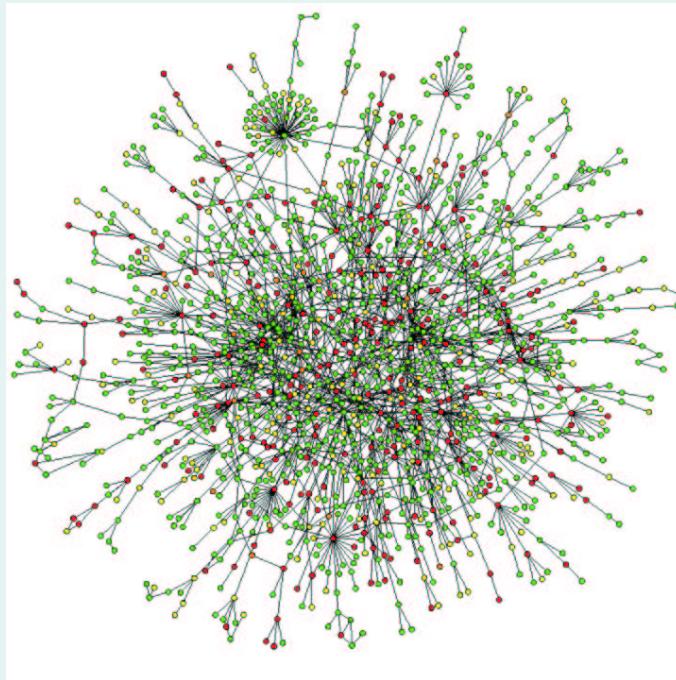


# Statistical Mechanics of Signaling Processes on Complex Biological Networks

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# OVERVIEW

## Stochastic processes on large networks in biology

<i>interacting cells</i>	( <i>neural &amp; immune networks</i> )
<i>interacting proteins</i>	( <i>proteomic networks</i> )
<i>interacting genes</i>	( <i>gene regulation networks</i> )

## Complex networks – definitions, characterization

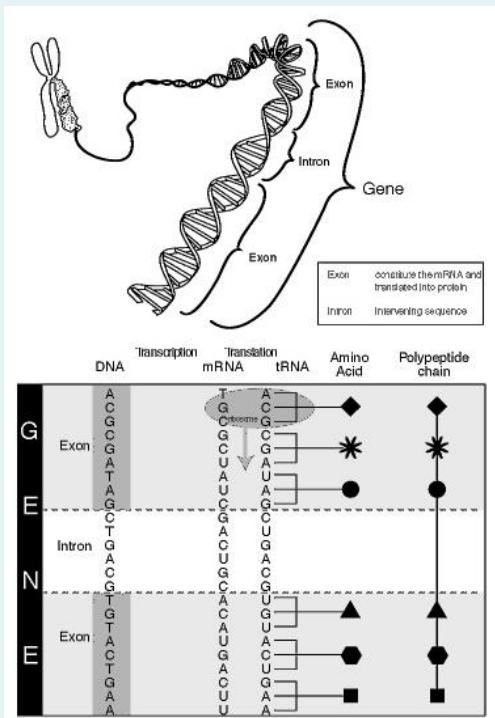
*random graphs, degree distribution*  
*small-world networks*  
*scale-free networks*

## Theory of processes on large complex networks

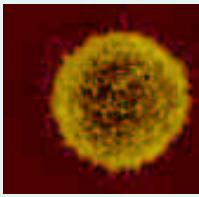
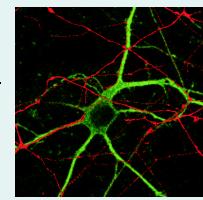
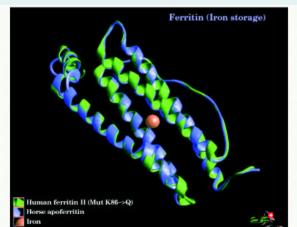
*methods and their applicability*  
*statics – finite connectivity replica theory*  
*dynamics – generating functional analysis*  
*dynamics – dynamical replica & cavity techniques*

# PROCESSES ON LARGE NETWORKS IN BIOLOGY

networks: defined functionally, by interaction partners

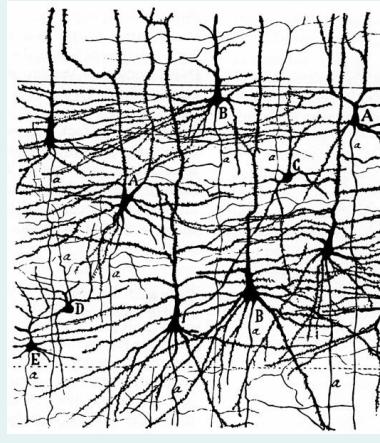


- gene level
- protein level
- cell level



# NEURAL NETWORKS

Dense networks of  $\sim 10^4 - 10^8$  brain cells (neurons) connected via electro-chemical terminals (synapses)



## models

$$J_{ij} = c_{ij} K_{ij} \quad \begin{cases} c_{ij} \in \{1, 0\} & \text{bond } j \rightarrow i \text{ present/absent} \\ & (\text{architecture}) \\ K_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} & \text{strength \& type of bond} \end{cases}$$

- binary variables  $\sigma_i = \pm 1$ , reacting to incoming signals  $V_i$

$$\sigma_i(t+1) = \text{sgn} \left[ \sum_j J_{ij} \sigma_j(t) + \theta_i + \eta_i(t) \right]$$

$\eta_i(t)$ : noise

- neuron voltages  $V_i$

$$\frac{d}{dt} V_i(t) = \sum_j J_{ij} \tanh[\gamma V_j(t)] - V_i(t) + \theta_i + \eta_i(t)$$

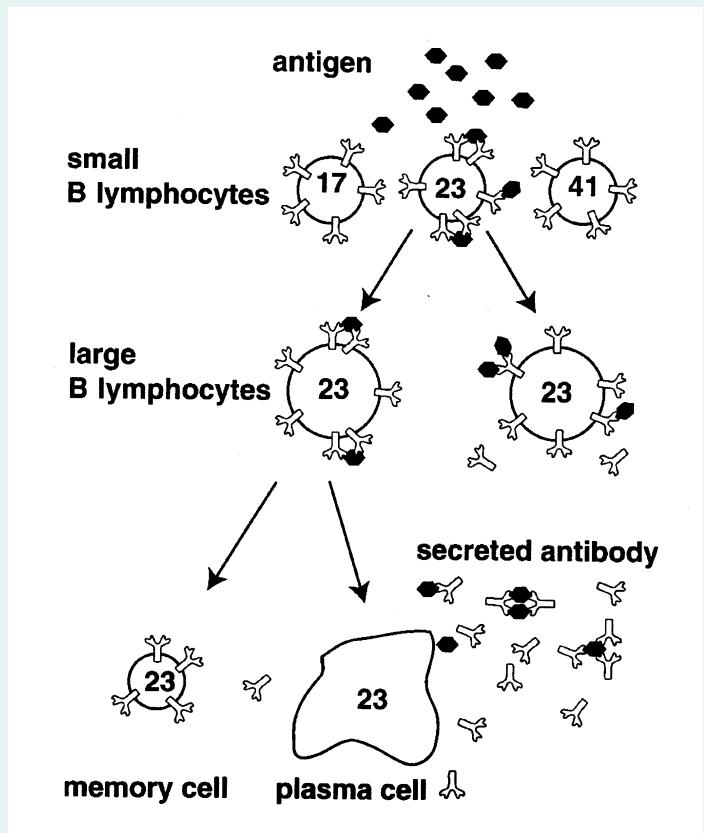
- coupled oscillators, phases  $\phi_i$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \phi_i(t) = \omega_i + \sum_j J_{ij} \sin[\phi_j(t) - \phi_i(t)] + \eta_i(t)$$

# IMMUNE NETWORKS

the enemy:

invaders, abnormal cells (antigens)



the defense:

lymphocytes (white blood cells)

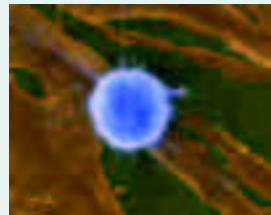
B-cells: secrete tags (antibodies)

helper T-cells: assist B-cells

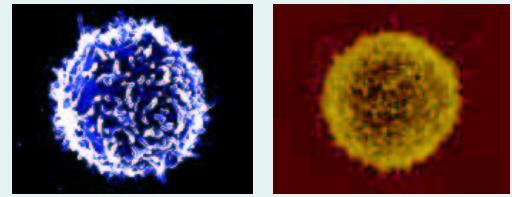
cytotoxic T-cells: cell killers

phagocytic cells: vacuum cleaners

(eat anything tagged ...)



