

# Open nonequilibrium problems in spin systems

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Summary

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## Stochastic dynamical spin systems

$$\sigma(t) = (\sigma_1(t), \dots, \sigma_N(t))$$

Ising variables, discrete time:

- ▶ Markovian dynamics:
  - parallel*:  $\sigma_i(t+1) = \text{sgn}[h_i(\sigma(t)) + T\eta_i(t)] \quad \forall i$
  - sequential*:
    - $\sigma_i(t+1) = \text{sgn}[h_i(\sigma(t)) + T\eta_i(t)] \quad \text{if } i = i_t$
    - $\sigma_i(t+1) = \sigma_i(t) \quad \text{if } i \neq i_t$
- $i_t$ : drawn indep from  $\{1, \dots, N\}$

- ▶ local fields:
$$h_i(\sigma) = \theta_i + \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j + \sum_{jk} J_{ijk}\sigma_j\sigma_k + \dots$$
- ▶ noise  $\eta_i(t) \in \mathbb{R}$ :  
drawn indep from  $p(\eta)$ ,  
with  $p(-\eta) = p(\eta)$   
*generalizations*:  
*random index sets  $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, N\}$*   
*updated at each step*,  
*Potts spins  $\sigma_i \in \{1, \dots, q\}$* ,  
*etc*

Continuous variables, continuous time:

- ▶ Langevin dynamics:  $\frac{d}{dt}\sigma_i(t) = f_i(\sigma(t)) + \eta_i(t) \quad \forall i$
- ▶ forces:  $f_i(\sigma) = \theta_i + \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j + \sum_{jk} J_{ijk}\sigma_j\sigma_k + \dots$
- ▶ Gaussian noise  $\eta_i(t) \in \mathbb{R}$ :  
 $\langle \eta_i(t) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \eta_i(t)\eta_j(t') \rangle = 2T\delta_{ij}\delta(t-t')$

defined as limit  $\Delta \downarrow 0$  of

$$\sigma_i(t+\Delta) = \sigma_i(t) + \Delta f_i(\sigma(t)) + \sqrt{2T\Delta} \xi_i(t)$$

$$\eta_i(t) = \xi_i(t) \sqrt{2T/\Delta} \quad \text{Itô : } \quad \xi_i(t) \text{ indep Gaussian}$$

$$\text{Stratonovich : } \xi_i(t) \text{ correl Gaussian}$$

generalizations:  
non-Gaussian noise,  
spherical spins,  $\sigma^2(t) = N$ ,  
etc

## Description in term of state probabilities

- ▶ Ising spins, parallel dynamics:

$$\sigma_i(t+1) = \text{sgn}[h_i(\sigma(t)) + T\eta_i(t)] \quad \forall i$$

↔

$$p_{t+1}(\sigma) = \sum_{\sigma'} W[\sigma; \sigma'] p_t(\sigma'), \quad W[\sigma; \sigma'] = \prod_i \frac{1}{2} [1 + \sigma_i g(\beta h_i(\sigma'))]$$

$$\beta = 1/T, \quad g(x) = 2 \int_{-\infty}^x d\eta \rho(\eta)$$

- ▶ Ising spins, sequential dynamics:

$$\sigma_i(\ell+1) = \delta_{i,ie} \text{sgn}[h_i(\sigma(\ell)) + T\eta_i(\ell)] + (1 - \delta_{i,ie})\sigma_i(\ell)$$

$$\text{random step durations : } \text{prob}(\ell|t) = (t/\Delta)^\ell e^{-t/\Delta}/\ell!, \quad \Delta = N^{-1}$$

↔

$$\frac{d}{dt} p_t(\sigma) = \sum_i \left[ w_i(F_i \sigma) p_t(F_i \sigma) - w_i(\sigma) p_t(\sigma) \right] \quad (\text{master eqn})$$

$$F_i \sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, -\sigma_i, \dots, \sigma_N), \quad w_i(\sigma) = \frac{1}{2} [1 - \sigma_i g(\beta h_i(\sigma))]$$

- continuous spins, Langevin dynamics:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\sigma_i(t) = f_i(\sigma(t)) + \eta_i(t) \quad \forall i$$

$\Leftrightarrow$

$$\frac{d}{dt}p_t(\sigma) = - \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} \left[ f_i(\sigma)p_t(\sigma) - T \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} p_t(\sigma) \right] \quad (\text{Fokker-Planck eqn})$$

common form

linear eqns for  $p_t = \{p_t(\sigma)\}$

$$p_{t+1} = Wp_t, \quad \frac{d}{dt}p_t = (W - \mathbf{1})p_t$$

common questions

- existence & uniqueness of stationary states:  $Wp_\infty = p_\infty$
- formula for stationary states  $p_\infty$
- transients, evolution towards  $p_\infty$

