.840	0.930	0.939	0.986
7	1.95	0.621	61	4.111	0.824	0.827	0.916	0.925	0.971
8	2.08	0.662	59	4.078	0.817	0.821	0.908	0.918	0.963
9	2.20	0.701	49	3.892	0.780	0.783	0.867	0.876	0.919
10	2.30	0.732	47	3.850	0.772	0.775	0.858	0.867	0.909
11	2.40	0.764	41	3.714	0.744	0.747	0.827	0.836	0.877
12	2.48	0.790	39	3.664	0.734	0.737	0.816	0.825	0.865
13	2.56	0.815	37	3.611	0.724	0.727	0.804	0.813	0.853
14	2.64	0.841	35	3.555	0.712	0.715	0.792	0.800	0.840
15	2.71	0.863	34	3.526	0.707	0.709	0.785	0.794	0.833
16	2.77	0.882	24	3.178	0.637	0.639	0.708	0.715	0.751
17	2.83	0.901	23	3.135	0.628	0.631	0.698	0.706	0.740
18	2.89	0.920	22	3.091	0.619	0.622	0.689	0.696	0.730
19	2.94	0.936	16	2.773	0.556	0.558	0.618	0.624	0.655
20	3.00	0.955	6	1.792	0.359	0.361	0.399	0.403	0.423
21	3.04	0.968	3	1.099	0.220	0.221	0.245	0.247	0.260
22	3.09	0.984	2	0.693	0.139	0.139	0.154	0.156	0.164
23	3.14	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE IV. Entries of the Penguin Dictionary Of Sociology: ranking, natural logarithm, normalisations

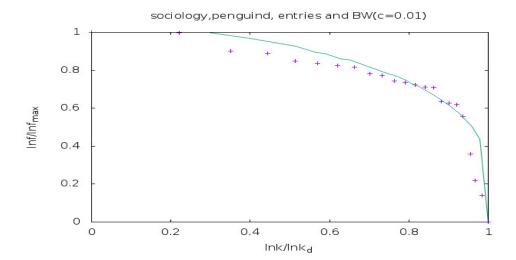


FIG. 5. The vertical axis is  $\frac{lnf}{lnf_{max}}$  and the horizontal axis is  $\frac{lnk}{lnk_{lim}}$ . The + points represent the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, with the fit curve being the Bragg-Williams line, BW(c=0.01), in the presence of little external magnetic field.

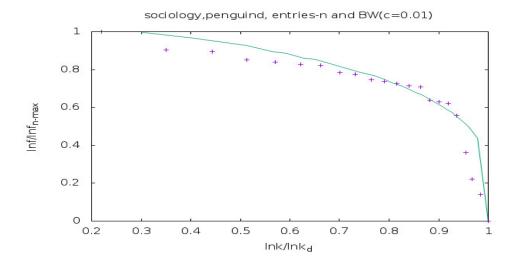


FIG. 6. The vertical axis is  $\frac{lnf}{lnf_{next-max}}$  and the horizontal axis is  $\frac{lnk}{lnk_{lim}}$ . The + points represent the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, with the fit curve being the Bragg-Williams line, BW(c=0.01), in the presence of little external magnetic field.

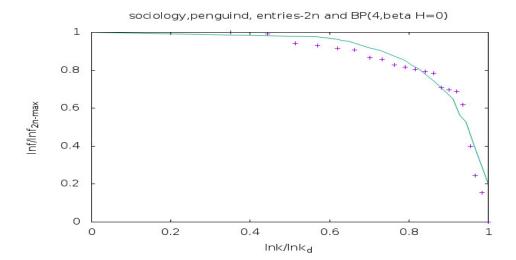


FIG. 7. The vertical axis is  $\frac{lnf}{lnf_{nextnext-max}}$  and the horizontal axis is  $\frac{lnk}{lnk_{lim}}$ . The + points represent the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, with the fit curve being the Bethe-Peierls curve, BP(4,  $\beta H = 0$ ), with four nearest neighbours, in the absence of external magnetic field.

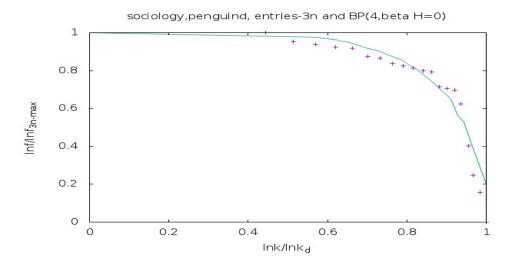


FIG. 8. The vertical axis is  $\frac{lnf}{lnf_{nextnextnext-max}}$  and the horizontal axis is  $\frac{lnk}{lnk_{lim}}$ . The + points represent the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, with the fit curve being the Bethe-Peierls curve, BP(4,  $\beta H = 0$ ), with four nearest neighbours, in the absence of external magnetic field.

