

Modelling of Complex Real-World Systems

Part C. Applications in Physics

C1. Spin Glasses

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Spin Glasses

Magnetic materials

$N \sim 10^{24}$ interacting
atomic magnetic moments (spins),

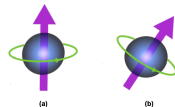
stochastic dynamics
with detailed balance

$$H = - \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j - \vec{H} \cdot \sum_i \vec{S}_i$$

if temperature T low (H-theorem!):
go to state with *low energy* H

$J_{ij} > 0$: interactions prefer $\vec{S}_i = \vec{S}_j$
(ferromagnetic order)

$J_{ij} < 0$: interactions prefer $\vec{S}_i = -\vec{S}_j$
(anti-ferromagnetic order)



Ferromagnetic 	Below T_C , spins are aligned parallel in magnetic domains
Antiferromagnetic 	Below T_N , spins are aligned antiparallel in magnetic domains
Ferrimagnetic 	Below T_C , spins are aligned antiparallel but do not cancel
Paramagnetic 	Spins are randomly oriented (any of the others above T_C or T_N)

Spin glasses

alloys of conducting host metal with magnetic impurities in random locations (CuMn, AuFe, ...)

resulting 'RKKY' interactions J_{ij} :
oscillate with distance between $\vec{S}_i$ and $\vec{S}_j$

- result: frustration

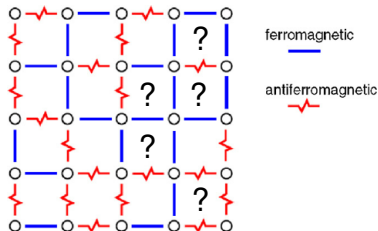
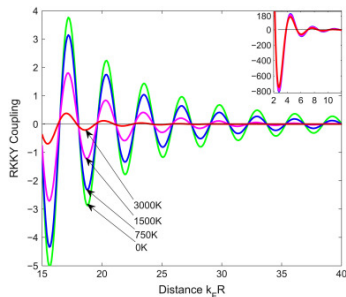
impossible to achieve

$$\vec{S}_i = \text{sgn}(J_{ij}) \vec{S}_j \text{ everywhere ...}$$

- many local minima of energy

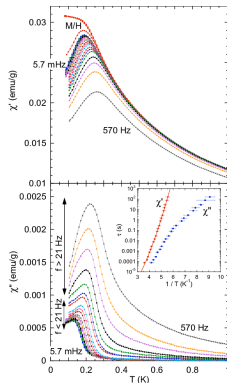
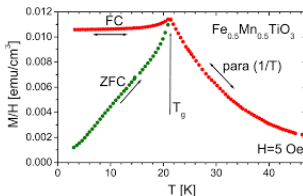
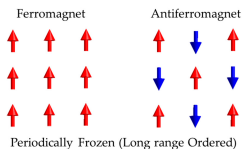
$$H = - \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

- very slow & complex dynamics, system remembers earlier states ('ageing')



- clear evidence for phase transitions but not visible in

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle \dots$$



ferromagnetic order :

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle \neq \mathbf{0}, \quad q = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle^2 > 0$$

no order :

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle = \mathbf{0}, \quad q = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle^2 = 0$$

spin glass order :

$$\vec{m} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle = \mathbf{0}, \quad q = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle \vec{S}_i \rangle^2 > 0$$

Spin glass models

common simplifications	desired features
Ising spins: $\sigma_i = \pm 1$	large T : P phase, $m=0, q=0$
$H = -\sum_{i<j} J_{ij}\sigma_i\sigma_j - h\sum_i \sigma_i$	large h : F phase, $m \neq 0, q > 0$
$m = N^{-1} \sum_i \langle \sigma_i \rangle, q = N^{-1} \sum_i \langle \sigma_i \rangle^2$	small $T, h=0$: SG phase, $m=0, q > 0$
random bonds, $J_{ij} > 0$ and $J_{ij} < 0$	T small: slow dynamics, ageing
long range, no lattice	T small: many locally stable states

- Sherrington-Kirkpatrick model (1975):

$$J_{ij} = \frac{J_0}{N} + \frac{J}{\sqrt{N}} z_{ij}, \quad z_{ij} : \frac{1}{2} N(N-1) \text{ i.i.d.r.v.}, \quad p(z) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

- Van Hemmen model (1983):
(no slow dynamics, no ageing ...)

$$J_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} (\xi_i \eta_j + \eta_i \xi_j), \quad \xi_i, \eta_i : 2N \text{ i.i.d.r.v.}, \quad p(\xi) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\xi^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \quad p(\eta) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\eta^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

- Droplet model (Fisher & Huse, 1986):
very different setup, will not discuss here ...

