



So far: one pure state (right Gibbs state)

⇒ What to do with the cavity approach when there are many pure states?

⇒ cannot work with Gibbs state (not pure)

⇒ need to be careful: there are more states at higher free energy density ⇒ needs to be taken into account when adding a site (→ shift of free energy!)

Consider non-disordered system that undergoes a glass transition (otherwise: replace $\eta_{\text{cav}} \rightarrow P(\eta_{\text{cav}})$)

For a given link $i \rightarrow j$ define:

$$g(\eta, F) = \sum_{\alpha = \text{pure states}} \delta(\eta - \eta_{i \rightarrow j}^{(\alpha)}) \delta(F - F^{(\alpha)}) \stackrel{\text{expect:}}{=} Q(\eta) \exp(\beta m(F - F_{\text{ref}}))$$

for simplicity:

think of Ising systems: $\eta_{i \rightarrow j} \leftrightarrow h_{i \rightarrow j}$

where: Q depends on

$$f \equiv F/N$$

$$\text{and } m\beta = Z'(f)$$

Strategy:

- We show that this assumption is self-consistent
- We choose m as a parameter, which will select f and

$$Q(\eta) = Q(\eta; f) \equiv Q(\eta; m)$$

→ Tune which energy density you will study!

In the cavity:

$$\sum_{\alpha} \delta(\eta_1 - \eta_{j_1 \rightarrow i}^{(\alpha)}) \dots \delta(\eta_k - \eta_{j_k \rightarrow i}^{(\alpha)}) \delta(F_{\text{cav}} - F_{\text{before}}^{(\alpha)}) = Q(\eta_1) \dots Q(\eta_k) \cdot \exp(\beta m(F_{\text{cav}} - F_{\text{ref}}'))$$

where: $Q^{\text{new}}(\gamma_{i \rightarrow x})$ is normalized:

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle \exp(-\beta m \Delta F) \rangle \stackrel{!}{=} \int \left[\prod_{\ell=1}^k d\gamma_{\ell \rightarrow i} Q(\gamma_{\ell \rightarrow i}) \right] e^{-\beta m \Delta F(\xi_3)}$$

and the exponential distribution of free energies has the new reference value: $F_{\text{ref}}^{\text{new}}$

with: $e^{\beta m F_{\text{ref}}^{\text{new}}} = e^{\beta m F'_{\text{ref}}} \cdot \langle \exp(-\beta m \Delta F) \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow F_{\text{ref}}^{\text{new}} = F'_{\text{ref}} - \frac{1}{\beta m} \ln \langle \exp(-\beta m \Delta F) \rangle$$

1 step - cavity approach: $\Leftrightarrow$

Find fixed point of $Q(\gamma)$:

$$Q^{\text{new}}(\gamma_{i \rightarrow x}) \stackrel{!}{=} Q^*(\gamma_{i \rightarrow x}) = \int \left[\prod_{\ell=1}^k d\gamma Q^*(\gamma) \right] \delta(\gamma_{i \rightarrow x} - \Phi(\xi_3))$$

How to solve this? $\rightarrow$ Population dynamics!

Note: The fixed point Q^* depends on m !

"Reweighting" is very important!

$$\times \frac{e^{-\beta m \Delta F(\xi_3)}}{\langle \exp(-\beta m \Delta F) \rangle}$$

The larger m , the more heavily one biases γ 's that result from a cavity iteration that lowers the free energy, ($\Delta F < 0$)

$\Rightarrow m \uparrow \Rightarrow$ select lower free energy states!