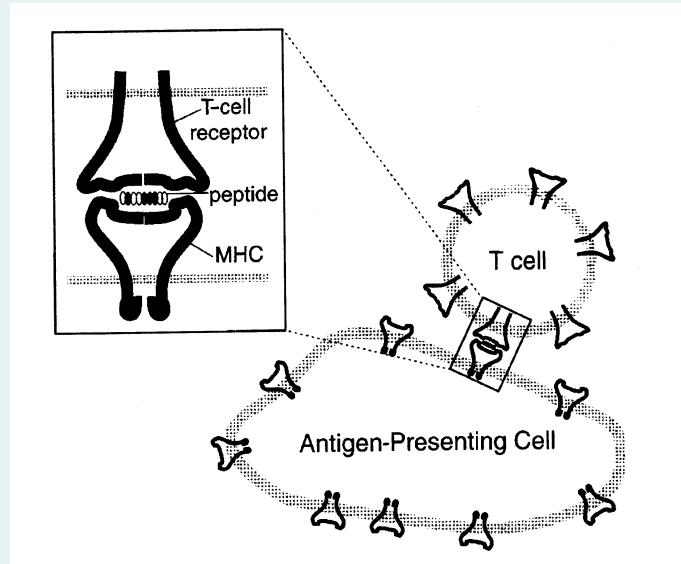
Lymphocytes recognize surface shapes of antigens



- each lymphocyte has surface receptors of a specific type
- antigen binding to receptor triggers the lymphocyte into reproducing
- shapes of encountered antigens are memorized
- recognize as many shapes as possible but **not** healthy self molecules ...

models of the immune system:

dynamics of concentrations of many different competing cell types



## How is memory achieved in the immune system?

Jerne (1974): network models of the immune system

Varela et al (1991): 2nd generation immune network theory

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} f_i &= -K_1 f_i h_i - K_2 f_i + K_3 b_i M(h_i) + \text{noise} \\ \frac{d}{dt} b_i &= -K_4 b_i + K_5 b_i P(h_i) + K_6 + \text{noise}\end{aligned}$$

$$h_i = \sum_j c_{ij} f_j + \theta_i \quad \text{'activation' of clone } i$$

$f_i$  : concentration of antibody (idio)type  $i$

$b_i$  : concentration of B-cell (idio)type  $i$

$\theta_i$  : concentration of antigen type  $i$

$M(\cdot)$ ,  $P(\cdot)$  : nonnegative bell-shaped functions

single-clone stationary states:

- non-suppressed clone:  $h_i \ll 1$ ,  $f_i \sim 1$
- suppressed clone:  $h_i \gg 1$ ,  $f_i \sim 0$

net result:

- network of antibody clones with negative mutual interactions
- clone-anticlone pairs support stable  $(\uparrow, \downarrow)$  and  $(\downarrow, \uparrow)$  states

# GENE REGULATION & PROTEOMIC NETWORKS

## protein interaction networks

(‘yeast two-hybrid method’)

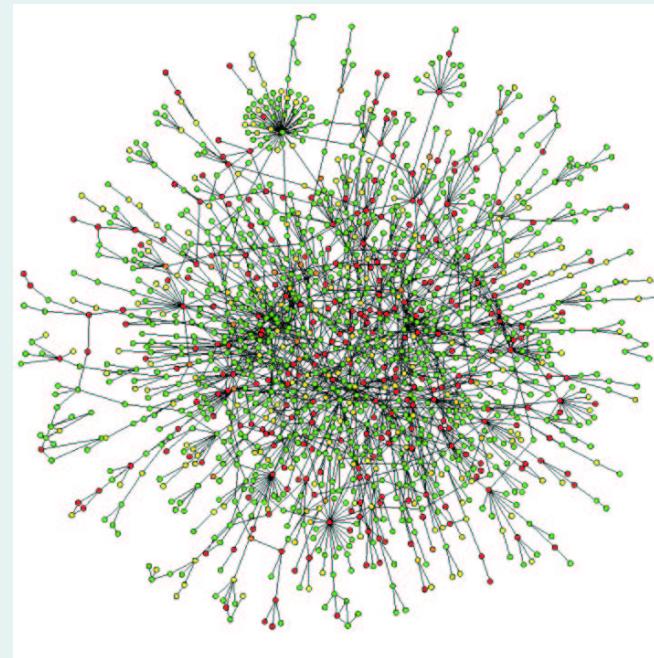
nodes: protein species

links: direct physical pair-interaction

simple models:

$f_i$ : concentration of  $i$ -th protein type

$$\frac{d}{dt}f_i = \sum_j J_{ij}f_j + \sum_{jk} J_{ijk\ell}f_j f_k + \sum_{j\ell} J_{ijk\ell}f_j f_k f_\ell + \dots$$



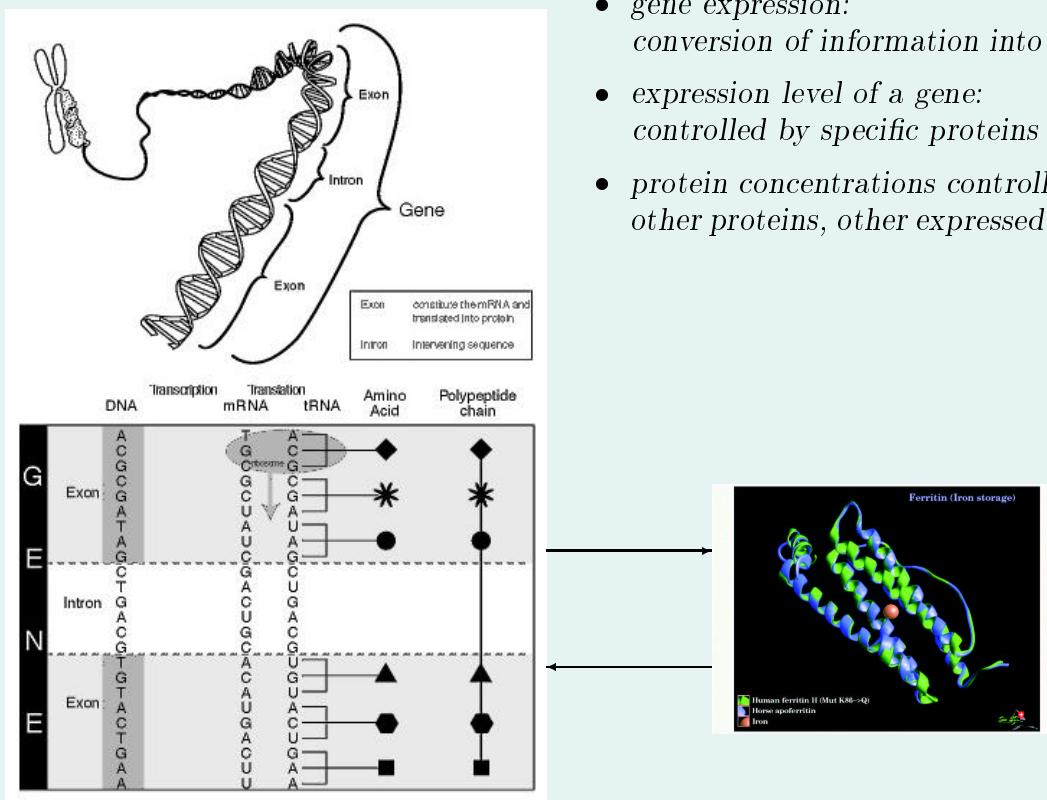
in addition:

- indirect interactions via regulation of gene expression
- conformation changes of proteins
- spatial effects (localized proteins, diffusion, ...)
- conservation laws
- functional versus actual interactions

# Gene regulation networks

Initial objective: understand and explain cell differentiation

- gene expression:  
conversion of information into protein production
- expression level of a gene:  
controlled by specific proteins
- protein concentrations controlled by:  
other proteins, other expressed genes, external stimuli



## Models of Gene Regulation Networks:

- basic variables are expression levels of genes (e.g. on/off)
- replace genes → proteins → genes feedback loop  
by effective gene → gene interactions

## The Kauffman model (1969)

$$N \text{ Boolean genes : } \begin{cases} \sigma_i = 0 & \text{gene } i \text{ switched off} \\ \sigma_i = 1 & \text{gene } i \text{ switched on} \end{cases}$$

dynamics:  $\sigma_i(t+1) = \mathcal{F}_i[\sigma_{j_1(i)}(t), \dots, \sigma_{j_k(i)}(t)]$

each  $i$ :

$$\begin{aligned} j_1(i), \dots, j_k(i) &\quad \text{drawn randomly from } \{1, \dots, N\} \\ \mathcal{F}_i : \{0, 1\}^k &\rightarrow \{0, 1\} \quad \text{random function, Prob}(\mathcal{F}=0) = p \end{aligned}$$

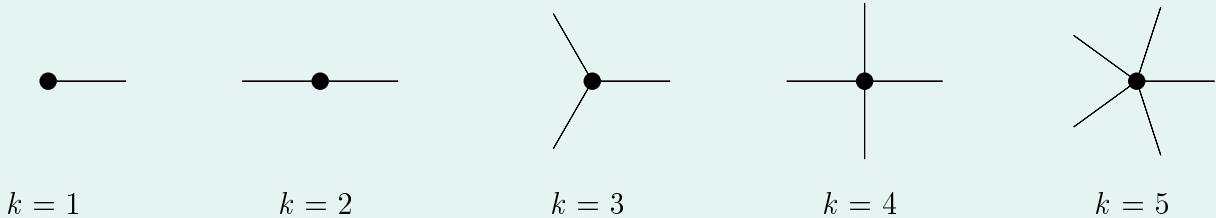
- critical connectivity:  $k_c = [2p(1-p)]^{-1}$
- $k < k_c$ : frozen phase (trajectories end in fixed-points)
- $k > k_c$ : chaotic phase (limit cycles, diverging trajectories)
- number, length of attractors? dependence on  $N$ ?