## Equilibrium states

special stationary solutions  $p(\sigma)$

that obey *detailed balance*:

$$(\forall \sigma, \sigma') : \quad \text{Prob}[\text{observing } \sigma \rightarrow \sigma'] = \text{Prob}[\text{observing } \sigma' \rightarrow \sigma]$$

for instance:

$$p_{t+1}(\sigma) = \sum_{\sigma'} W[\sigma; \sigma'] p_t(\sigma') : \quad W[\sigma; \sigma'] p(\sigma') = W[\sigma'; \sigma] p(\sigma)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} p_t(\sigma) = \sum_i \left[ w_i(F_i \sigma) p_t(F_i \sigma) - w_i(\sigma) p_t(\sigma) \right] : \quad w_i(F_i \sigma) p(F_i \sigma) = w_i(\sigma) p(\sigma)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} p_t(\sigma) = - \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} \left[ f_i(\sigma) p_t(\sigma) - T \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} p_t(\sigma) \right] : \quad f_i(\sigma) p(\sigma) = T \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} p(\sigma)$$

many benefits!

- route for *finding*  $p(\sigma)$ , leads to equil stat mech
- prove uniqueness of  $p(\sigma)$ , and convergence
- FDT relations
- MCMC sampling *but requires special properties of forces and noise!*

## detailed balance – tool for finding $p(\sigma)$

if we choose

$$h_i(\sigma) = \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j + \theta_i, \quad J_{ij} = J_{ji}$$

$$p(\eta) = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \tanh^2(\eta)], \text{ so } g(h) = \tanh(h)$$

- ▶ Ising spins, sequential dyn (master eqn):

$$w_i(F_i\sigma)p(F_i\sigma) = w_i(\sigma)p(\sigma), \quad J_{ii} = 0 : \quad p(\sigma) \propto e^{\beta \left[ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij}\sigma_i\sigma_j + \sum_i \theta_i\sigma_i \right]}$$

- ▶ Ising spins, parallel dyn:

$$W[\sigma; \sigma']p(\sigma') = W[\sigma'; \sigma]p(\sigma) : \quad p(\sigma) \propto e^{\beta \sum_i \theta_i\sigma_i} \prod_i \cosh[\beta(\theta_i + \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j)] \\ = \sum_{\sigma'} e^{\beta \left[ \sum_{ij} J_{ij}\sigma'_i\sigma_j + \sum_i \theta_i(\sigma'_i + \sigma_i) \right]}$$

- ▶ continuous spins:  
(Fokker-Planck eqn)

$$f_i(\sigma) = T \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} \log p(\sigma),$$

$$f_i(\sigma) = h_i(\sigma) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} V(\sigma_i) :$$

$$p(\sigma) \propto e^{\beta \left[ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij}\sigma_i\sigma_j + \sum_i \theta_i\sigma_i - \sum_i V(\sigma_i) \right]}$$

detailed balance – uniqueness and convergence,  
the  $H$ -theorem

$$p_\infty(\sigma) = Z^{-1} \exp[-\beta H(\sigma)]:$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(t) = \frac{1}{\beta} D(p_t || p_\infty) &= \begin{cases} \beta^{-1} \sum_{\sigma} p_t(\sigma) \log [p_t(\sigma)/p_\infty(\sigma)] & (\text{Ising}) \\ \beta^{-1} \int d\sigma p_t(\sigma) \log [p_t(\sigma)/p_\infty(\sigma)] & (\text{continuous}) \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \sum_{\sigma} p_t(\sigma) [H(\sigma) + T \log p_t(\sigma)] + \frac{1}{\beta} \log Z & (\text{Ising}) \\ \int d\sigma p_t(\sigma) [H(\sigma) + T \log p_t(\sigma)] + \frac{1}{\beta} \log Z & (\text{cont}) \end{cases} \\ &= E(t) - TS(t) + \beta^{-1} \log Z \quad (\text{dynamic free energy}) \end{aligned}$$

if process ergodic:

- ▶ Ising spins:  
master eqn  $\frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{H}(t) \leq 0$ , stationary iff  $p = p_\infty$
  - ▶ continuous spins:  
Fokker-Planck eqn  $\frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{H}(t) \leq 0$ , stationary iff  $p = p_\infty$
  - ▶ Ising spins:  
parallel dynamics  $\mathcal{H}(t+1) - \mathcal{H}(t) = ?$ , not yet done,  
probably easy...

