# Phase transitions in spherical models 

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Motivations


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Vectors and matrices dispose of a vast collection of interesting phases and transitions. What about tensors?
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## Vector models: History

$$
\boldsymbol{s}=\left(s_{1}, \ldots, s_{N}\right) ; \quad Z(\beta)=\sum_{s} e^{-\beta H[s]}
$$

Ising:

$$
\begin{gathered}
H[s]=-\sum_{i \sim j} J s_{i} s_{j}-h \sum_{i} s_{i} ; \quad s_{i}= \pm 1 \\
d=1:\left\langle s_{i} s_{j}\right\rangle_{\beta} \leq C \exp (-c(\beta)|i-j|) \quad[\text { [lsing 1924] } \\
d \geq 2:\left\langle s_{i} s_{j}\right\rangle_{\beta} \geq c(\beta)>0 \quad(d=2 \text { [Onsager 1944] })
\end{gathered}
$$

Spin glasses:

Edwards-Anderson [1975]:
$H=\sum_{i \sim j} J_{i j} s_{i} s_{j} ; \quad \overline{J_{i j}^{2}} \propto J^{2}$

Sherrington-Kirkpatrick
[SK 1972, Parisi 1979, Talagrand 2006]:

$$
H=\sum_{1 \leq i<j \leq N} J_{i j} s_{i} s_{j}
$$

Main properties: non-ergodicity, ultrametricity, non-selfaveraging.

## Vector models: Spherical p-spin

$$
\begin{gathered}
H[s]=-\sum_{1 \leq i_{1}<\cdots<i_{p} \leq N} J_{i_{1} \ldots i_{p}} s_{i_{1}} \ldots s_{i_{p}}-h \sum_{i=1}^{N} s_{i} \\
s^{2}=s_{1}^{2}+\cdots+s_{N}^{2}=N ; \quad \overline{J_{i} \ldots i_{p}}=\frac{J^{2} p!}{2 N^{p-1}}
\end{gathered}
$$

[Berlin Kac '52]: fixed coupling ( $J_{i_{1} \ldots i_{p}}=J>0$ ), nearest neighbour, large $N$ :

$$
d= \begin{cases}1,2 & \text { disordered phase } \\ 3 & \text { spontaneous magnetization }\end{cases}
$$

[Crisanti Sommers '92 (1)]: The annealed average introduces $n$ replicas:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \beta F=-\overline{\ln Z}=-\lim _{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\overline{Z^{n}}-1}{n} \\
& \overline{Z^{n}}=\overline{\sum_{s_{1} \cdots s_{n}} \exp \left(-\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n} H\left[s_{\alpha}\right]\right)} \\
&=\sum_{s_{1} \cdots s_{n}} \exp \left(\frac{(\beta J)^{2} p!}{4 N^{p-1}} \sum_{1 \leq i_{1}<\cdots<i_{p} \leq N} s_{s_{1} \alpha} \ldots s_{i_{p} \alpha} s_{i_{1} \beta} \ldots s_{i_{p} \beta}+\beta h \sum_{i \alpha}^{N} s_{i \alpha}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Vector models: Spherical p-spin

Introducing the overlap matrix:

$$
q_{\alpha \beta}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} s_{i \alpha} s_{i \beta} ; \quad(Q)_{\alpha \beta}=q_{\alpha \beta} \quad \text { (order parameter) }
$$

with Lagrange multipliers $(\boldsymbol{\lambda})_{\alpha \beta}=\lambda_{\alpha \beta}$, gives:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \overline{Z^{n}}=\int_{Q>0} \prod_{\alpha<\beta} \mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{q}_{\alpha \beta} \int_{-i \infty}^{i \infty} \mathrm{~d} \boldsymbol{\lambda} \exp (-N G[Q, \lambda]), \\
& G[Q, \lambda]=-\frac{(\beta J)^{2}}{4} \sum_{\alpha \beta} q_{\alpha \beta}^{p}+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \beta} \lambda_{\alpha \beta} q_{\alpha \beta} \\
&-\ln \int \prod_{\alpha} \mathrm{d} s_{\alpha} \exp \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \beta} \lambda_{\alpha \beta} s_{\alpha} s_{\beta}+\beta h \sum_{\alpha} s_{\alpha}\right)+\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Vector models: Spherical p-spin