# COMPLEX NETWORKS

## Networks – definition and characterization

- \* nodes and links:
  - nodes :  $i = 1, \dots, N$
  - links :  $c_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$        $c_{ij} = 1$  : link  $j \rightarrow i$  present  
 $c_{ij} = 0$  : link  $j \rightarrow i$  absent

- \* degree  $k$  of a node:  
total nr of links to that node



- \* degree distribution  $P(k)$ :  
histogram of the  $N$  degrees  $\{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N\}$

average connectivity:

$$c = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N k_i = \sum_{k \geq 0} P(k)k$$

- \* clustering coefficient of node  $i$ :

$$C_i = \frac{\text{actual nr of links amongst the } k_i \text{ neighbours of } i}{\text{possible nr of links amongst the } k_i \text{ neighbours of } i}$$

- ★ distance between nodes  $(i, j)$ :  $\ell_{ij}$   
length of the shortest path connecting nodes  $(i, j)$
- distance distribution  $\Pi(\ell)$ : histogram of distances  $\ell_{ij}$
- mean path-length:  

$$\bar{\ell} = \sum_{\ell \geq 0} \Pi(\ell) \ell$$

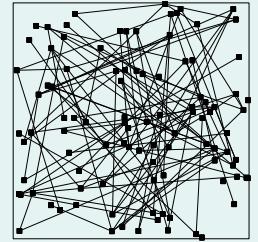
## Examples

- Poissonian (Erdos-Renyi) random networks  
for each pair  $(i, j)$ : form a link with probability  $c/N$

$k_i$  random for all  $i$

$$N \text{ large : } P(k) = c^k e^{-c} / k! \quad c = \sum_{k \geq 0} P(k) k$$

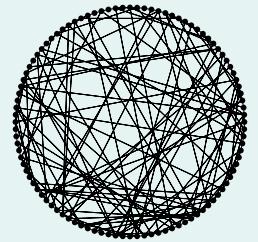
$$\bar{\ell} \sim \log(N)$$



- ‘small-world’ networks’ (epidemics, etc)

e.g. connect nearest neighbours on a ring

+  
Poissonian random graph



‘small world effect’:

due to even very small number of random links

- reduction of distances:  $\bar{\ell} \sim \mathcal{O}(N) \rightarrow \bar{\ell} \sim \mathcal{O}(\log N)$
- greater robustness of processes against noise

## complex network (definition in a nutshell)

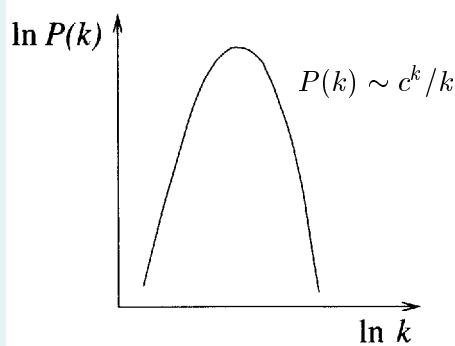
Simple network:

- degree distribution  $P(k)$  decays faster than power law
- clustering coeff  $C_i$  independent of degrees  $k_i$
- conventional path lengths  $\bar{\ell} \sim \log(N)$

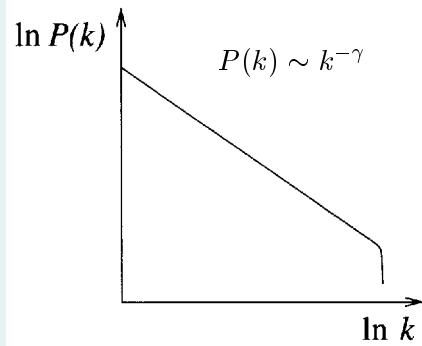
Complex ('scale-free') network:

- degree distribution  $P(k)$  decays according to power law
- clustering coeff  $C_i$  positively correlated with degrees  $k_i$
- shorter path lengths

simple:

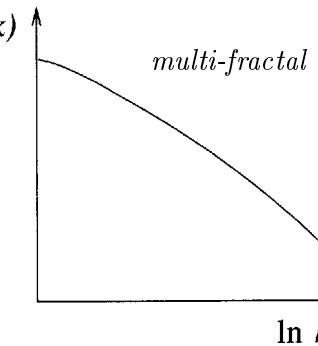
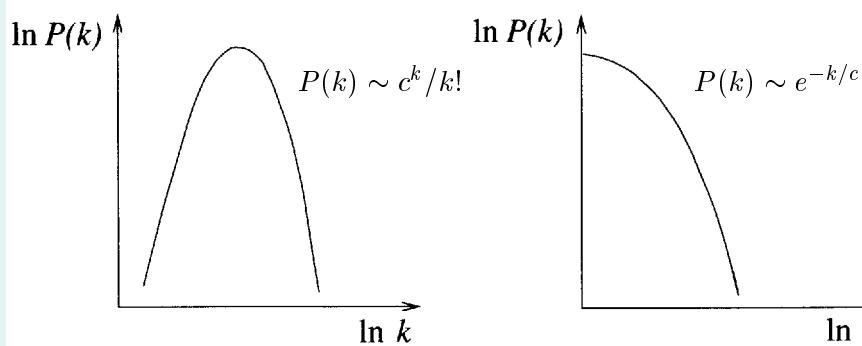


complex:



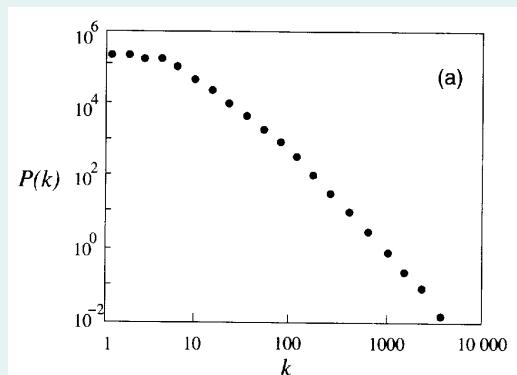
mechanism:

growth with preferential attachment

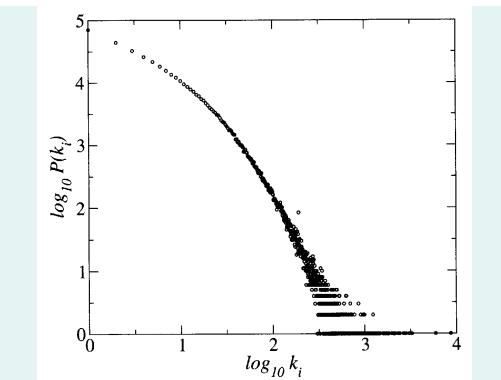


## Social networks

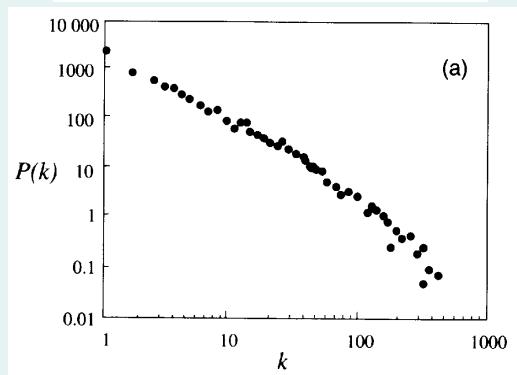
*author networks:*



*citation networks:*

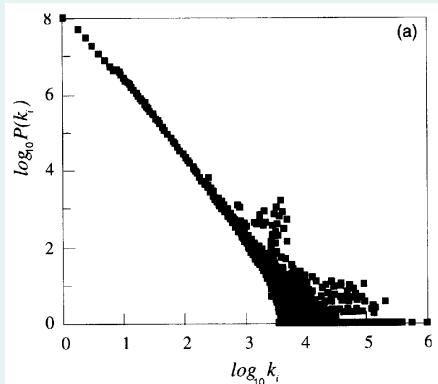


*E-mail networks:*

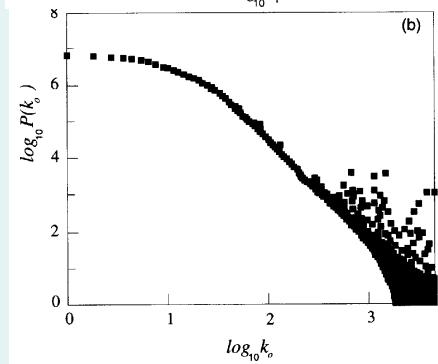


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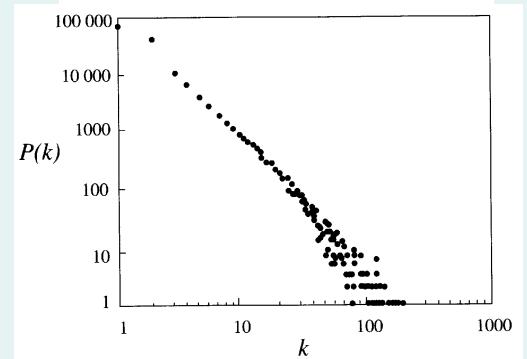
WWW *in-links*:



WWW *out-links*:

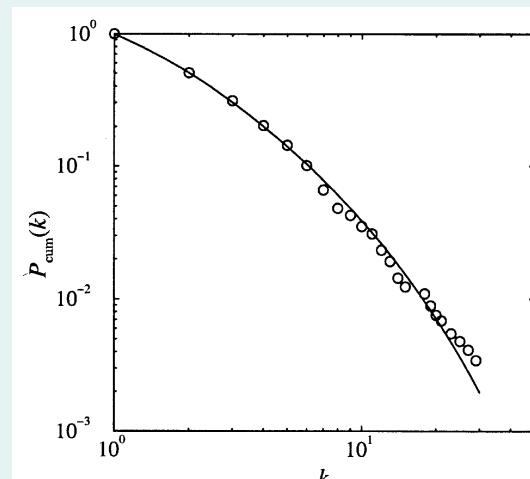
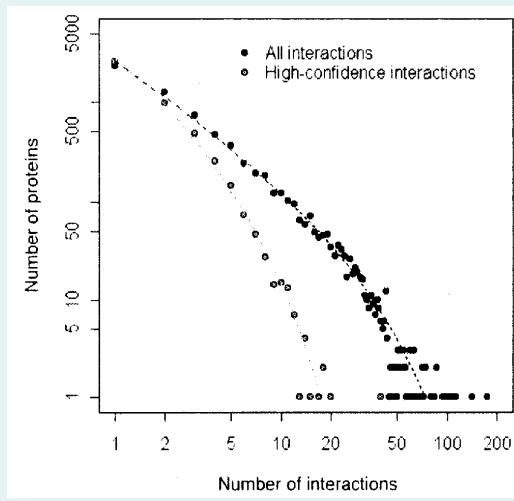
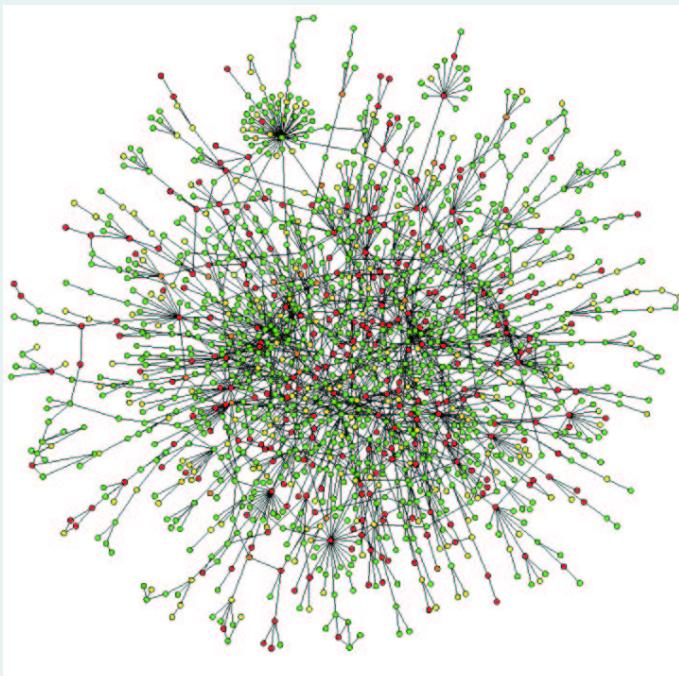


WWW routers:

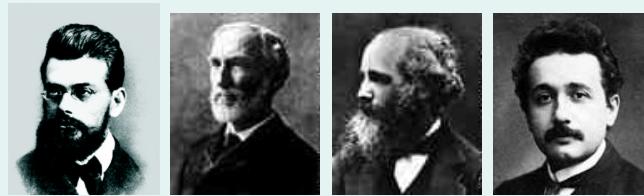


# Protein interaction networks

(yeast two-hybrid method)



# Theory of many-particle systems: 'statistical mechanics'



Objective (Baxter):

*'predict the relations between the observable macroscopic properties of the system, given only a knowledge of the microscopic forces between the components'*

- equilibrium ( $\pm 1870$ )

$$\text{Prob[state]} = \frac{e^{-E(\text{state})/kT}}{\sum_{\text{states}} e^{-E/kT}} \quad \begin{array}{ll} E : & \text{energy} \\ T : & \text{temperature} \end{array}$$

e.g.

molecules  $\rightarrow$  pressure/temp/volume phase diagrams, gas-liquid-solid transitions  
atomic electrons  $\rightarrow$  magnetism (ferro, anti-ferro, para)  
cells in suspensions  $\rightarrow$  blood rheology, visco-elastic properties

- non-equilibrium ( $\pm 1905$ )

- statistical mechanics of disordered (or complex) systems

$\pm 1975$ : systems with large connectivity  
 $\pm 1990$ : statics of systems with finite connectivity  
 $\pm 2002$ : dynamics of systems with finite connectivity

## Applicability of statistical mechanics – how large is large?

stat mech: finds macroscopic laws for  $N \rightarrow \infty$   
effects of finite  $N$  on macroscopic quantities:

- fluctuations around ‘infinite system’ values:  $\Delta x/x \sim 1/\sqrt{N}$
- ‘escape’ time from ‘infinite system’ trajectories:  $t_{\text{esc}} \sim e^N \tau$   
( $\tau$ : typical microscopic time scale)

Example:  $\tau \sim 10^{-15}$  sec,  $N = 1000$

$$\Delta x/x \sim 0.03, \quad t_{\text{esc}} \sim 10^{400} \text{ sec}$$

- **neural networks:**

$N \sim 10^4\text{-}10^8$ ,  $\langle k \rangle \sim 10^2\text{-}10^4$   
random (hippocampus) to regular (cerebellum)



- **immune networks:**

$N \sim 10^6\text{-}10^7$ ,  $\langle k \rangle \sim \text{small?}$   
narrow distribution  $P(k)$  ?



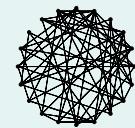
- **protein interaction networks:**

$N \sim 10^4$ ,  $\langle k \rangle \sim 2 - 7$  ?  
scale-free, complex ('hub' proteins, etc)



- **gene regulation networks:**

$N \sim 10^4$ ,  $\langle k \rangle \sim 1\text{-}10$ ?  
structure? complexity?



# ANALYSIS OF STOCHASTIC PROCESSES ON LARGE RANDOM NETWORKS

*state-of-the-art in statistical mechanics*

## Equilibrium methods

	asymmetric	partially symm	symmetric
$\langle k \rangle \sim N$	–	–	ok
$1 \ll \langle k \rangle \ll N$	–	–	ok
$\langle k \rangle \sim 1$	–	–	hard

## Dynamical methods

	asymmetric	partially symm	symmetric
$\langle k \rangle \sim N$	ok	hard	hard
$1 \ll \langle k \rangle \ll N$	ok	hard	hard
$\langle k \rangle \sim 1$	ok	–/hard	–/hard

*mundane definition of complexity, at the workfloor level ...  
(for those who study stochastic processes on networks)*

*Simple network:*

connectivity  $\langle k \rangle$  diverges as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

*Complex network:*

connectivity  $\langle k \rangle$  does not grow with  $N$

# The language of disordered systems theory

core problem: carrying out disorder averages  
of macroscopic ensemble averages



**replica trick/method**  
**(Hardy & Littlewood, 1934)**

statics: ±1975

dynamics: ±1993

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \sum_x f(x, \text{dis}) P(x|y, \text{dis}) \right\rangle_{\text{dis}} &= \left\langle \frac{\sum_x f(x, \text{dis}) P(x, y|\text{dis})}{\sum_x P(x, y|\text{dis})} \right\rangle_{\text{dis}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \left\langle \sum_x f(x, \text{dis}) P(x, y|\text{dis}) \left[ \sum_{x'} P(x', y|\text{dis}) \right]^{n-1} \right\rangle_{\text{dis}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_n} \langle f(x_1, \text{dis}) P(x_1, y|\text{dis}) \dots P(x_n, y|\text{dis}) \rangle_{\text{dis}} \end{aligned}$$

result mathematically equivalent to having  
 $n$  copies (replicas) of the system

- one disordered system →  $n$  coupled homogeneous systems
- new forces between pairs and quartets of elements
- however: at the end  $n \rightarrow 0$  !

## Dynamics: generating functional analysis

Interpret dynamics of  $N$ -particle system  $\{\sigma_1(t), \dots, \sigma_N(t)\}$  as a ‘path’ of a single particle in an  $N$ -dimensional ‘world’

target:

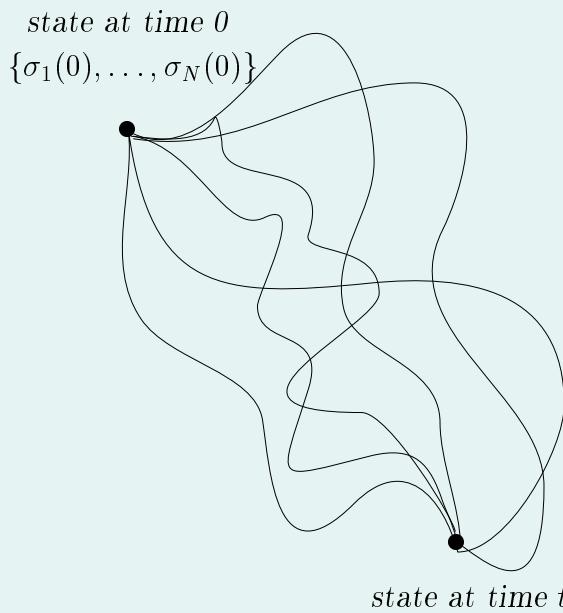
generating functional

$$\overline{\mathcal{Z}[\psi]} = \langle \langle e^{i \int_0^t ds \sum_{i=1}^N \psi_i(s) \sigma_i(s)} \rangle_{\text{paths}} \rangle_{\text{disorder}}$$

‘generates’ all relevant macroscopic multiple-time observables via (functional) differentiation

e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \langle \sigma_i(t) \rangle_{\text{paths}} \rangle_{\text{disorder}} &= -i \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta \overline{\mathcal{Z}[\psi]}}{\delta \psi_i(t)} \\ \langle \langle \sigma_i(t) \sigma_j(t') \rangle_{\text{paths}} \rangle_{\text{disorder}} &= - \lim_{\psi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta^2 \overline{\mathcal{Z}[\psi]}}{\delta \psi_i(t) \delta \psi_j(t')} \end{aligned}$$