*detailed balance essential in proofs!*

## detailed balance – fluctuation dissipation theorems (FDT)

let  $\theta_i \rightarrow \theta_i(t)$ :

$$C_{ij}(t, t') = \langle \sigma_i(t) \sigma_j(t') \rangle, \quad G_{ij}(t, t') = \partial \langle \sigma_i(t) \rangle / \partial \theta_j(t')$$

derivation:

- (i) differentiate stat state eqn wrt external fields
- (ii) use  $C_{ij}(t, t') = C_{ij}(t - t')$  and  $G_{ij}(t, t') = G_{ij}(t - t')$
- (iii) use detailed balance condition to simplify

- ▶ Ising spins,  
master eqn:

$$G_{ij}(\tau) = -\beta \theta(\tau) \frac{d}{d\tau} C_{ij}(\tau)$$

- ▶ continuous spins,  
Fokker-Planck eqn:

$$G_{ij}(\tau) = -\beta \theta(\tau) \frac{d}{d\tau} C_{ij}(\tau)$$

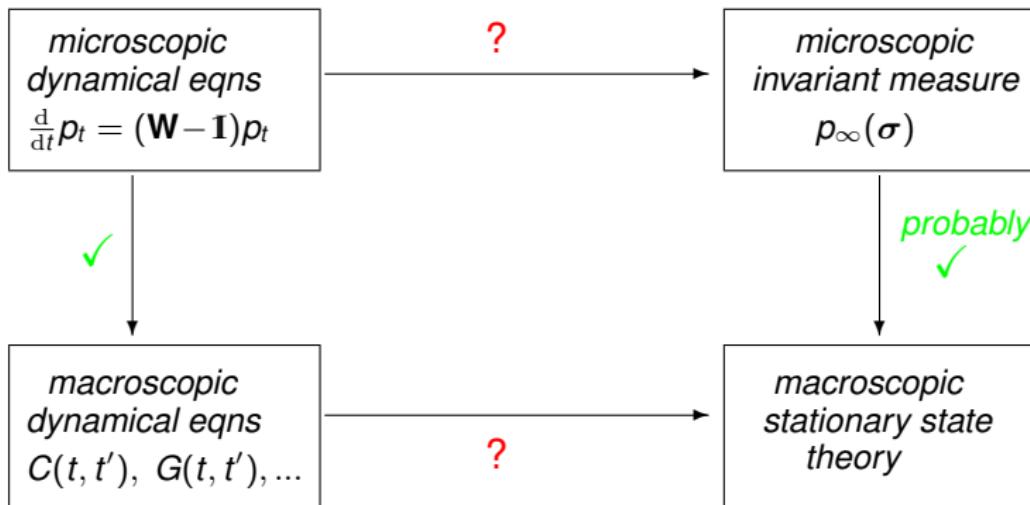
- ▶ Ising spins,  
parallel dyn:

$$G_{ij}(\tau > 0) = -\beta [C_{ij}(\tau + 1) - C_{ij}(\tau - 1)]$$
$$G_{ij}(\tau \leq 0) = 0$$

*generalizations to higher order FDTs  
detailed balance essential in derivations!*

access to  
*non-equilibrium*  
stationary state physics

most real world processes  
(physics, biology, chemistry, economics)  
do *not* obey detailed balance ...



## Nonequilibrium steady states

most real world processes  
do *not* obey detailed balance ...

yet many go to unique stationary state  
(Perron-Frobenius theorem)  
but  $p(\sigma)$  tricky to compute ...

- ▶ Ising spins,  
parallel dyn:

$$p(\sigma) = \sum_{\sigma'} W[\sigma; \sigma'] p(\sigma')$$

- ▶ Ising spins,  
master eqn:

$$\sum_i [w_i(F_i \sigma) p(F_i \sigma) - w_i(\sigma) p(\sigma)] = 0$$

- ▶ continuous spins,  
Langevin dyn:

$$\sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} [f_i(\sigma) p(\sigma) - T \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} p(\sigma)] = 0$$

detailed balance violations

- noise induced, i.e.  $p(\eta) \neq \frac{1}{2}[1 - \tanh^2(\eta)]$
- force induced, e.g.  $J_{ij} \neq J_{ji}$  ...