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Sherrington Kirkpatrick model

Equilibrium solution using replicas

$$Dz = (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-z^2/2} dz$$

$$\int Dz e^{xz} = e^{\frac{1}{2}x^2}$$

$$\sigma \in \{-1, 1\}^N, \quad H(\sigma) = - \sum_{i < j} \left(\frac{J_0}{N} + \frac{J}{\sqrt{N}} z_{ij} \right) \sigma_i \sigma_j - h \sum_i \sigma_i$$

• disorder-averaged free energy density

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f}_N &= - \frac{1}{\beta N} \log \left[\overline{\sum_{\sigma} e^{-\beta H(\sigma)}} \right] = - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \left[\overline{\sum_{\sigma} e^{-\beta H(\sigma)}}^n \right] \\ &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \left[\sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} \overline{e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\sigma^\alpha)}} \right] \\ &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \left[\sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{\frac{\beta J_0}{N} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha} + \beta h \sum_i \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha}} \overline{e^{\frac{\beta J}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i < j} z_{ij} \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha}}} \right] \\ &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \left[\sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{\frac{\beta J_0}{N} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha} + \beta h \sum_i \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha}} \prod_{i < j} e^{\frac{(\beta J)^2}{2N} (\sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha})^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

- rewrite to identify order parameters

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{f}_N &= -\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \left\{ \sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{\frac{\beta J_0}{2N} \sum_{ij} \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha} + \beta h \sum_i \sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} + \frac{(\beta J)^2}{4N} \sum_{ij} (\sum_{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_j^{\alpha})^2} \right\} \\ &\quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \left(\frac{1}{2} n\beta J_0 + \frac{1}{4} n^2 (\beta J)^2 \right) \\ &= -\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \left\{ \sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{N \left[\frac{1}{2} \beta J_0 \sum_{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha} \right)^2 + \beta h \sum_{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha} \right) + \frac{(\beta J)^2}{4} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\beta} \right)^2 \right]} \right\} \\ &\quad + \mathcal{O}(N^{-1})\end{aligned}$$

- insert for all $\alpha, \beta = 1 \dots n$:

$$1 = \int dm_{\alpha} \delta \left[m_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha} \right] = \int \frac{d\mathbf{m}_{\alpha} d\hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\alpha}}{2\pi/N} e^{iN\hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\alpha} [m_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha}]}$$

$$1 = \int dq_{\alpha\beta} \delta \left[q_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\beta} \right] = \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}_{\alpha\beta} d\hat{\mathbf{q}}_{\alpha\beta}}{2\pi/N} e^{iN\hat{\mathbf{q}}_{\alpha\beta} [q_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sigma_i^{\alpha} \sigma_i^{\beta}]}$$

short-hands: $\mathbf{m} = \{m_{\alpha}\}$, $\hat{\mathbf{m}} = \{\hat{m}_{\alpha}\}$, n -dim vectors

$\mathbf{q} = \{q_{\alpha\beta}\}$, $\hat{\mathbf{q}} = \{\hat{q}_{\alpha\beta}\}$, $n \times n$ matrices

- swap order of limits $n \rightarrow 0$ and $N \rightarrow \infty$,
work towards steepest descent expression