After integration over $s$ (Gaussian) and $\lambda$ at first orders in $1 / N$ and $n$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
\overline{Z^{n}}=\int_{Q>0} \prod_{\alpha \beta} \sqrt{\frac{N}{2 \pi}} \mathrm{~d} q_{\alpha \beta} \exp \left[-N G_{0}(Q)-G_{1}(Q)+\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)\right], \\
2 G_{0}(Q)=-\frac{\mu}{p} \sum_{\alpha \beta} q_{\alpha \beta}^{p}-b^{2} \sum_{\alpha \beta} q_{\alpha \beta}-\ln \operatorname{det} Q+\frac{b^{4}}{2}\left(\sum_{\alpha \beta} q_{\alpha \beta}\right)^{2}, \\
2 G_{1}(Q)=\frac{\mu}{2}(p-1) \sum_{\alpha \beta} q_{\alpha \beta}^{p-2}\left(1+2 q_{\alpha \beta}^{2}-2 b^{4}\left(\sum_{\gamma \delta} q_{\alpha \gamma} q_{\beta \delta}\right)^{2}\right)+\ln \operatorname{det} Q, \\
\mu=\frac{(\beta J)^{2}}{2} p, \quad b=\beta h .
\end{gathered}
$$

Extremize (maximum!) and integrate over Gaussian fluctuations:

$$
\frac{\beta F}{N}=-s(\infty)+\frac{1}{n} G_{0}\left(Q_{*}\right)+\frac{1}{N n}\left(G_{1}\left(Q_{*}\right)+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\nu} n_{\nu} \ln \Lambda_{\nu}\right)+\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N^{2}}\right) .
$$

We will look for stable solutions ( $\Lambda_{\nu}>0$ ).

## Vector models: Spherical p-spin

Replica symmetric ansatz:

$$
q_{\alpha \beta}= \begin{cases}1 & (\alpha=\beta) \\ q & (\alpha \neq \beta)\end{cases}
$$

1 step replica-symmetry-broken ansatz $\left(0 \leq q_{0} \leq q_{1} \leq 1\right)$ :


In the SK model, full RSB mechanism was needed [Parisi '79], with a monotone functional:

$$
q(x) \quad(0 \leq x \leq 1)
$$

Other methods: TAP equations, Langevin dynamics, supersymmetry...

## Vector models: Spherical p-spin



Phase diagram and free energy (for $h=0$ ) for $p=3$. [Taken from (1)]


Susceptibility (upper), specific heat (lower) for $h=0$ and $p=3$. [Taken from (1)]
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## Matrix models: Spin softening

Can matrix models serve to describe glasses?
[Cugliandolo et al '94, Anninos et al '14, Hartnoll et al '19 (2)]

$$
H[S]=\operatorname{tr}\left[V\left(S S^{t}\right)\right], \quad S_{a B}= \pm 1 \quad\left(1 \leq a \leq N_{1} ; 1 \leq B \leq N_{2}\right)
$$

Spin softening:

$$
Z(\beta)=\sum_{\boldsymbol{S}=\{ \pm 1\}^{N_{1} N_{2}}} e^{-\beta H[S] N_{i} \rightarrow \infty} \int d M \delta\left(\operatorname{tr} M M^{t}-N_{1} N_{2}\right) e^{-\beta H(M)}
$$

Remarks:

- Emergent continuous symmetry at high T.
- Bad approximation for non-singlet correlators at low T.