## noise induced violation of detailed balance

e.g. master eqn, Ising spins

$$h_i(\sigma) = \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j + \theta_i,$$

$$J_{ij} = J_{ji}, \quad J_{ii} = 0$$

$$p(\eta) = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \tanh^2(\eta)]$$

$$g(x) = \tanh(x)$$

$$p(\eta) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\eta^2}/\sqrt{2\pi}$$

$$g(x) = \text{Erf}(x/\sqrt{2})$$

stationary state eqn:

$$\sum_i \left[ p(F_i \sigma) e^{\sigma_i \tanh^{-1} [\text{Erf}(\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}}(\theta_i + \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j))]} - p(\sigma) e^{-\sigma_i \tanh^{-1} [\text{Erf}(\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}}(\theta_i + \sum_j J_{ij}\sigma_j))]} \right] = 0$$

questions

► intuition:

'internal' forces still as in conventional defns,  
Gaussian noise natural (CLT?) for representing environment,  
why does a heat bath require  $p(\eta) = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \tanh^2(\eta)]$ ?

► mathematical: what is  $p(\sigma)$ ?

## force induced violation of detailed balance

- ▶ e.g. Fokker-Planck eqn,  
continuous spins,  
special case:

$$p(\sigma) = e^{-\beta H(\sigma)},$$

$$f_i(\sigma) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_i} H(\sigma) + F_i(\sigma) e^{\beta H(\sigma)}$$

stationary state:

$$\sum_i \frac{\partial F_i(\sigma)}{\partial \sigma_i} = 0$$

- ▶ e.g. master eqn, Ising spins

$$p(\eta) = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \tanh^2(\eta)],$$

$$h_i(\sigma) = \sum_j J_{ij} \sigma_j + \theta_i, \quad J_{ii} = 0 \quad J_{ij} = J_{ij}^+ + J_{ij}^-, \quad \begin{cases} J_{ji}^+ = J_{ij}^+ \\ J_{ji}^- = -J_{ij}^- \end{cases}$$

stationary state:

$$p(\sigma) = q(\sigma) e^{\beta \sum_j \theta_j \sigma_j + \frac{1}{2} \beta \sum_{ij} J_{ij}^+ \sigma_i \sigma_j} :$$

$$q(\sigma) = \frac{\sum_i e^{\beta \sigma_i \sum_j J_{ij}^- \sigma_j} q(F_i \sigma)}{\sum_i e^{-\beta \sigma_i \sum_j J_{ij}^- \sigma_j}}$$

question: what is  $q(\sigma)$ ?

only first few orders in  $\beta$  expansion known ...

## Generating functional analysis

derivation of macroscopic dynamical eqns  
for heterogeneous systems

- ▶ generating functional: average over all paths  $\{\sigma(t)\}$   
(if  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ :  $\sum_t \rightarrow \int dt$ )

$$\begin{aligned} Z[\psi] &= \left\langle e^{-i \sum_i \sum_t \psi_i(t) \sigma_i(t)} \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{\{\sigma\}} e^{-i \sum_i \sum_t \psi_i(t) \sigma_i(t)} p(\{\sigma\}) \\ &= \sum_{\{\sigma\}} e^{-i \sum_i \sum_t \psi_i(t) \sigma_i(t)} p_0(\sigma(0)) \prod_{t \geq 0} W_t[\sigma(t+1); \sigma(t)] \end{aligned}$$

now

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sigma_i(t) \rangle &= i \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial Z[\psi]}{\partial \psi_i(t)}, \quad \frac{\partial \langle \sigma_i(t) \rangle}{\partial \theta_j(t')} = i \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 Z[\psi]}{\partial \psi_i(t) \partial \theta_j(t')}, \\ \langle \sigma_i(t) \sigma_j(t') \rangle &= - \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 Z[\psi]}{\partial \psi_i(t) \partial \psi_j(t')} \quad etc \end{aligned}$$

disorder:  $\{J_{ij}\}$

- ▶ average over disorder

$$\overline{Z[\psi]} = \overline{\left\langle e^{-i \sum_i \sum_t \psi_i(t) \sigma_i(t)} \right\rangle} :$$

$$\overline{\langle \sigma_i(t) \rangle} = \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{i \partial \overline{Z[\psi]}}{\partial \psi_i(t)}$$

$$C_{ij}(t, t') = - \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2 \overline{Z[\psi]}}{\partial \psi_i(t) \partial \psi_j(t')}$$

$$G_{ij}(t, t') = \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{i \partial^2 \overline{Z[\psi]}}{\partial \psi_i(t) \partial \theta_j(t')}$$