What free energy density is selected? How to calculate $\Phi(m)$ ($\Leftrightarrow \Sigma(\beta)$)

Recall: $Z_{\text{tree}} = \frac{\prod_{\text{sites}} z_i}{\prod_{\langle ij \rangle \text{ links}} z_{ij}}$

Same for m clones: $Z^{(m)} = \frac{\prod_{\text{sites}} z_i^m e^{-\beta \Delta f_{\text{site}} \cdot m}}{\prod_{\langle ij \rangle} e^{-\beta \Delta f_{\langle ij \rangle} \cdot m}}$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi(m) (-\beta m) = \log Z^{(m)} = \sum_{\text{sites}} \log \langle e^{-\beta \Delta f_{\text{site}} \cdot m} \rangle_{Q(\gamma, m)} - \sum_{\text{links}} \log \langle e^{-\beta \Delta f_{\text{link}} \cdot m} \rangle_{Q(\gamma, m)}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\beta \Phi(m) = \log \langle e^{-\beta m \Delta f_{\text{site}}} \rangle_{Q(\gamma, m)} - \frac{c}{2} \log \langle e^{-\beta m \Delta f_{\text{link}}} \rangle_{Q(\gamma, m)}$$

$\Downarrow$

Obtain $\Sigma(f)$ $\begin{cases} \text{ground state} \\ \text{threshold} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow$ complexity.

even for continuous RSB may be a reasonable approx.

$\Rightarrow$ Describe glassy phases quantitatively at the 1-step RSB level!

• Interesting application in random satisfiability problems / glass problems:

How to actually find solutions / low energy states??

• Disordered systems ($\Leftrightarrow$ non-equivalent sites) $\Rightarrow$ not just $Q(\gamma)$ but $Q(\gamma_{i \rightarrow j})$
 but $\mathbb{E}[Q(\gamma)] = \sum_{\text{sites}} \delta(Q - Q_{i,j})$ distribution over (sites) links
 distribution over pure states.

This is needed if one wants to analyze thermodynamics. (rather heavy!)

BUT: If one is interested in a given sample / realization:

$\Rightarrow$ Calculate $Q_{i \rightarrow j}$ from $Q_{jk \rightarrow i}$ $j \rightarrow$ "survey propagation"

γ : belief.

$\Leftrightarrow Q(\gamma)$: survey of beliefs (in diff. states)

- Use m to favor states at low energy
($\Leftrightarrow$ satisfiable configurations in 3-SAT)

Idea: Run survey propagation:

- select randomly a link $i \rightarrow j$
- update it, by computing $Q_{i \rightarrow j}$ from $Q_{j^k \rightarrow i}$
- repeat until convergence is reached.

Now: Identify sites with very biased surveys
(construct $Q_i(y_i)$ from all $Q_{j \rightarrow i}(y_{j \rightarrow i})$!)

$\Leftrightarrow$ these sites have the same strong belief (= preference for a given σ_i^* in most states.

$\Rightarrow$ It is a good idea to fix the variable σ_i into this σ_i^* and consider it non-dynamic

$\Rightarrow$ this reduces the size of the problem, but keeps most "solutions" or low energy configurations

$\hookrightarrow$ Iterate for the smaller problem, freeze "biased" variables successively $\Rightarrow$ find eventually a low energy state!

$\Rightarrow$ very successful algorithm for hard satisfiability problems!

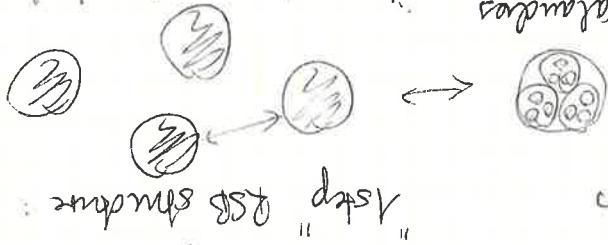
Remarks:

- In principle one could go to 2-step RSB: One would have to consider clusters of pure states and then describe the statistics of clusters. This becomes nearly impossible to implement. $\rightarrow$ no simple way how to implement continuous RSB (like for SK) on a random graph.
- But for infinite connectivity, $C \rightarrow \infty$: SK solution is good. $\rightarrow$ large C expansion? $\rightarrow$ underlying open problems

Summary of dynamical glass physics

- two universality classes
 - $p = 2$ spins (e.g. SK model)
 - $p > 2$ spins

- continuous transition: $\Rightarrow$ sudden break-up of paramagnetic state into clusters (states) $\Rightarrow$ free to suddenly to finite value $\Rightarrow$ jumps! $\Rightarrow$ states are well separated
- states organize in bigger clusters and superclusters $\Rightarrow$ hierarchy of states in ultrametric tree
- permanent artificiality, analogues