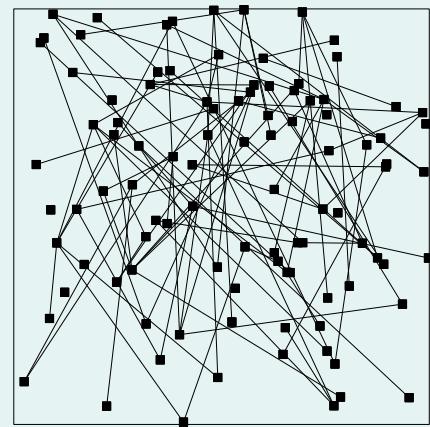
- theory involving ‘path-integrals’
- disordered system  $\rightarrow$  non-disordered ‘effective’ particle
- new forces: non-trivial noise, retarded self-interaction

## FINITE CONNECTIVITY STATICS

$N$  spins on random graph,  $c_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$

$$H = - \sum_{i < j} c_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j + \sum_i V(\sigma_i)$$

- $P(c_{ij}) = \frac{c}{N} \delta_{c_{ij},1} + (1 - \frac{c}{N}) \delta_{c_{ij},0}$ ,  $c = \mathcal{O}(N^0)$
- indep random bonds  $J_{ij}$
- disorder:  $\{c_{ij}, J_{ij}\}$



$N = 100, c = 2$

## Replica theory order parameters

Dependence on connectivity  $c$   
(average number of bonds/spin)

connectivity	variables	order param	RS ansatz
$c = N$	discrete	$\{q_{\alpha\beta}\}$	numbers, e.g. $q$
$c = N$	continuous	$\{q_{\alpha\beta}\}$	numbers, e.g. $q$
$1 \ll c \ll N$	discrete	$\{q_{\alpha\beta}\}$	numbers, e.g. $q$
$1 \ll c \ll N$	continuous	$\{q_{\alpha\beta}\}$	numbers, e.g. $q$
$c = \mathcal{O}(1)$	discrete	$P(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$	functions, $P(h)$
$c = \mathcal{O}(1)$	continuous	$P(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$	functionals, $W[\{P\}]$

## CASE STUDY – STATICS

$N$  Kuramoto-type oscillators,  
 $\phi_i \in [0, 2\pi]$ ,  $\phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N)$

$$H(\phi) = -J \sum_{i < j} c_{ij} \cos(\phi_i - \phi_j - \omega_{ij}), \quad J > 0$$

- network connectivity: random variables  $c_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$   
finite connectivity regime:  $k_i = \sum_j c_{ij} = \mathcal{O}(N^0)$   
degree distribution:  $p_k = N^{-1} \sum_i \delta_{k, k_i}$

$$P(c_{ij}) = \frac{c}{N} \delta_{c_{ij}, 1} + \left(1 - \frac{c}{N}\right) \delta_{c_{ij}, 0} \quad \text{for all } i < j$$

$$c = \mathcal{O}(N^0)$$

$$p_k = e^{-c} c^k / k! \quad \text{for } N \rightarrow \infty$$

- random interactions between oscillators:  $\omega_{ij} \in [0, 2\pi]$   
independently drawn from  $P(\omega)$ , with  $P(-\omega) = P(\omega)$   
e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{ij} = 0 &\rightarrow \text{synchronization of oscillators } (i, j) \\ \omega_{ij} = \pi &\rightarrow \text{antisynchronization of oscillators } (i, j) \end{aligned}$$

## Strategy

- calculate disorder-averaged free energy per oscillator

$$\overline{f} = - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (\beta N)^{-1} \overline{\log Z}, \quad Z = \int d\phi e^{-\beta H(\phi)}$$

$\overline{\dots}$ : average over  $\{c_{ij}, \omega_{ij}\}$

- use replica identity

$$\overline{\log Z} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} n^{-1} \log \overline{Z^n}$$

- evaluate  $\overline{Z^n}$  for integer  $n$ , in terms of  $n$  system copies, and evaluate disorder average first:

$$\overline{Z^n} = \int d\phi^1 \dots d\phi^n \overline{e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\phi^\alpha)}}$$

- In result:

exchange the limits  $N \rightarrow \infty$  and  $n \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{f} &= - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (\beta N)^{-1} \overline{\log Z} \\ &= - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (\beta N)^{-1} \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} n^{-1} \log \overline{Z^n} \\ &= - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (\beta N)^{-1} \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} n^{-1} \log \int d\phi^1 \dots d\phi^n \overline{e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\phi^\alpha)}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} n^{-1} \left\{ - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (\beta N)^{-1} \log \int d\phi^1 \dots d\phi^n \overline{e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\phi^\alpha)}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

## Replica calculation of the disorder-averaged free energy

*Disorder-averaged free energy per oscillator:*

$$\overline{f} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n} \left\{ - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta N} \log \int d\phi^1 \dots d\phi^n e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\phi^\alpha)} \right\}$$

*Disorder average:*

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\phi^\alpha)}} &= \prod_{i < j} \overline{e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha=1}^n c_{ij} \cos(\phi_i^\alpha - \phi_j^\alpha - \omega_{ij})}} \\ &= \exp \left\{ \frac{c}{2N} \sum_{ij} \left[ \int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \cos(\phi_i^\alpha - \phi_j^\alpha - \omega)} - 1 \right] + \mathcal{O}(N^0) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

*replica-order parameter:*

$$\phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n), \phi_i = (\phi_i^1, \dots, \phi_i^n)$$

$$P(\phi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \delta[\phi - \phi_i]$$

$$\overline{e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\phi^\alpha)}} = \exp \left\{ \frac{cN}{2} \int d\phi d\phi' P(\phi) P(\phi') \left[ \int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha} \cos(\phi_\alpha - \phi'_\alpha - \omega)} - 1 \right] + \mathcal{O}(N^0) \right\}$$

minor technicalities

- discretize domain  $[0, 2\pi]^n$  of  $\phi$
- insert appropriate functional  $\delta$ -distributions to isolate order parameter function  $P(\phi)$   
integral representations: conjugate functions  $\hat{P}(\phi)$
- take continuum limit for domain  $[0, 2\pi]^n$  of  $\phi$ ,  
gives path integral measure:

$$\prod_{\phi} [dP(\phi) d\hat{P}(\phi)/2\pi] = \{dP d\hat{P}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f} &= -\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta N n} \log \int \{dP d\hat{P}\} e^{iN \int d\phi P(\phi) \hat{P}(\phi) + N \log \int d\phi e^{-i\hat{P}(\phi)}} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left\{ \frac{cN}{2} \int d\phi d\phi' P(\phi) P(\phi') \left[ \int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha} \cos(\phi_{\alpha} - \phi'_{\alpha} - \omega)} - 1 \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$N \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f} &= -\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\beta n} \text{extr}_{\{P, \hat{P}\}} \left\{ i \int d\phi P(\phi) \hat{P}(\phi) + \log \int d\phi e^{-i\hat{P}(\phi)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} c \int d\phi d\phi' P(\phi) P(\phi') \left[ \int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha} \cos(\phi_{\alpha} - \phi'_{\alpha} - \omega)} - 1 \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

saddle-point eqns:

$$P(\phi) = \frac{e^{c \int d\phi' P(\phi') [\int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha} \cos(\phi_{\alpha} - \phi'_{\alpha} - \omega)} - 1]}}{\int d\phi' e^{c \int d\phi'' P(\phi'') [\int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \sum_{\alpha} \cos(\phi'_{\alpha} - \phi''_{\alpha} - \omega)} - 1]}}$$

## Replica symmetric theory

$$P(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \prod_{\alpha=1}^n \delta[\phi_\alpha - \phi_i^\alpha]$$

next:

limit  $n \rightarrow 0$  in saddle-point eqns

RS ansatz for continuous variables?

$$P_{\text{RS}}(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) = \int \{dP\} W[\{P\}] \prod_\alpha P(\phi_\alpha)$$

RS order parameter:

$$\text{functional measure } W[\{P\}]$$

interpretation:

$$\int \{dP\} W[\{P\}] \prod_\alpha \left[ \int d\phi P(\phi) f_\alpha(\phi) \right] = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \overline{\prod_\alpha \langle f_\alpha(\phi_i) \rangle}$$

RS saddle-point eqns:

$$\begin{aligned} W[\{P\}] &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{e^{-c} c^k}{k!} \int \prod_{\ell \leq k} [\{dP_\ell\} W[\{P_\ell\}] d\omega_\ell P(\omega_\ell)] \\ &\times \prod_{\phi \in [0, 2\pi]} \delta \left[ P(\phi) - \frac{\prod_{\ell=1}^k \int d\phi' P_\ell(\phi') e^{\beta J \cos(\phi - \phi' - \omega_\ell)}}{\int d\phi'' \prod_{\ell=1}^k \int d\phi' P_\ell(\phi') e^{\beta J \cos(\phi'' - \phi' - \omega_\ell)}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

## PHASE DIAGRAMS

bifurcation analysis  
of order parameter eqn:

$$W[\{P\}] = \sum_{k \geq 0} p_k \int \prod_{\ell \leq k} [\{dP_\ell\}] W[\{P_\ell\}] d\omega_\ell P(\omega_\ell)$$

$$\times \prod_{\phi \in [0, 2\pi]} \delta \left[ P(\phi) - \frac{\prod_{\ell=1}^k \int d\phi' P_\ell(\phi') e^{\beta J \cos(\phi - \phi' - \omega_\ell)}}{\int d\phi'' \prod_{\ell=1}^k \int d\phi' P_\ell(\phi') e^{\beta J \cos(\phi'' - \phi' - \omega_\ell)}} \right]$$