- ▶ computing  $\overline{Z[\psi]}$

insert integral over field paths:  $\{\mathbf{h}(t)\}$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int \prod_t d\mathbf{h}(t) \prod_{ti} \delta \left[ h_i(t) - \sum_j J_{ij} \sigma_j(t) - \theta_i(t) \right] \\ &= \int \prod_t \frac{d\mathbf{h}(t)d\hat{\mathbf{h}}(t)}{(2\pi)^N} \prod_{ti} e^{i\hat{h}_i(t)[h_i(t) - \sum_j J_{ij} \sigma_j(t) - \theta_i(t)]} \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{Z[\psi]} &= \sum_{\{\sigma\}} p_0(\sigma(0)) \int \prod_t \left[ \frac{d\mathbf{h}(t)d\hat{\mathbf{h}}(t)}{(2\pi)^N} e^{i\hat{\mathbf{h}}(t) \cdot \mathbf{h}(t) - i\psi(t) \cdot \sigma(t)} \prod_i \frac{e^{\beta \sigma_i(t+1) h_i(t)}}{2 \cosh[\beta h_i(t)]} \right] \\ &\quad \times e^{-i \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sum_t \hat{h}_i(t) \sigma_j(t)} \end{aligned}$$

← easy! no need for DB...

# impact of connectivity scaling ... early results

- ▶ fully connected, e.g.

$$SK \text{ type:} \quad \begin{aligned} i < j : \quad p(J_{ij}) &= \left(\frac{KN}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}KNJ_{ij}^2} \\ i > j : \quad p(J_{ij}) &= \eta \left(\frac{KN}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}KNJ_{ij}^2} + (1-\eta)\delta(J_{ij}-J_{ji}) \end{aligned}$$

$$Hopfield \text{ type:} \quad J_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\alpha N} \xi_i^\mu \xi_j^\mu \quad \text{or} \quad J_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\alpha N} \xi_i^{\mu+1} \xi_j^\mu$$

- ▶ extremely diluted, e.g.

$$DGZ \text{ type:} \quad J_{ij} = \frac{c_{ij}}{c} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\alpha N} \xi_i^\mu \xi_j^\mu, \quad p(c_{ij}) = \frac{c}{N} \delta_{c_{ij},1} + (1 - \frac{c}{N}) \delta_{c_{ij},0}, \quad \frac{c}{N}, \frac{1}{c} \rightarrow 0$$

all cases: closed theory for  $C(t, t')$  and  $G(t, t')$ ,  
defined in terms of effective single spin eqn  
with non-white noise and (possibly) retarded self-interaction

stationary state, doable iff:

- (i) fully asymmetric bonds (no retarded self-interaction), easy ...
- (ii) fully symmetric bonds (use FDT), hard ...

## impact of connectivity scaling ... more recent results

- ▶ finitely connected, i.e.  $c = \mathcal{O}(1)$ :

$$J_{ij} = J c_{ij}, \quad p(\mathbf{c}) \propto \left( \prod_{i < j} \hat{p}(c_{ij}, c_{ji}) \right) \left( \prod_i \delta_{k_i, \sum_j c_{ij}} \right)$$

$$\hat{p}(c_{ij}) = w(c_{ij}), \quad \hat{p}(c_{ji}|c_{ij}) = \epsilon \delta_{c_{ij}, c_{ji}} + (1 - \epsilon) w(c_{ji})$$

$$w(c_{ij}) = \frac{c}{N} \delta_{c_{ij}, 1} + (1 - \frac{c}{N}) \delta_{c_{ij}, 0}$$

more complex order pars,  
again defined in terms of  
effective eqn for single  
spin  $\sigma = \{\sigma(t)\}$

$$P(\sigma|\theta) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \overline{\langle \delta\sigma, \sigma_i \rangle} \Big|_{\theta_i \rightarrow \theta_i + \theta}$$

$$Q(\sigma|\theta) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \overline{\langle \delta\sigma, \sigma_i \rangle} \Big|_{\theta_i \rightarrow \theta_i + \theta, k_i \rightarrow k_i - 1}$$

stationary state, doable iff:

- (i) fully asymmetric bonds, easy ...
- (ii) fully symmetric bonds, only leading orders in  $c^{-1}$ , hard ...

simplest case we cannot (yet) do:

$$p(k) = \delta_{k,2},$$

$\epsilon = 1$  (detailed balance!),

initial time to  $-\infty$ :

$$\sigma = \{\sigma(t)\} : \quad Q(\sigma|\sigma') = \sum_{\sigma''} Q(\sigma''|\sigma) \prod_t \frac{e^{\beta J \sigma(t+1)[\sigma'(t)+\sigma''(t)]}}{2 \cosh[\beta J[\sigma'(t)+\sigma''(t)]]}$$

questions:

- (i) what is the stationary order parameter?
- (ii) eqn for stationary order parameter?

why can't we use equilibrium theory to guide us?