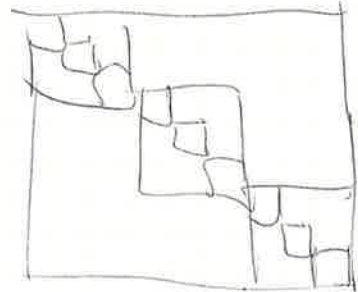


deeper lying states: only stable traps with large barriers

- solution:

mean field:

full replica symmetry breaking:



continuous

$$q(x) = q(q) = \frac{dx}{dq}$$

essentially only one

marginaly stable solution

⇒ only one relevant

free energy density [presumably]

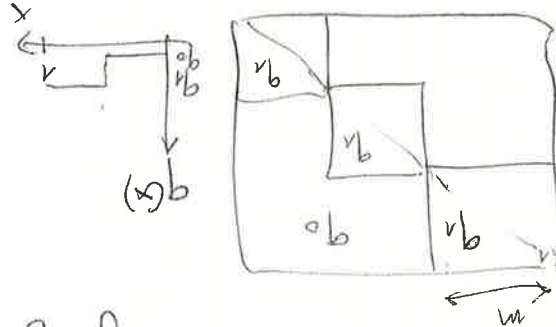
⇒ whole range of free energy densities with states

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states $\phi(m) = \Phi(m)/m$
extremize over $m \Rightarrow$
ground state (lowest free energy)

varying $m \Rightarrow$ select different

$m \Rightarrow$ # of clones
↔ legendre conjugate
to free energy density



- 1-step RSB // cavity approach with renormalizing

So far: everything classical!

Interesting phase space structure

→ how is the glass landscape probed / sensed
by quantum fluctuations?

Quantum glasses:

Fluctuations / non-commutativity:

- transverse fields (Ising): $H = - \sum_{ij} S_i^x S_j^x - \sum_{ij} J_{ij} S_i^z S_j^z$

(also p-spin version with $\vec{P} \cdot \sum \vec{S}_i^x$)

- quantum rotors $H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i L_i^2 + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{n}_j$

with H component $[n_i^x, n_j^x] = 0$

$$[L_{ij}^z, n_j^x] = i \delta_{ij} (\delta_{jx} n_j^y - \delta_{jy} n_j^x) \quad j, y = 1, \dots, M$$

L_{ij}^z : generator of rotation of vector n in the xy -plane

$\Rightarrow$ ach like a transverse field; Ising is like $M \rightarrow 1$

Fluctuations come from local interactions commute!

operator

$\Rightarrow$ non-commuting interactions

$$H = - \sum_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j \quad \text{e.g. Heisenberg interaction}$$

$\vec{S}$: generator of SU(2) $\rightarrow$ or of SU(N)

$$\Rightarrow [S_i^x S_j^x, S_j^y S_j^y] \neq 0$$

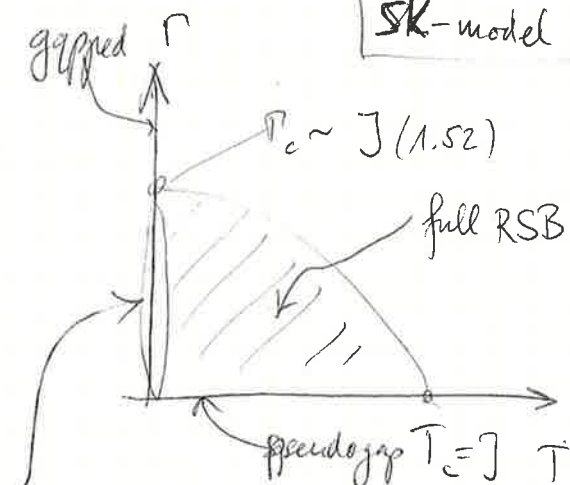
$\Rightarrow$ fluctuations due to noncommuting interactions!

$\Rightarrow$ Very different quantum phase transitions!