$\beta = 0$ :

$$\text{paramagnetic state : } W[\{P\}] = \prod_{\phi \in [0, 2\pi]} \delta \left[ P(\phi) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \right]$$

## phase transitions

Continuous bifurcations away from paramagnetic state  
located by Guzai (i.e. functional moment) expansion

- transform:

$$P(\phi) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} + \Delta(\phi), \quad \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \Delta(\phi) = 0, \quad W[\{P\}] \rightarrow \tilde{W}[\{\Delta\}]$$

- expand saddle-point eqns  
in functional moments

$$\int \{d\Delta\} \tilde{W}[\{\Delta\}] \Delta(\phi_1) \dots \Delta(\phi_r)$$

- assume: close to continuous bifurcation

$\exists \epsilon \ll 1$  such that

$$\int \{d\Delta\} \tilde{W}[\{\Delta\}] \Delta(\phi_1) \dots \Delta(\phi_r) = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^r)$$

## Lowest order bifurcation $\epsilon^1$

$$\Psi(\phi) = \frac{c}{2\pi I_0(\beta J)} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi' \int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \cos(\phi - \phi' - \omega)} \Psi(\phi') \quad \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \Psi(\phi) = 0$$

$$c = \sum_k p_k k$$

$I_k(z)$ : modified Bessel functions

- solution: Fourier modes  $\Psi(\phi) = e^{ik\phi}$   
transition:

$$c = \min_{k>0} \left\{ \frac{I_k(\beta J)}{I_0(\beta J)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\omega P(\omega) \cos(k\omega) \right\}^{-1}$$

- bifurcating state:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \overline{\langle \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\phi_i) \\ \sin(\phi_i) \end{pmatrix} \rangle} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon \delta_{k1} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\lambda) \\ \sin(\lambda) \end{pmatrix} + \dots$$

- $k = 1$ : global synchronization

$k > 1$ : no global synchronization

$$\begin{aligned} P \rightarrow F : \quad c &= \left\{ \frac{I_1(\beta J)}{I_0(\beta J)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\omega P(\omega) \cos(\omega) \right\}^{-1} \\ KT : \quad c &= \min_{k>1} \left\{ \frac{I_k(\beta J)}{I_0(\beta J)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\omega P(\omega) \cos(k\omega) \right\}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

## Lowest order bifurcation $\epsilon^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(\phi_1, \phi_2) &= c \int \frac{d\phi'_1 d\phi'_2}{[2\pi I_0(\beta J)]^2} \left[ \int d\omega P(\omega) e^{\beta J \cos(\phi_1 - \phi'_1 - \omega) + \beta J \cos(\phi_2 - \phi'_2 - \omega)} \right] \Psi(\phi'_1, \phi'_2) \\ &\int d\phi_1 \Psi(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \int d\phi_2 \Psi(\phi_1, \phi_2) = 0\end{aligned}$$

- solution: Fourier modes  $\Psi(\phi_1, \phi_2) = e^{i(k_1 \phi_1 + k_2 \phi_2)}$

transition:

$$c = \min_{k_1 \neq 0, k_2 \neq 0} \left\{ \frac{I_{k_1}(\beta J) I_{k_2}(\beta J)}{I_0^2(\beta J)} \int d\omega P(\omega) \cos[(k_1 + k_2)\omega] \right\}^{-1}$$

min:  $k_1 = -k_2 = 1$

$$P \rightarrow SG : \quad c = I_0^2(\beta J) / I_1^2(\beta J)$$

- bifurcating state: no global synchronization, yet

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \left[ \overline{\langle \cos(\phi_i) \rangle^2} + \overline{\langle \sin(\phi_i) \rangle^2} \right] > 0$$

- $P \rightarrow SG$  bifurcation precedes  $P \rightarrow KT$   
physical transitions away from  $P$ :  $P \rightarrow F, P \rightarrow SG$

## Phase diagrams

phases:

P: paramagnetic state, no freezing of oscillator phases

F: synchronized state, coherent oscillations

SG: spin-glass state, frozen relative phases but incoherent

transitions:

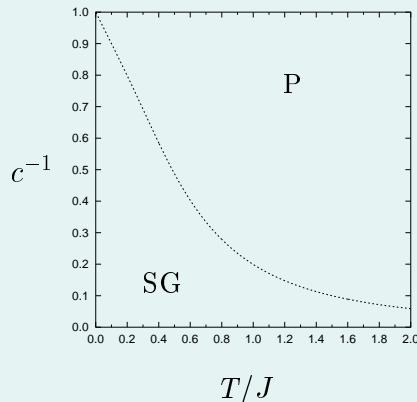
$$P \rightarrow F : \quad c^{-1} = [I_1(\beta J)/I_0(\beta J)] \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\omega \ P(\omega) \cos(\omega)$$

$$P \rightarrow SG : \quad c^{-1} = [I_1(\beta J)/I_0(\beta J)]^2$$

F → SG : cannot yet calculate, Parisi–Toulouse hypothesis ?

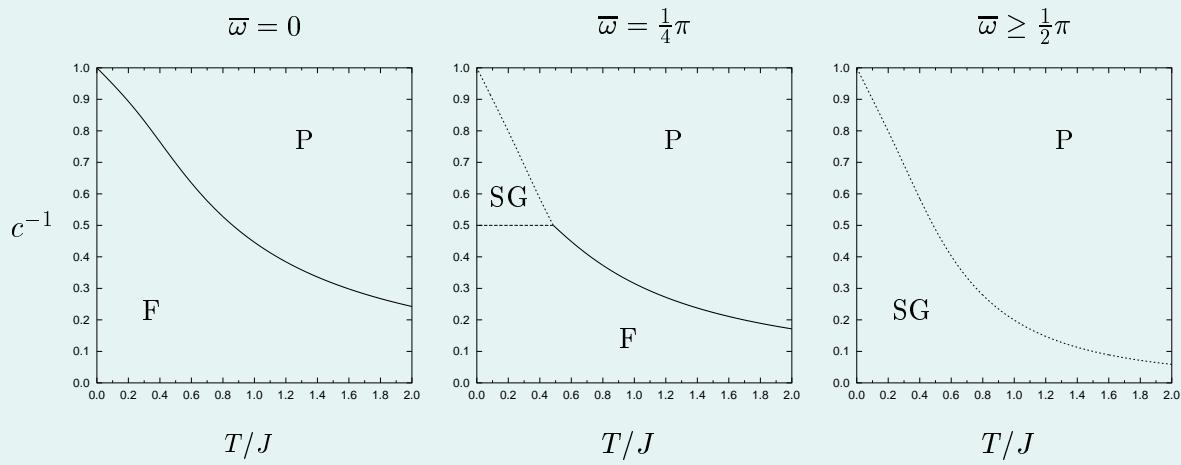
Example:

$$P(\omega) = 1/2\pi$$



Example:

$$P(\omega) = \frac{1}{2}\delta(\omega - \bar{\omega}) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(\omega + \bar{\omega})$$



## THEORY VERSUS SIMULATIONS

Numerical solution of order parameter equations  
(via truncated parametrizations) versus simulations

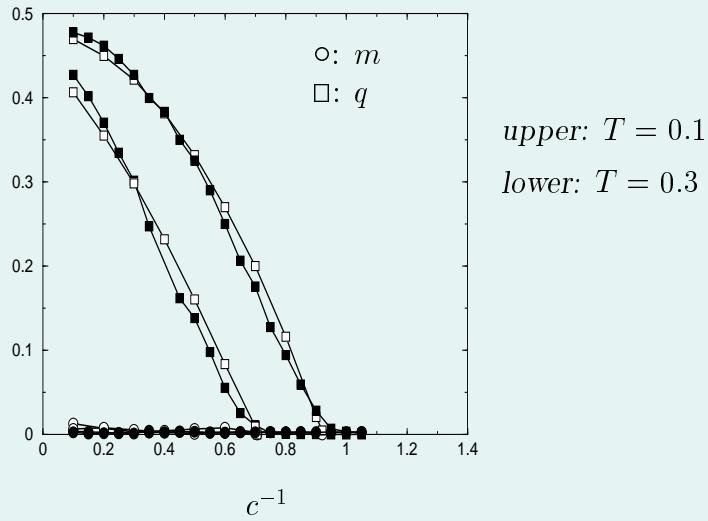
$$m^2 = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \overline{\langle \cos(\phi_i) \rangle} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \overline{\langle \sin(\phi_i) \rangle} \right]^2$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_i \left[ \overline{\langle \cos(\phi_i) \rangle^2} + \overline{\langle \sin(\phi_i) \rangle^2} \right]$$