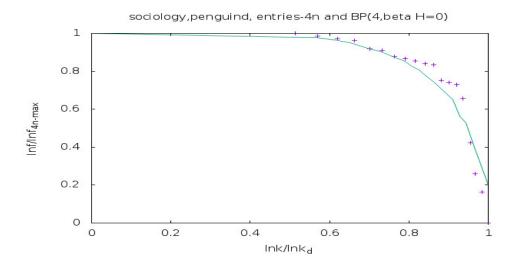


FIG. 9. The vertical axis is  $\frac{lnf}{lnf_{nextnextnext-max}}$  and the horizontal axis is  $\frac{lnk}{lnk_{lim}}$ . The + points represent the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, with the fit curve being the Bethe-Peierls curve, BP(4,  $\beta H = 0$ ), with four nearest neighbours, in the absence of external magnetic field.

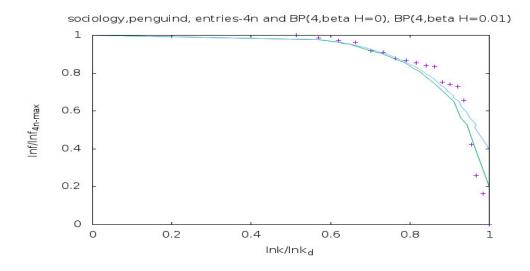


FIG. 10. The vertical axis is  $\frac{lnf}{lnf_{nextnextnext-max}}$  and the horizontal axis is  $\frac{lnk}{lnk_{lim}}$ . The + points represent the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, with the upper reference line being the Bethe-Peierls curve, BP(4,  $\beta H = 0.01$ ), with four nearest neighbours, in the presence of little external magnetic field and the lower reference line being the Bethe-Peierls curve, BP(4,  $\beta H = 0$ ), with four nearest neighbours, in the absence of external magnetic field.

### A. conclusion

From the figures (fig.5-fig.10), we observe that there is a curve of magnetisation, behind the entries of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology,[1]. This is the magnetisation curve in the Bethe-Peierls approximation with four nearest neighbours and in the absence of external magnetic field. Moreover, the associated correspondence is,

$$\frac{lnf}{lnf_{2n-max}}\longleftrightarrow \frac{M}{M_{max}}, \quad lnk\longleftrightarrow T.$$

k corresponds to temperature in an exponential scale, [39]. As temperature decreases, i.e. lnk decreases, f increases. The letters which are recording higher entries compared to those which have lesser entries are at lower temperature. As the subject of Sociology expands, the letters like ...,,M, S, C which get enriched more and more, fall at lower and lower temperatures. This is a manifestation of cooling effect, as was first observed in [40], in another way.

4	A	в	$^{\rm C}$	D	$\mathbf{E}$	F	$\mathbf{G}$	н	I	J	к	L	$\mathbf{M}$	Ν	0	Р	Q	R	s	$\mathbf{T}$	$\mathbf{U}$	$\mathbf{V}$	w	x	Y	$\mathbf{z}$
1	123	74	322	167	142	111	94	88	145	15	21	97	207	90	68	215	14	141	445	92	36	33	44	o	2	7

TABLE V. Entries of the Oxford Dictionary Of Sociology along the English letters

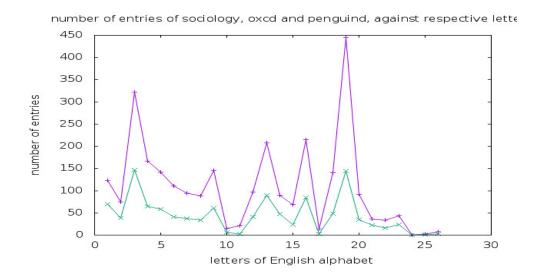


FIG. 11. The vertical axis is the number of entries. The upper line is that of the Oxford Dictionary of Sociology, [31], and the lower line is that of the Penguin Dictionary of Sociology, [1]. The horizontal axis is the respective letters. Letters are represented by the sequence number in the alphabet or, dictionary sequence,[1].

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