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \bar{f}_N &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \int d\mathbf{q} d\mathbf{m} d\hat{\mathbf{q}} d\hat{\mathbf{m}} \sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{-i \sum_i \sum_\alpha \hat{m}_\alpha \sigma_i^\alpha - i \sum_i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} \sigma_i^\alpha \sigma_i^\beta} \\
 &\quad \times e^{N \left[i \sum_\alpha \hat{m}_\alpha m_\alpha + i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{2} \beta J_0 \sum_\alpha m_\alpha^2 + \beta h \sum_\alpha m_\alpha + \frac{(\beta J)^2}{4} \sum_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta}^2 \right]} \\
 &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \int d\mathbf{q} d\mathbf{m} d\hat{\mathbf{q}} d\hat{\mathbf{m}} \left(\sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{-i \sum_\alpha \hat{m}_\alpha \sigma^\alpha - i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} \sigma^\alpha \sigma^\beta} \right)^N \\
 &\quad \times e^{N \left[i \sum_\alpha \hat{m}_\alpha m_\alpha + i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{2} \beta J_0 \sum_\alpha m_\alpha^2 + \beta h \sum_\alpha m_\alpha + \frac{(\beta J)^2}{4} \sum_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta}^2 \right]} \\
 &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n\beta N} \log \int d\mathbf{q} d\mathbf{m} d\hat{\mathbf{q}} d\hat{\mathbf{m}} e^{N\Psi[\mathbf{m}, \hat{\mathbf{m}}, \mathbf{q}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}]} \\
 &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n\beta} \text{extr}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{q}, \hat{\mathbf{m}}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}} \Psi[\mathbf{m}, \hat{\mathbf{m}}, \mathbf{q}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Psi[\mathbf{m}, \hat{\mathbf{m}}, \mathbf{q}, \hat{\mathbf{q}}] &= i \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \hat{m}_\alpha m_\alpha + i \sum_{\alpha\beta=1}^n \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta} + \beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{2} J_0 m_\alpha^2 + h m_\alpha \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{4} (\beta J)^2 \sum_{\alpha\beta=1}^n q_{\alpha\beta}^2 + \log \left(\sum_{\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n} e^{-i \sum_\alpha \hat{m}_\alpha \sigma^\alpha - i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} \sigma^\alpha \sigma^\beta} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Analysis of replica saddle point equations

new notation: $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$

$$\Psi[\dots] = i \sum_{\alpha} \hat{m}_{\alpha} m_{\alpha} + i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \hat{q}_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta} + \beta \sum_{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{2} J_0 m_{\alpha}^2 + h m_{\alpha} \right) + \frac{1}{4} (\beta J)^2 \sum_{\alpha\beta} q_{\alpha\beta}^2 + \log \sum_{\sigma} e^{-i\hat{m} \cdot \sigma - i\sigma \cdot \hat{q} \sigma}$$

- saddle point eqns

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial m_{\alpha}} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial q_{\alpha\gamma}} = 0 : \quad \beta J_0 m_{\alpha} + \beta h + i \hat{m}_{\alpha} = 0, \quad \frac{1}{2} (\beta J)^2 q_{\alpha\gamma} + i \hat{q}_{\alpha\gamma} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \hat{m}_{\alpha}} = 0 : \quad i m_{\alpha} - i \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} e^{-i\hat{m} \cdot \sigma - i\sigma \cdot \hat{q} \sigma}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{-i\hat{m} \cdot \sigma - i\sigma \cdot \hat{q} \sigma}} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \hat{q}_{\alpha\gamma}} = 0 : \quad i q_{\alpha\gamma} - i \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} e^{-i\hat{m} \cdot \sigma - i\sigma \cdot \hat{q} \sigma}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{-i\hat{m} \cdot \sigma - i\sigma \cdot \hat{q} \sigma}} = 0$$

- eliminate $\hat{m}, \hat{q}$

$$m_{\alpha} = \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} e^{\beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} (\beta J)^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} q_{\lambda\zeta} \sigma_{\zeta}}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{\beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} (\beta J)^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} q_{\lambda\zeta} \sigma_{\zeta}}}$$

$$q_{\alpha\gamma} = \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} e^{\beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} (\beta J)^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} q_{\lambda\zeta} \sigma_{\zeta}}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{\beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} (\beta J)^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} q_{\lambda\zeta} \sigma_{\zeta}}}$$

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Replica symmetry

Intuition for the form of the solution

- for all (α, β) : $q_{\alpha\alpha} = 1$, $q_{\alpha\beta} = q_{\beta\alpha}$

- $\beta=0$,
infinite noise $m_\alpha = \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} e^0}{\sum_{\sigma} e^0} = 0$, $q_{\alpha\gamma} = \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} e^0}{\sum_{\sigma} e^0} = \delta_{\alpha\gamma}$

- $0 < \beta \ll 1$, high noise,
equation for m_α :

$$\begin{aligned} m_\alpha &= \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \left[1 + \beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \right]}{\sum_{\sigma} \left[1 + \beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \right]} \\ &= \frac{\beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\lambda} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2)}{2^n + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2)} = \beta (J_0 m_{\alpha} + h) + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \end{aligned}$$

so: $m_\alpha = \beta h + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2)$ for all α