(not even a phase transition in this model ...)

- equilibrium (replica) theory: formulated in terms of *effective* fields
- dynamical (GFA) theory: formulated in terms of *real* fields ...

## Transients in complex equilibrium systems

disordered periodic 1-dimensional spin chain  
with parallel dynamics

$$h_i(\sigma) = J_i \sigma_{i-1} + J_{i+1} \sigma_{i+1} + \theta_i, \quad W[\sigma; \sigma'] = \prod_i \frac{e^{\beta \sigma_i h_i(\sigma')}}{2 \cosh[\beta h_i(\sigma')]}.$$

- ▶ can use GFA, but model has spatial structure:  
no longer mean-field order pars  $P(\sigma|\theta)$ ,  $Q(\sigma|\theta)$

- ▶ dynamical version of transfer matrix:  
transfer operator  $\langle \sigma, \mathbf{h}, \hat{\mathbf{h}} | M | \sigma', \mathbf{h}', \hat{\mathbf{h}}' \rangle$   
acting on paths  $\sigma = \{\sigma(t)\}$ ,  $\mathbf{h} = \{h(t)\}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \{\hat{h}(t)\}$

largest eigenvalue: single-site dynamical observables  
(magnetizations, correlation- and response functions)

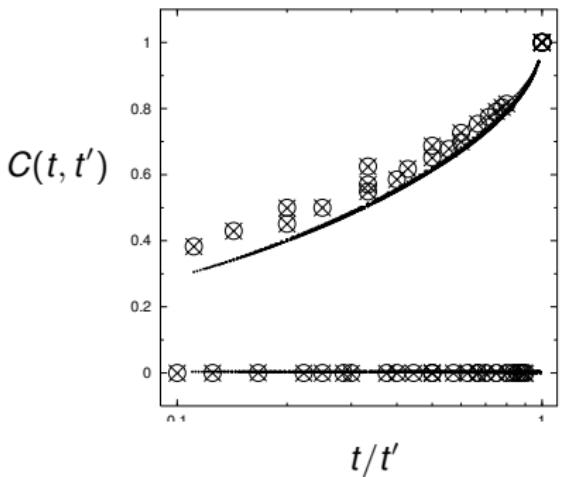
second largest eigenvalue: correlation lengths

e.g. anomalous relaxation in chains

$$p(\theta) = p(-\theta)$$

$$p(J) = \frac{1}{2}(1-\eta)\delta(J-\tilde{J}) + \frac{1}{2}(1+\eta)\delta(J+\tilde{J})$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\sigma|\sigma') &= \sum_{\sigma''} Q(\sigma''|\sigma') \int d\theta p(\theta) \prod_t \frac{e^{\beta\sigma(t+1)[\theta + \tilde{J}\sigma(t) + \tilde{J}\sigma''(t)]}}{\cosh[2\beta[\theta + \tilde{J}\sigma(t) + \tilde{J}\sigma''(t)]]} \\ C(t,t') &= \sum_{\sigma} \sigma(t)\sigma(t') \sum_{\sigma'} Q(\sigma|\sigma')Q(\sigma'|\sigma') \end{aligned}$$



- numerical soln of order par eqn

- × simulations,  $N = 10^6$

- $t, t' = 1 \dots 10$

- simulations,  $50 \leq t \leq t' \leq 100$

$T = 0.1$

analytical soln  $Q(\sigma|\sigma')$ ?

## Dynamics of graphs

constrained

Ising spin dynamics

redefine

$$N = n^2, \sigma_i = 2A_{kl} - 1,$$
$$M_s^{row} = 2k_s^{in} - n,$$
$$M_s^{col} = 2k_s^{out} - n,$$

then

$$A_{ij} \in \{0, 1\},$$

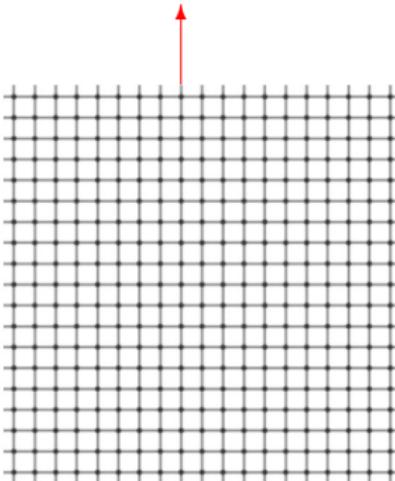
subject to

$$\forall i : \sum_j A_{ij} = k_i^{in},$$

$$\forall i : \sum_j A_{ji} = k_i^{out}$$

for all columns  $r$ :