Mean field theory? $N \rightarrow \infty$: fully connected

extra simplification: $M \rightarrow \infty$ (others) or SU(M) $\Rightarrow$ solvable!

transverse field
SK-model, similar for rotor models



everywhere gapless: critical phase $\Rightarrow$ marginal stability
 $\hookrightarrow$ collective spin waves of arbitrarily low frequency!

$\hookrightarrow$ nature: Soft directions of $\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{H}}{\partial m_i \partial m_j}$: oscillations

along those directions yield low frequency modes.

Note: this is spectacular: there is no continuous symmetry $\Rightarrow$ no Goldstone modes. Yet the glass is gapless!

$\Leftrightarrow$ [Heisenberg (su(2)) fully connected]

Bray + Moore 1980: proof that T_c still exists, but only $\sim 0.14 J$

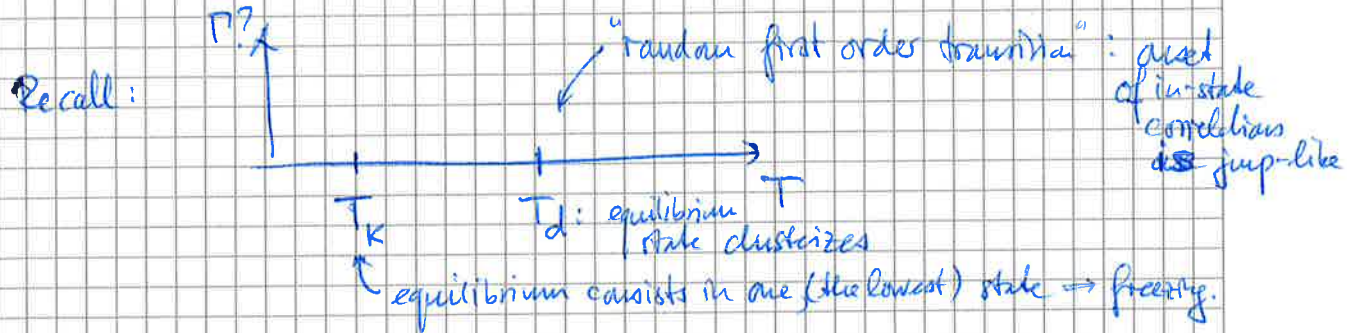
Current Interest: Sadler + Ye: Decompose $\vec{S}_i^x \in su(M)$ as $f_\alpha^\dagger f_\beta$ or $b_\alpha^\dagger b_\beta$
 (bosonic or fermionic partons) with $\alpha = 1, \dots, M$; $\sum_\alpha b_\alpha^\dagger b_\alpha = \frac{M}{2}$

$M \rightarrow \infty$ becomes solvable! $\Rightarrow$ gapless spectrum with no quasi-particles at high $T > T_c$! (Self-energies/scattering rates
 $\sim \omega^{1/2}$ as $\omega \rightarrow 0$
 $\gg \omega \Rightarrow$ no sharp quasi-particles)

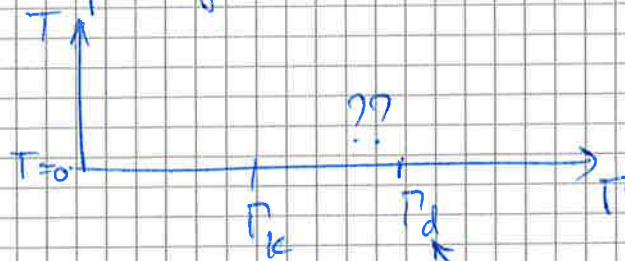
Extremely fast thermalization! "Fastest scramblers"
 very strong scattering

$\Rightarrow$ unusually high spectral weight at low frequencies

What about 1step-RSB systems in transverse fields?