- $0 < \beta \ll 1$, high noise,
equation for $q_{\alpha\gamma}$, $\alpha \neq \gamma$:

$$q_{\alpha\gamma} = \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} \left[1 + \beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \right]}{\sum_{\sigma} \left[1 + \beta \sum_{\lambda} (J_0 m_{\lambda} + h) \sigma_{\lambda} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \right]} = \delta_{\alpha\gamma} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2)$$

need $\mathcal{O}(\beta^3) \dots$

next order, use $m_{\alpha} = \beta h + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} q_{\alpha\gamma} &= \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}(\beta h)^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} q_{\lambda\zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^3) \right]}{\sum_{\sigma} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}n(\beta h)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\beta^3) \right]} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} (h^2 + J^2 q_{\lambda\zeta}) 2^{-n} \sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta} + \mathcal{O}(\beta^3) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} (h^2 + J^2 q_{\lambda\zeta}) (\delta_{\alpha\lambda} \delta_{\gamma\zeta} + \delta_{\alpha\zeta} \delta_{\gamma\lambda}) + \mathcal{O}(\beta^3) \\ &= \beta^2 (h^2 + J^2 q_{\alpha\gamma}) + \mathcal{O}(\beta^3) \end{aligned}$$

so: $q_{\alpha\beta} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} + (1 - \delta_{\alpha\beta}) \beta^2 h^2 + \mathcal{O}(\beta^3)$ for all (α, β)

conclusion: for high temperatures
solution is of the following form

for all $\alpha, \beta = 1 \dots n$: $m_\alpha = m$, $q_{\alpha\beta} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} + q(1 - \delta_{\alpha\beta})$

symmetric under all permutations of $(1, \dots, n)$,
→ replica symmetric solution (RS)

- what does RS mean intuitively?
are solutions $\{m_\alpha, q_{\alpha\beta}\}$ always of RS form?
if no, how to find solutions with broken replica symmetry (RSB)?
- need physical interpretation!
use alternative form(s) of replica identity:

$$\overline{\langle g(\sigma) \rangle} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\gamma=1}^n \sum_{\sigma^1} \dots \sum_{\sigma^n} \overline{g(\sigma^\gamma) e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\sigma^\alpha)}}$$

$$\overline{\langle \langle g(\sigma, \sigma') \rangle \rangle} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{\alpha \neq \gamma=1}^n \sum_{\sigma^1} \dots \sum_{\sigma^n} \overline{g(\sigma^\alpha, \sigma^\gamma) e^{-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^n H(\sigma^\alpha)}}$$

apply to

$$P(m|\sigma) = \delta\left[m - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i\right], \quad P(q|\sigma, \sigma') = \delta\left[q - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i \sigma'_i\right]$$

- repeat steps of calculation of $\bar{f}$,
gives expressions in terms of
saddle-point soln $\{m_\alpha, q_{\alpha\gamma}\}$:

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\langle P(m|\sigma) \rangle} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \delta[m - m_\alpha]$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\langle \langle P(q|\sigma, \sigma') \rangle \rangle} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{\alpha \neq \gamma=1}^n \delta[q - q_{\alpha\gamma}]$$

(see exercises)

- ergodic systems in equilibrium:
fluctuations in quantities like $N^{-1} \sum_i \sigma_i$
or $N^{-1} \sum_i \sigma_i \sigma'_i$ scale as $\mathcal{O}(N^{-1/2})$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle P(m|\sigma) \rangle = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \delta \left[m - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i \right] \right\rangle = \delta \left[m - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \sigma_i \rangle \right]$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \langle P(q|\sigma, \sigma') \rangle \rangle = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \left\langle \delta \left[q - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i \sigma'_i \right] \right\rangle \right\rangle = \delta \left[q - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \sigma_i \rangle^2 \right]$$

- meaning of replica symmetry (RS):
ergodic equilibrium state with

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\langle P(m|\sigma) \rangle} = \delta \left[m - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle \sigma_i \rangle} \right]$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\langle \langle P(q|\sigma, \sigma') \rangle \rangle} = \delta \left[q - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle \sigma_i \rangle^2} \right]$$

$$\forall \alpha : \quad m_\alpha = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle \sigma_i \rangle}, \quad \forall \alpha \neq \gamma : \quad q_{\alpha\beta} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle \sigma_i \rangle^2} = q_{\text{EA}}$$

- RSB can occur !
nontrivial breaking of ergodicity at low temperatures ...
(De Almeida & Thouless 1978, Parisi 1978)
(see also exercises)

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Replica symmetric solution of the SK model

$m_\alpha = m$, $q_{\alpha \neq \beta} = q$, now find m and q ...