## Matrix models: Spin softening

Indeed:

$$
Z(\beta)=\int \mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{G} \mathrm{~d} \boldsymbol{\lambda} e^{-\beta \operatorname{tr} V(G)} \int \mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{S} \delta\left(S_{a B}^{2}-1\right) e^{-i \lambda_{a b}\left(G_{a b}-\left(S S^{t}\right)_{a b}\right)}
$$

Inserting the trivial relation: $\sum_{a} \mu_{a}\left(N_{2}-\left(S S^{t}\right)_{a a}\right)=0$,

$$
\int \mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{S} \delta\left(S_{a B}^{2}-1\right) e^{i \lambda_{a b}\left(S S^{t}\right)_{a b}}=e^{i N_{2} \sum_{a} \mu_{a}} z(\mu, \boldsymbol{\lambda})^{N_{2}}
$$

such that, with $\tilde{\lambda}_{a b}=2 i\left(\lambda_{a b}-\mu_{a} \delta_{a b}\right)$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
z(\mu, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) & =\sharp \sum_{s \in\{ \pm 1\}^{N_{1}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\operatorname{det} \tilde{\lambda}}} \int \mathrm{~d} \boldsymbol{w} e^{-\frac{1}{2} w_{a} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-1} w_{b}+\sum_{a} w_{a} s_{a}} \\
& =\sharp \frac{1}{\sqrt{\operatorname{det} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}}} \int \mathrm{~d} \boldsymbol{w} e^{-\frac{1}{2} w_{a} \tilde{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{-1} w_{b}+\sum_{a} \ln \left(2 \cosh \left(w_{a}\right)\right)} \\
& \stackrel{\vdots}{\approx} \sharp \frac{1}{\sqrt{\operatorname{det}(1-\tilde{\boldsymbol{\lambda}})}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Matrix models: Spin softening

The last line holds when we have chosen the $\mu_{a}$ such that:

$$
\left(\frac{1}{1-\tilde{\lambda}}\right)_{a a}=1 \quad \forall a
$$

In this way, we can obtain a matrix integral:

$$
z(\mu, \boldsymbol{\lambda})^{N_{2}}=\int \mathrm{d} M e^{-\frac{1}{2} M_{a} C\left(1-\tilde{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{*}\right)_{a b} M_{b C}}
$$

The integral over $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ gives $\delta\left(M M^{t}-G\right)$, hence the result ${ }^{1}$

$$
Z(\beta) \approx \int d M \delta\left(\operatorname{tr} M M^{t}-N_{1} N_{2}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} M M^{t}-\beta \operatorname{tr} V\left(M M^{t}\right)}
$$

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## Matrix models: Topological transition

For simplicity, we assume: $N_{1}=N_{2}=N$.
Diagonalizing $M$, with eigenvalues $\left(x_{i}\right)_{1 \leq i \leq N}$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
Z(\beta)=\int d \mu \prod d x_{i} \exp N^{2} & {\left[i \mu\left(1-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} x_{i}^{2}\right)-\frac{\beta}{N} \sum_{i} V\left(x_{i}\right)\right.} \\
& \left.+\frac{1}{2 N^{2}} \sum_{i \neq j} \log \left|x_{i}^{2}-x_{j}^{2}\right|\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

The saddle-point equations are:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} x_{i}^{2}=1, \quad i \mu x_{i}+\frac{\beta}{2} V^{\prime}\left(x_{i}\right)=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{x_{i}}{x_{i}^{2}-x_{j}^{2}} \\
& \int d x \rho(x) x^{2}=1, \quad i \mu x+\frac{\beta}{2} V^{\prime}(x)=P \int d y \frac{\rho(y)}{x-y}
\end{aligned}
$$

- $\beta \rightarrow 0$ : Gaussian limit, Wigner semi-circular law,
- $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ : $V$ dominates log, $\rho(x)=\sum s_{*} \delta\left(x-x_{*}\right)$.


## Matrix models: Topological transition

Indeed, one- and multi-cut solutions can be obtained exactly for different potentials and match with finite $N$ numerics.



Spectral density for $H=\operatorname{tr}\left(S S^{t}\right)^{3}$ and $H=-3 \operatorname{tr}\left(S S^{t}\right)^{4}+\operatorname{tr}\left(S S^{t}\right)^{5}$ [Taken from (2)].

## Matrix models: Low temperature

Generically (except for $N=2^{k}$ ), there is a glass transition (not described by the matrix!) and the topological transition happens for various potentials.


Energy density for $H=\operatorname{tr}\left(S S^{t}\right)^{3}$ and $H=-3 \operatorname{tr}\left(S S^{t}\right)^{4}+\operatorname{tr}\left(S S^{t}\right)^{5}$ [Taken from (2)].