$$\sum_{i \text{ in column } r} \sigma_i = M_r^{col}$$



for all rows  $\ell$ :

$$\sum_{i \text{ in row } \ell} \sigma_i = M_\ell^{row}$$

stochastic evolution of graphs  $\mathbf{A} = \{A_{ij}\}$ ,  
with hard-constrained degrees

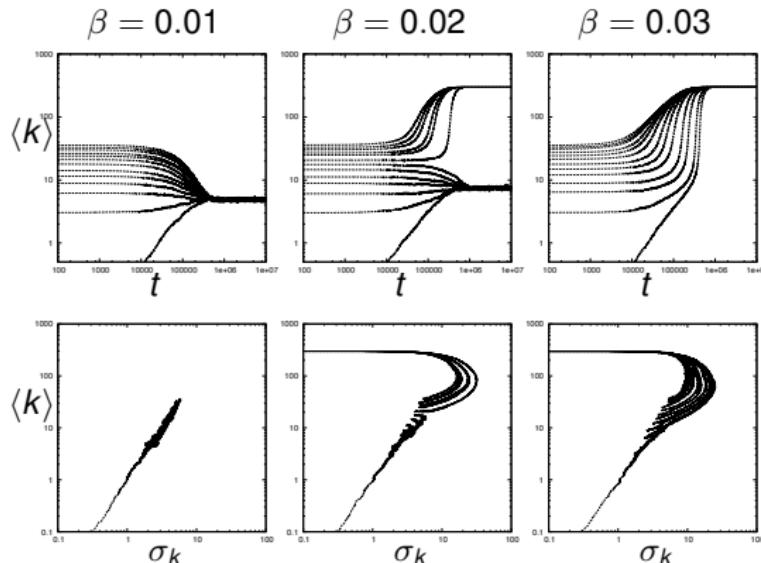
tricky new aspect: nr of possible moves not constant ...

## why degree-constrained graph dynamics?

- ▶ generate soft-constrained nondirected graphs via MCMC

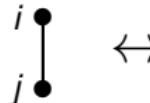
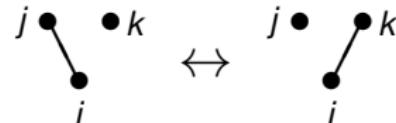
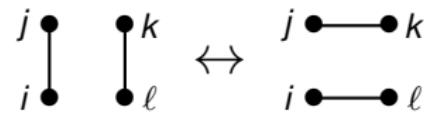
$$\text{e.g. } p(\mathbf{A}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{\alpha \sum_i k_i(\mathbf{A}) + \beta \sum_i k_i^2(\mathbf{A})}$$

$$\text{constrained: } \langle k \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i k_i(\mathbf{A}), \quad \langle k^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i k_i^2(\mathbf{A})$$



$\alpha = 4, N = 300$

## MCMC for graphs with hard constraints

MOVE SET	INVARIANTS	ACTION
link flips $\{F_{ij}\}$	none	
hinge flips $\{F_{ijk}\}$	average degree $\bar{k}(\mathbf{A}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{rs} A_{rs}$	
edge swaps $\{F_{ijkl}\}$	all individual degrees $k_i(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_j A_{ij}$	

move acceptance probability  
to achieve  $p(\mathbf{A}) \propto \exp[-H(\mathbf{A})]$ :

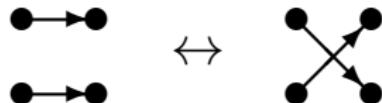
$$\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{A}') = \frac{n(\mathbf{A}') e^{-\frac{1}{2}[H(\mathbf{A}) - H(\mathbf{A}')]} }{n(\mathbf{A}') e^{-\frac{1}{2}[H(\mathbf{A}) - H(\mathbf{A}')]} + n(\mathbf{A}) e^{\frac{1}{2}[H(\mathbf{A}) - H(\mathbf{A}')]}}$$