P :	$q = m = 0$
F :	$q > 0, m > 0$
SG :	$q > 0, m = 0$

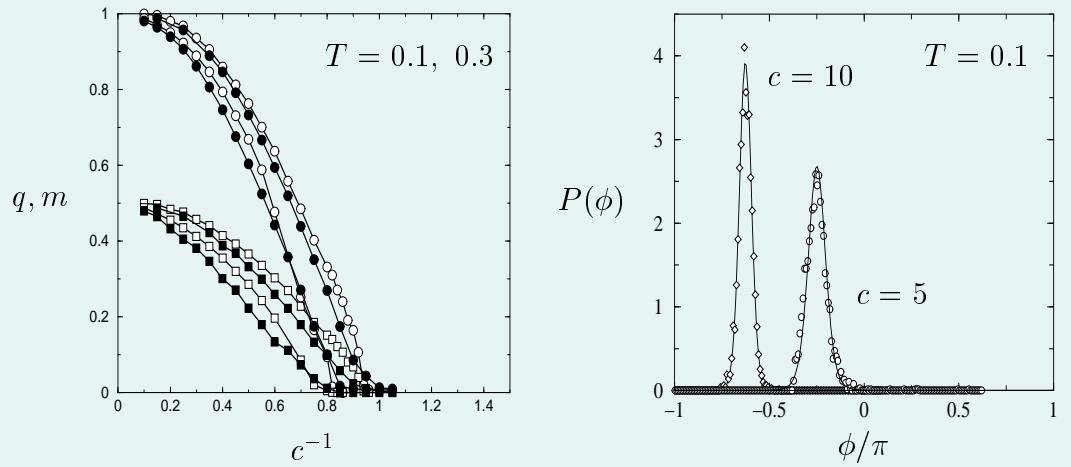
Example:

$$P(\omega) = 1/2\pi$$



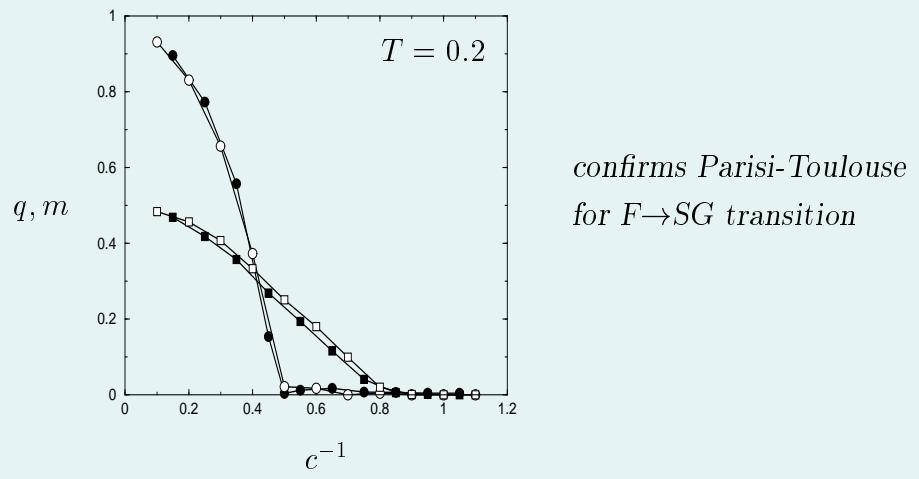
Example:

$$P(\omega) = \delta(\omega)$$



Example:

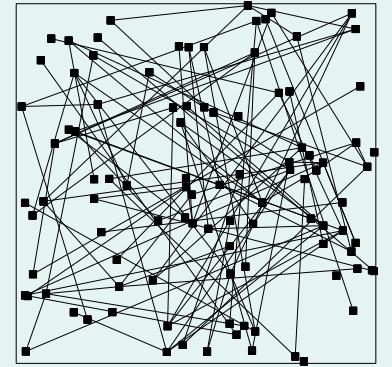
$$P(\omega) = \frac{1}{2}\delta(\omega - \frac{\pi}{4}) + \frac{1}{2}\delta(\omega + \frac{\pi}{4})$$



## Example: attractor neural networks on scale-free graphs

neurons:  $\sigma_i \in \{-1, 1\}$

$$H = - \sum_{i < j} \sigma_i c_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_j, \quad J_{ij} = \frac{1}{\langle k \rangle} \phi \left( \sum_{\mu=1}^p \xi_i^\mu \xi_j^\mu \right)$$



$p$  stored patterns:  $(\xi_1^\mu, \dots, \xi_N^\mu)$

$$\phi(-x) = -\phi(x), \quad \phi(1) = 1$$

e.g. Hopfield model on graph:  $\phi(x) = x$

random graph:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{c}) &= \frac{\left[ \prod_{i < j} \mathcal{P}(c_{ij}) \delta_{c_{ij}, c_{ji}} \right] \left[ \prod_i \delta_{k_i, \sum_{j \neq i} c_{ij}} \right]}{\sum \mathbf{c}' \left[ \prod_{i < j} \mathcal{P}(c'_{ij}) \delta_{c'_{ij}, c'_{ji}} \right] \left[ \prod_i \delta_{k_i, \sum_{j \neq i} c'_{ij}} \right]} \\ \mathcal{P}(c_{ij}) &= \frac{\langle k \rangle}{N} \delta_{c_{ij}, 1} + \left(1 - \frac{\langle k \rangle}{N}\right) \delta_{c_{ij}, 0} \end{aligned}$$

degree distribution:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \delta_{k, k_i} = P(k)$$

## Phase diagram

based on finite connectivity RS replica theory  
& sublattice partitioning (for random patterns)

$$P \rightarrow R : \frac{\langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle}{\langle k \rangle} 2^{-p} \sum_{n=0}^p \binom{p}{n} \left(1 - \frac{2n}{p}\right) \tanh \left[ \frac{\beta \phi(p-2n)}{\langle k \rangle} \right] = 1$$

$$P \rightarrow SG : \frac{\langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle}{\langle k \rangle} 2^{-p} \sum_{n=0}^p \binom{p}{n} \tanh^2 \left[ \frac{\beta \phi(p-2n)}{\langle k \rangle} \right] = 1$$

## Noise resilience of scale-free networks

Single pattern retrieval phase boundary:

$$\beta_{\text{crit}} = -\frac{\langle k \rangle}{2} \log \left(1 - \frac{2\langle k \rangle}{\langle k^2 \rangle}\right)$$

- simple Poissonian network  $P(k) = e^{-c} c^k / k!$ :  
 $\langle k \rangle = c, \quad \langle k^2 \rangle = c^2 + c$

$$T_{\text{crit}} = \frac{1}{2} c \log \left( \frac{c+1}{c-1} \right) \quad \begin{array}{ll} c = 1 : & T_{\text{crit}} = 0 \\ c = 2 : & T_{\text{crit}} = 1/\log 3 \\ c \rightarrow \infty : & T_{\text{crit}} = 1 \end{array}$$

- scale-free network  $P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma}, \quad \gamma > 2$ :  
if  $\gamma \leq 3$ :  $\langle k^2 \rangle = \infty$

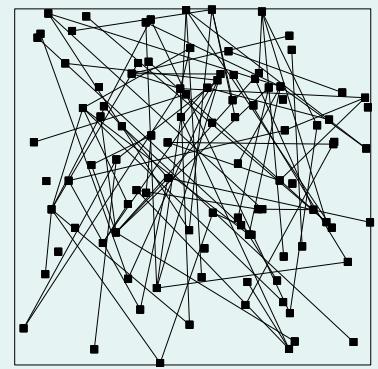
$T_{\text{crit}} = \infty$ , order at any noise level, for any  $c > 0$  !

## Example: parallel dynamics on finitely connected random graphs

finitely connected Ising model with parallel stochastic dynamics:

$$p_{t+1}(\sigma) = \sum_{\sigma'} W_t[\sigma; \sigma'] p_t(\sigma')$$

$$W_t[\sigma; \sigma'] = \prod_i \frac{e^{\beta \sigma_i h_i(\sigma'; t)}}{2 \cosh[\beta h_i(\sigma'; t)]}$$



local fields:

$$h_i(\sigma; t) = \sum_{j \neq i} c_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_j + \theta(t)$$

controlled symmetry:

$$\begin{aligned} i < j : & \quad \text{Prob}(c_{ij}) = W(c_{ij}) \\ i > j : & \quad \text{Prob}(c_{ij}) = \epsilon_1 \delta_{c_{ij}, c_{ji}} + (1 - \epsilon_1) W(c_{ij}) \\ i < j : & \quad \text{Prob}(J_{ij}) = P(J_{ij}) \\ i > j : & \quad \text{Prob}(J_{ij}) = \epsilon_2 \delta[J_{ij} - J_{ji}] + (1 - \epsilon_2) P(J_{ij}) \\ W(x) &= \frac{c}{N} \delta_{x,1} + (1 - \frac{c}{N}) \delta_{x,0} \quad c = \mathcal{O}(N^0) \end{aligned}$$

detailed balance & equil stat mech:

$$\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 1$$

## effective single spin problem

$P(\boldsymbol{\sigma}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$ : fraction of sites  $i$  which exhibit  
 a single spin path  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma(0), \sigma(1), \sigma(2), \dots)$   
 given a field path  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta(0), \theta(1), \theta(2), \dots)$

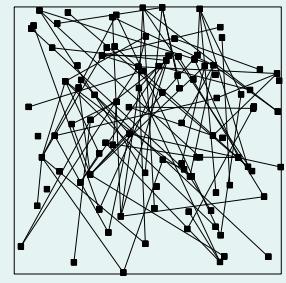
$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\boldsymbol{\sigma}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= p_0(\sigma(0))e^{-c} \left\{ \prod_t \left[ \frac{e^{\beta\sigma(t+1)\theta(t)}}{2\cosh[\beta\theta(t)]} \right] + \sum_{k>0} \frac{c^k}{k!} \int dJ_1 P(J_1) \dots dJ_k P(J_k) \sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}'_1 \dots \boldsymbol{\sigma}'_k} \right. \\
 &\quad \times \prod_{\ell=1}^k \left[ (1-\epsilon_1)P(\boldsymbol{\sigma}'_\ell | \mathbf{0}) + \epsilon_1 [\epsilon_2 P(\boldsymbol{\sigma}'_\ell | J_\ell \boldsymbol{\sigma}) + (1-\epsilon_2) \langle P(\boldsymbol{\sigma}'_\ell | J' \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \rangle_{J'}] \right] \\
 &\quad \left. \times \prod_t \frac{e^{\beta\sigma(t+1)[\theta(t) + \sum_{\ell \leq k} J_\ell \sigma'_\ell(t)]}}{2\cosh[\beta[\theta(t) + \sum_{\ell \leq k} J_\ell \sigma'_\ell(t)]]} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\epsilon_1 \in [0, 1]$ : graph symmetry