- RS saddle-point eqns for m_α ,
insert RS form and use $\exp(\frac{1}{2}x^2) = \int Dz e^{xz}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m &= \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} e^{\beta(J_0 m + h) \sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 q \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta}}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{\beta(J_0 m + h) \sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 q \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta}}} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} e^{\beta(J_0 m + h) \sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 q [\sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda}]^2}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{\beta(J_0 m + h) \sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 q [\sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda}]^2}} \\
 &= \frac{\int Dz \sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \prod_{\lambda=1}^n e^{\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})\sigma_{\lambda}}}{\int Dz \sum_{\sigma} \prod_{\lambda=1}^n e^{\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})\sigma_{\lambda}}} \\
 &= \frac{\int Dz \sinh[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})] \cosh^{n-1}[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}{\int Dz \cosh^n[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}
 \end{aligned}$$

- RS saddle-point eqns for $q_{\alpha \neq \gamma}$,
insert RS form and use $\exp(\frac{1}{2}x^2) = \int Dz e^{xz}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 q &= \frac{\sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} e^{\beta(J_0 m + h) \sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 q \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta}}}{\sum_{\sigma} e^{\beta(J_0 m + h) \sum_{\lambda} \sigma_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2}(\beta J)^2 q \sum_{\lambda \neq \zeta} \sigma_{\lambda} \sigma_{\zeta}}} \\
 &= \frac{\int Dz \sum_{\sigma} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\gamma} \prod_{\lambda=1}^n e^{\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})\sigma_{\lambda}}}{\int Dz \sum_{\sigma} \prod_{\lambda=1}^n e^{\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})\sigma_{\lambda}}} \\
 &= \frac{\int Dz \sinh^2[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})] \cosh^{n-2}[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}{\int Dz \cosh^n[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}
 \end{aligned}$$

- two coupled eqns for (m, q)

$$\begin{aligned}
 m &= \frac{\int Dz \sinh[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})] \cosh^{n-1}[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}{\int Dz \cosh^n[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]} \\
 q &= \frac{\int Dz \sinh^2[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})] \cosh^{n-2}[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}{\int Dz \cosh^n[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]}
 \end{aligned}$$

$n \rightarrow 0$:

$$m = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle \sigma_i \rangle},$$

$$q = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle \sigma_i \rangle^2}$$

$$m = \int Dz \tanh[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})], \quad q = \int Dz \tanh^2[\beta(J_0 m + h + Jz\sqrt{q})]$$

• phases of the system for $h=0$

paramagnetic (P) : $m=0, q=0$ (no order, $\langle \sigma_i \rangle = 0$ for all i)

spin glass (SG) : $m=0, q>0$ $q = \int Dz \tanh^2[\beta Jz\sqrt{q}]$

ferromagnetic (F) : $m \neq 0, q>0$

• bifurcations away from $(m, q) = (0, 0)$:

$$m = \int Dz [\beta J_0 m + \beta Jz\sqrt{q} + \mathcal{O}(m, \sqrt{q})^3] = \beta J_0 m + \dots$$

$$q = \int Dz [\beta J_0 m + \beta Jz\sqrt{q} + \mathcal{O}(m, \sqrt{q})^3]^2 = (\beta J_0)^2 m^2 + (\beta J)^2 q + \dots$$

continuous P $\rightarrow$ F transition: $\beta J_0 = 1$

continuous P $\rightarrow$ SG transition: $\beta J = 1$

- bifurcations SG to F, i.e. of $m \neq 0$

$$q = \int Dz \tanh^2[\beta Jz\sqrt{q}], \quad \text{soln: } q_{\text{EA}}$$

$$m = \int Dz \tanh[\beta Jz\sqrt{q_{\text{EA}}}] + \beta J_0 m \int Dz [1 - \tanh^2[\beta Jz\sqrt{q_{\text{EA}}}] + \mathcal{O}(m^2)]$$

$$= \beta J_0 m (1 - q_{\text{EA}}) + \mathcal{O}(m^2) \quad \text{SG} \rightarrow \text{F transition: } \beta J_0 = (1 - q_{\text{EA}})^{-1}$$

RS phase diagram of SK model

$$\text{P} \rightarrow \text{F}: \quad \beta J_0 = 1, \text{ i.e. } J_0/J = T/J$$

$$\text{P} \rightarrow \text{SG}: \quad \beta J = 1, \text{ i.e. } T/J = 1$$

$$\text{F} \rightarrow \text{SG}: \quad \beta J_0 = (1 - q_{\text{EA}})^{-1}$$