**$n(\mathbf{A})$ :** nr of moves that can act on  $\mathbf{A}$

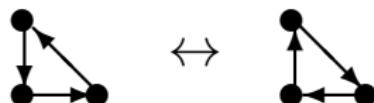
- edge swaps (conserve all degrees):

$$n(\mathbf{A}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{4}N^2\langle k \rangle^2 + \frac{1}{4}N\langle k \rangle - \frac{1}{2}N\langle k^2 \rangle}_{invariant} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{4}\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^4) + \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^3) - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{ij}k_i A_{ij} k_j}_{state\ dependent}$$

- directed graphs,  $A_{ij} \neq A_{ji}$ , conserve all in- and out-degrees:



complication: edge swaps  
*not ergodic for directed graphs*  
 further move type required:



$$n_{\square}(\mathbf{A}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}N^2\langle k \rangle^2 - \sum_j k_j^{\text{in}} k_j^{\text{out}}}_{invariant} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2) + \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{A}) + \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^2 \mathbf{A}^\dagger) - \sum_{ij} k_i^{\text{in}} c_{ij} k_j^{\text{out}}}_{state\ dependent}$$

$$n_{\triangle}(\mathbf{A}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{3}\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^3) - \text{Tr}(\hat{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{A}^2) + \text{Tr}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}^2 \mathbf{A}) - \frac{1}{3}\text{Tr}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}^3)}_{state\ dependent}$$

with:  $(\mathbf{A}^\dagger)_{ij} = A_{ji}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{ij} = A_{ij}A_{ji}$

picking candidate moves *randomly* ...

e.g. hinge flips

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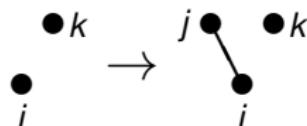
PROTOCOL 1:

- (i) pick a site  $j$  with  $k_j(\mathbf{A}) > 0$
- (ii) pick a site  $i \in \partial_j(\mathbf{A})$
- (iii) pick a site  $k \notin \partial_i(\mathbf{A}) \cup \{i\}$



PROTOCOL 2:

- (i) pick two disconnected sites  
 $(i, k)$  with  $k_i(\mathbf{A}) > 0$
- (ii) pick a site  $j \in \partial_i(\mathbf{A})$



PROTOCOL 3:

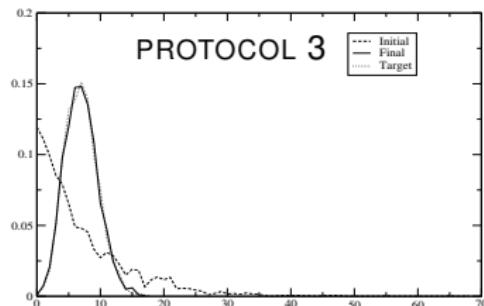
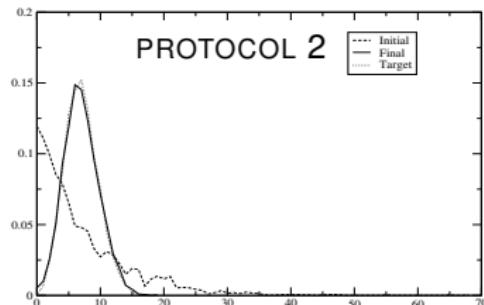
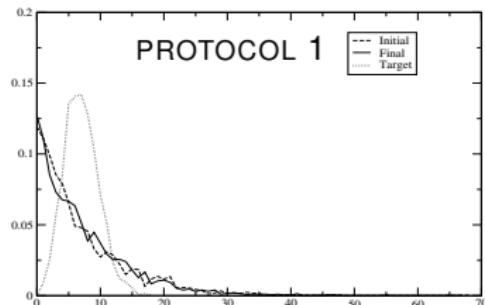
- (i) pick two connected sites  $(i, j)$   
and a third site  $k$
- (ii) while  $A_{ik} = 1$  return to (i)



$N=3000$ ,  $\langle k \rangle = 7$

initial graph: power law  $p(k)$ ,  
MCMC target: Poissonian  $p(k)$

dynamics highly sensitive  
to correct move selection ...



## Summary

- ▶ general, important and open  
(apart from special cases):  
*computing microscopic invariant measure  $p_\infty(\sigma)$   
for spin systems without detailed balance*
- ▶ general, important and open  
(apart from special cases);  
*extraction stationary state equations from GFA formalism  
for finitely connected random topologies  
(not even done yet for detailed balance ...)*
- ▶ dynamics of 1-dim disordered systems:  
*dynamical version of transfer matrix in GFA  
generalization to 2-dim?*
- ▶ hard-constrained MCMC of graphs:  
*interesting effects due to nr of possible moves not fixed  
(changing connection between dynamics and invariant measure)*

papers, seminars, notes:  
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