$\epsilon_2 \in [0, 1]$ : bond value symmetry

## DYNAMICS

## DYNAMICAL REPLICA METHOD



$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} p_t(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) &= \sum_{k=1}^N [p_t(F_k \boldsymbol{\sigma}) w_k(F_k \boldsymbol{\sigma}) - p_t(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) w_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma})] \\
 F_k \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= (\sigma_1, \dots, -\sigma_k, \dots, \sigma_N) \\
 w_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) &= \frac{1}{2} \{1 - \sigma_k \tanh[\beta h_k(\boldsymbol{\sigma})]\} \quad h_i(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \sum_{j \neq i} c_{ij} J_{ij} s_j + \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

macroscopic variables:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{average activity} \quad m(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) &= N^{-1} \sum_i s_i \\
 \text{and internal energy} \quad e(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) &= N^{-1} \sum_{i < j} c_{ij} J_{ij} s_i s_j
 \end{aligned}$$

exact macroscopic laws:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} m &= -m + \int dh D_t(h|m, e) \tanh(\beta h) \\
 \frac{d}{dt} e &= -2e - \int dh D_t(h|m, e) h \tanh(\beta h)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D_t(h|m, e) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} p_t(\boldsymbol{\sigma}|m, e) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta[h - h_i(\boldsymbol{\sigma})] \right\rangle_{\text{disorder}}$$

dynamical replica method:

- assume macroscopic laws are self-averaging
- approximate in macroscopic laws:  $p_t(\boldsymbol{\sigma}|m, e) \rightarrow p(\boldsymbol{\sigma}|m, e)$   
(maximum entropy)
- use replica identity for graph & bond disorder averages

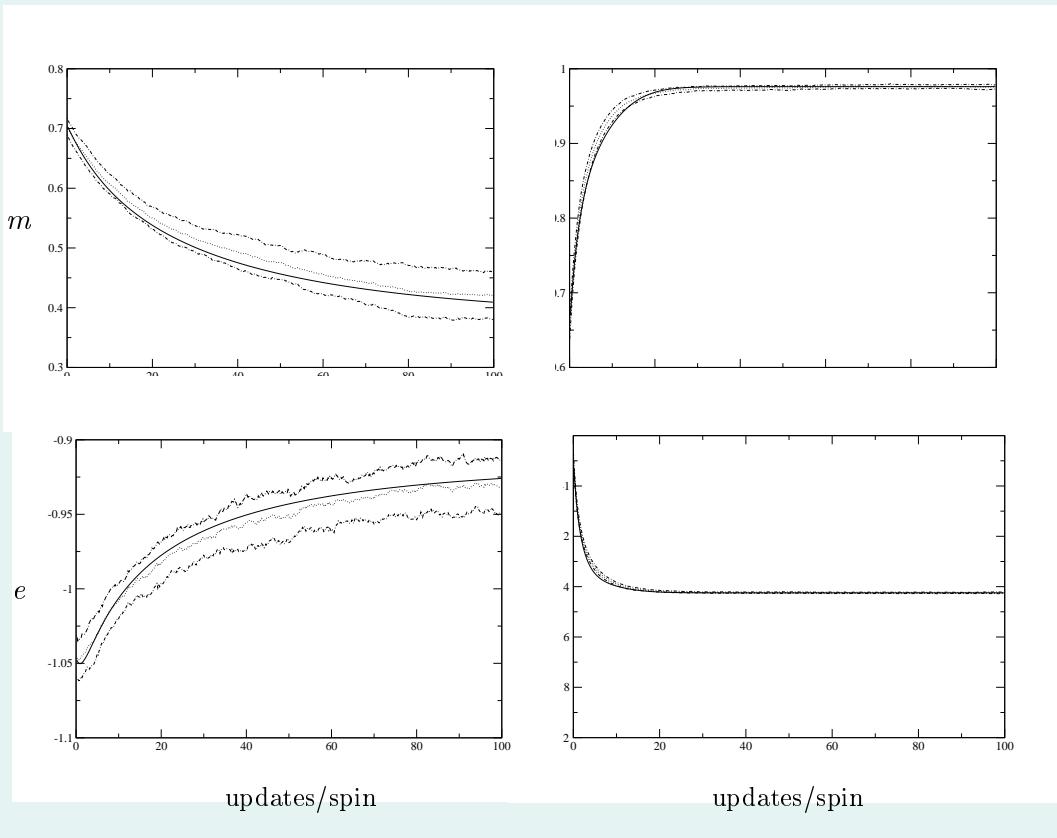
resulting closed laws:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}m &= -m + \int dh D(h|m, e) \tanh(\beta h) \\ \frac{d}{dt}e &= -2e - \int dh D(h|m, e) h \tanh(\beta h)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}D(h|m, e) &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left\langle \sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} p(\boldsymbol{\sigma}|m, e) \delta[h - h_i(\boldsymbol{\sigma})] \right\rangle_{\text{disorder}} \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left\langle \frac{\sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \delta[m - m(\boldsymbol{\sigma})] \delta[e - e(\boldsymbol{\sigma})] \delta[h - h_i(\boldsymbol{\sigma})]}{\sum_{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \delta[m - m(\boldsymbol{\sigma})] \delta[e - e(\boldsymbol{\sigma})]} \right\rangle_{\text{disorder}}\end{aligned}$$

## random bonds, uniform degrees

$$P(k) = \delta_{k,3} \quad Q(J) = \eta\delta(J-1) + (1-\eta)\delta(J+1)$$

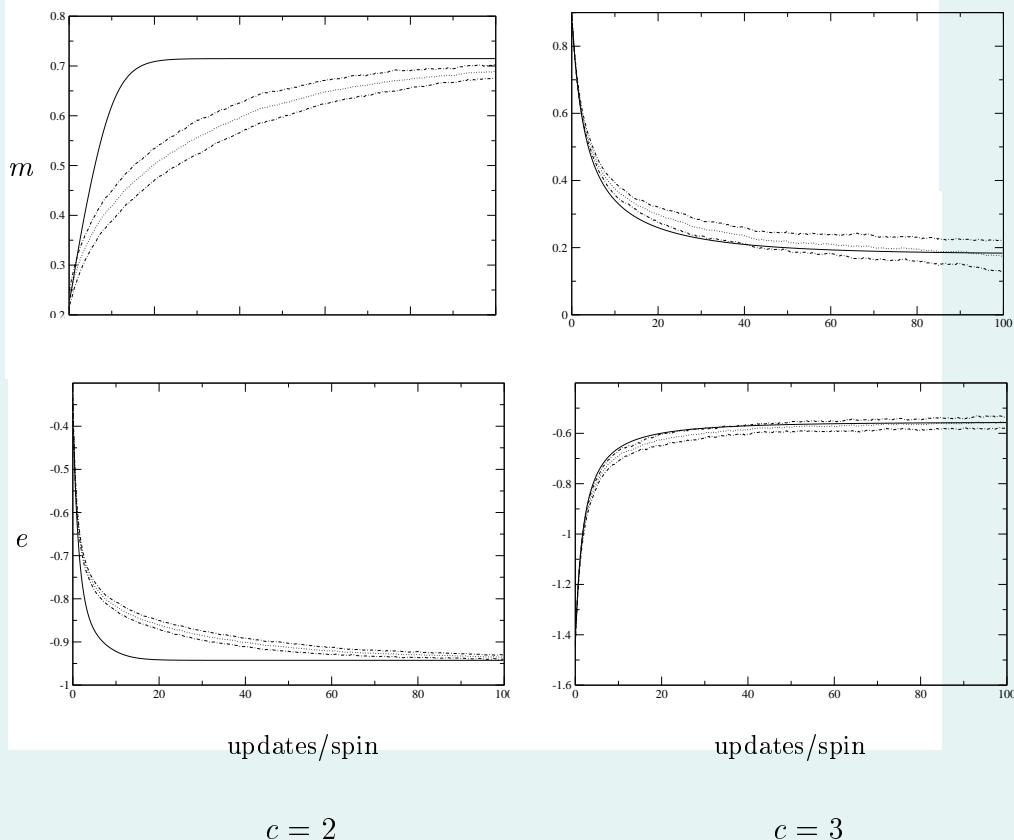


$\eta = 0.95, \beta = 0.65$

$\eta = 0.97, \beta = 1.2$

# Poissonian random degrees, uniform bonds

$$P(k) = e^{-c} c^k / k!$$



updates/spin

updates/spin

$c = 2$

$c = 3$

## SUMMARY

- *In biology one finds many instances of process control by large random and/or complex interaction networks*  
(e.g. neural networks, immune networks, protein networks, gene regulation networks, ...)
- Except perhaps for neural networks, most such networks are of the finite connectivity type.  
(large number  $N$  of nodes, finite number of links  $k_i$  per node)
- In the mathematical analysis of stochastic processes on random and/or complex networks the regime of finite connectivity is the most demanding
- The latter regime is one of increased research activity in disordered systems theory. We are now beginning to acquire the necessary mathematical tools to solve both statics and dynamics.
  - equilibrium replica theory
  - cavity techniques
  - diagonalization of replicated transfer matrices
  - generating functional analysis
  - dynamical replica theory



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