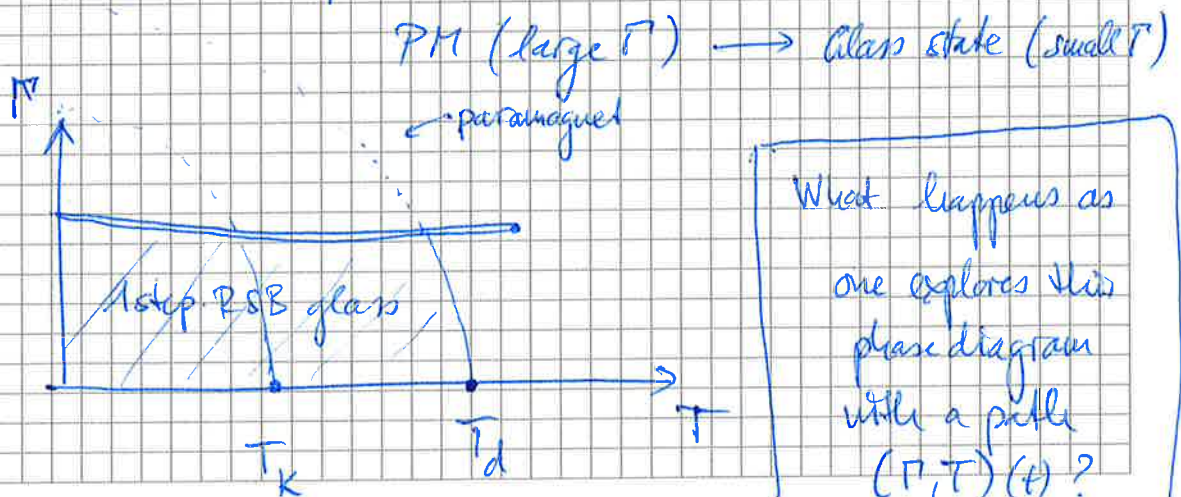
What to expect from a transverse field?



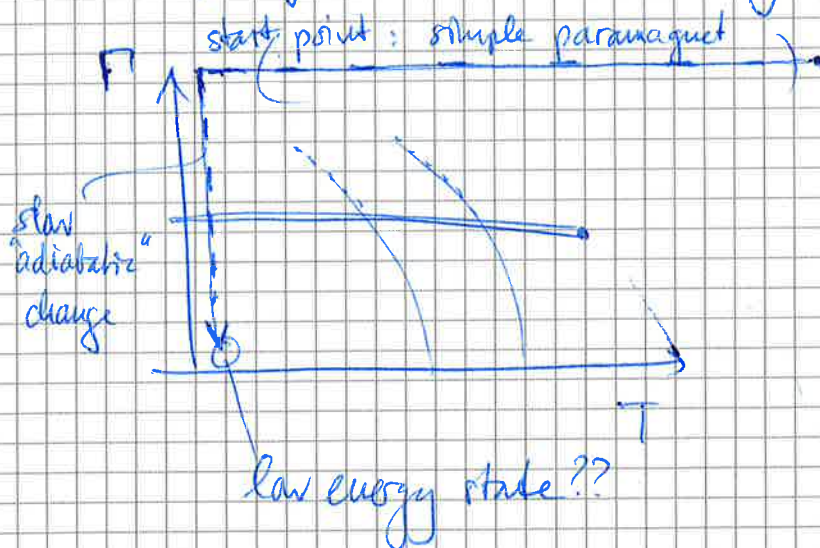
Because there is no entropy at $T \rightarrow 0$!

And: $\langle S_i \rangle = -m_i$ cannot turn on smoothly: energy gain cannot compensate loss in quantum fluctuations!

$\Rightarrow$ The only possibility is a first order transition.



Idea: While it may be hard to find the GS of the p-spin glass (or 3-SAT) by adiabatic computation:



⇒ Would contradict rigorous theorems that one cannot find (in non-exponential time) states deeper down from the threshold than a certain margin.

What is the catch?

Mean field: Paramagnet: $\langle s_i^z \rangle = 0$ ($\langle s_i^x \rangle \neq 0$ along Γ)

⇔ Spin glass: $\langle s_i^z \rangle \approx \pm 1$

extremely different!

↳ tunneling from low energy paramagnet to equal energy spin glass state: requires macroscopically many spins to change state → tunneling rate is $\exp(-N)$, no matter what state you want to end in!

⇒ "Nucleation" of the glass state happens only on exp. long time scales (or any)