NB: If the potential is unbounded below, there is a ferromagnetic ground state (low energy), again not described by the matrix integral (high entropy).
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## Tensor model

$$
T_{a b c} \quad(1 \leq a, b, c \leq N) ; \quad \sum_{a, b, c=1}^{N} T_{a b c}^{2}=N^{3 / 2}
$$

Imposing a spherical constraint removes the negative directions of the tetrahedron:

$$
\begin{aligned}
S(T, \mu, \lambda) & =\frac{\mu}{2} T_{a b c} T_{a b c}+\frac{\lambda}{4} T_{a b c} T_{a d e} T_{f b e} T_{f d c} \\
Z_{s p h}(\lambda) & =\int_{0}^{\infty} \mathrm{d} \mu \int \mathrm{~d} T \exp \left[N^{3} \mu-N^{3 / 2} S(T, \mu, \lambda)\right] \\
\frac{G_{s p h}(\lambda ; a b c)}{N^{3 / 2}} & =\frac{\int_{0}^{\infty} \mathrm{d} \mu \int \mathrm{~d} T T_{a b c} T_{a b c} \exp \left[N^{3} \mu-N^{3 / 2} S(T, \mu, \lambda)\right]}{Z_{s p h}(\lambda)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Tensor model II

Rescaling $\tilde{T}=\sqrt{\mu} T$, one finds:

$$
\frac{\int \mathrm{d} \mu \exp \left[N^{3}\left(\mu-\left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{N^{3}}\right) \ln \mu-F_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu^{2}\right)\right)\right] G_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu^{2}\right)}{\int \mathrm{d} \mu \exp \left[N^{3}\left(\mu-\left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{N^{3}}\right) \ln \mu-F_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu^{2}\right)\right)\right]}
$$

with [Carrozza Tanasa '15]:

$$
Z_{C T}(\lambda)=\int d T e^{-N^{3 / 2} S(T, 1, \lambda)}=\exp \left[-N^{3} F_{C T}(\lambda)\right]
$$

The large- $N$ saddle-point equation

$$
1-1 /\left(2 \mu_{*}\right)-\left.\partial_{\mu} F_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu^{2}\right)\right|_{\mu=\mu_{*}}=\mathcal{O}(1 / N)
$$

becomes

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mu_{*}-3 / 2+G_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu_{*}^{2}\right)=0 \\
(\lambda<0.0448)
\end{gathered}
$$

using Schwinger-Dyson equation:

$$
G_{C T}(\lambda)=1+\lambda \partial_{\lambda} F_{C T}(\lambda)
$$



## Tensor model III

Additionally, at LO (melonic approximation):

$$
\begin{gathered}
G_{C T}(\lambda)=\sum_{p \in N} C_{p} \lambda^{2 p}, \quad C_{p}=\frac{(4 p)!}{p!(3 p+1)!}, \quad|\lambda|^{2}<\lambda_{c}^{2}=\frac{3^{3}}{4^{4}} \\
G_{C T}(\lambda) \underset{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_{c}^{-}}{\sim} \frac{4}{3}-K \sqrt{1-\frac{\lambda^{2}}{\lambda_{c}^{2}}}
\end{gathered}
$$

Returning to the spherical model:

$$
\frac{G_{s p h}(\lambda)}{N^{3 / 2}} \sim \frac{e^{N^{3}\left(\mu_{*}-1 / 2 \ln \mu_{*}-F_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu_{*}^{2}\right)\right)}}{Z_{\text {sph }}(\lambda)} G_{C T}\left(\lambda / \mu_{*}^{2}\right) ; \quad 0 \leq \frac{\lambda^{2}}{\mu_{*}^{4}}<\frac{3^{3}}{4^{4}}
$$


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## Conclusions

What happens after $\lambda=0.0448$ ?
Low temperature/high coupling ground state?
Phase transition?
Good order parameter?

Beyond the melonic limit?

- Mean field theory around non-trivial vacuum? 2PI effective action [Benedetti, Gurau '18] with reduced symmetry [Benedetti, Costa '19]
- Numerics? Monte Carlo [Jha '21], bootstrap equations [Lin '20]

Thank you!


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Numerics helped set $\mu_{a}=\mu \forall a$.

