

# Diluted spin glass models

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# Overview

## Applications

- ▶ random 2-SAT
- ▶ the Potts antiferromagnet
- ▶ random  $k$ -SAT

## Random 2-SAT

### The 2-SAT problem

- ▶ variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  with  $\Omega = \{\pm 1\}$  representing truth values
- ▶ four types of clauses:

$$x_i \vee x_j$$

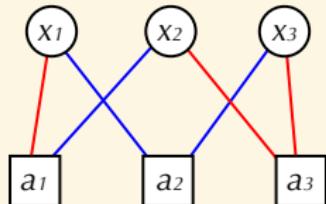
$$x_i \vee \neg x_j$$

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- ▶ a 2-SAT formula is a conjunction  $\Phi = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m a_i$  of clauses
- ▶  $S(\Phi)$  = set of satisfying assignments and  $Z(\Phi) = |S(\Phi)|$

## Random 2-SAT



### Example

- ▶  $\Phi = (\neg x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (x_1 \vee x_3) \wedge (\neg x_2 \vee \neg x_3)$
- ▶  $Z(\Phi) = 2$  and  $S(\Phi)$  consists of the two assignments

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$$\sigma_{x_2} = +1$$

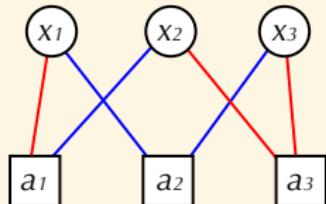
$$\sigma_{x_2} = -1$$

$$\sigma_{x_3} = -1$$

$$\sigma_{x_3} = +1$$

- ▶ “glassy” because variables may appear with opposing signs

# Random 2-SAT



## Random formulas

- ▶ for a fixed  $0 < d < \infty$  let  $m = \text{Po}(dn/2)$
- ▶  $\Phi$  = conjunction of  $m$  independent random clauses
- ▶ variable degrees have distribution  $\text{Po}(d)$
- ▶ **Goal:** to compute  $Z(\Phi)$
- ▶ *the threshold for  $Z(\Phi) = 0$  occurs at  $d = 2$*  [CR92, G96]

# Random 2-SAT

Theorem

[ACOHKLMPZ20]

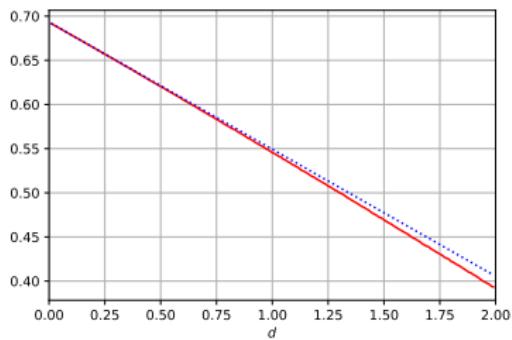
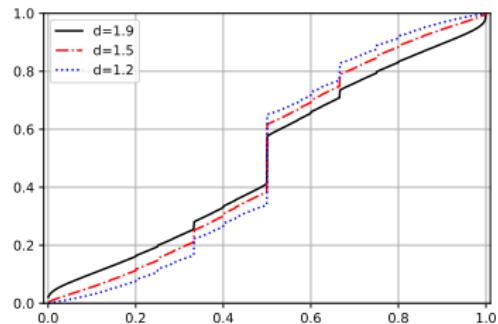
For  $d < 2$  there is a unique distribution  $\pi_d$  on  $(0, 1)$  s.t.

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_0 \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{d_+} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i}{\prod_{i=1}^{d_+} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i + \prod_{i=1}^{d_-} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{i+d^+}}$$

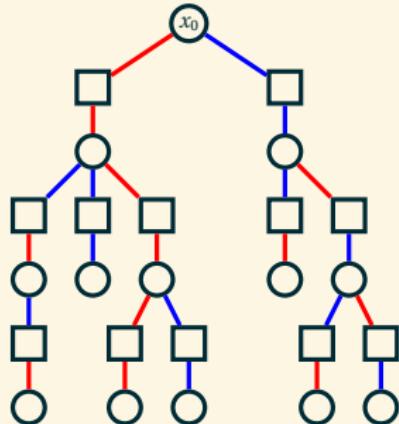
and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log Z(\Phi) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^{d_+} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i + \prod_{i=1}^{d_-} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{i+d_+} \right) - \frac{d}{2} \log(1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) \right]$$

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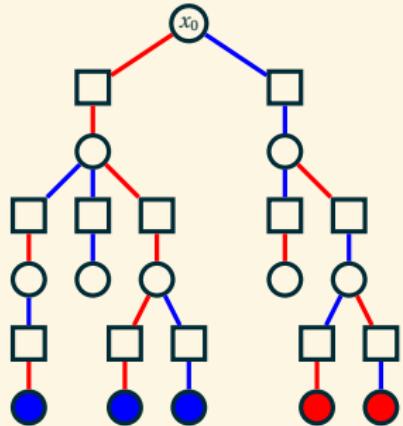
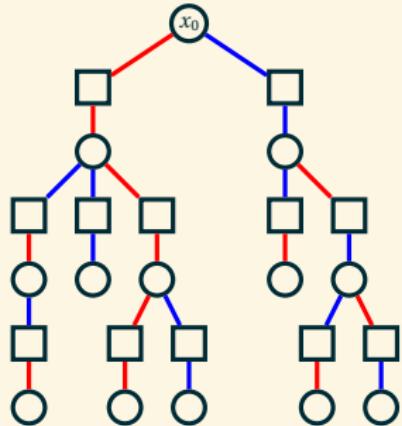
## Random 2-SAT



### The Galton-Watson tree

- ▶ a random tree  $T$  comprising variable and clause nodes
- ▶ the root  $x_0$  is a variable
- ▶ each variable node spawns  $\text{Po}(d)$  clause nodes
- ▶ each clause node has one variable node child

## Random 2-SAT



## Gibbs uniqueness

- ▶ the influence of the boundary condition disappears
  - ▶ therefore, there is *a unique* BP fixed point
  - ▶ consequently, there is only one Bethe state
  - ▶ hence, the model is replica symmetric for all  $d < 2$

# The Potts antiferromagnet

## The model

- ▶  $\mathbb{G}(n, p)$  with  $p = d/n$
- ▶  $q$ -spin Potts antiferromagnet
- ▶  $\beta$  = inverse temperature

# Random $k$ -SAT

## The $k$ -SAT threshold

- ▶ consider a random  $k$ -SAT formula  $\Phi$  with  $k \geq k_0$
- ▶ let  $m = \text{Po}(dn/k)$  be the number of clauses
- ▶ the *satisfiability threshold* occurs at [COP16,DSS15]

$$d/k = d^*(k)/k = 2^k \log 2 - \frac{1 + \log 2}{2} + o_k(1)$$

- ▶ ... as predicted by Survey Propagation [MPZ02]

# Random $k$ -SAT

## Replica symmetry breaking

- ▶ consider an inverse temperature parameter  $\beta > 0$
- ▶ we expect *replica symmetry breaking* for large  $\beta$  for  $d/k$  prior to the satisfiability threshold [KMRTSZ07]
- ▶ that is, we expect that

$$|\mu_{\Phi,\beta}(\{\sigma_{x_1} = \sigma_{x_2} = 1\}) - \mu_{\Phi,\beta}(\{\sigma_{x_1} = 1\})\mu_{\Phi,\beta}(\{\sigma_{x_2} = 1\})| > 0$$

# Random $k$ -SAT

Theorem

[CORM22]

Assume  $k \geq k_0$  and  $\beta$  is large enough. Then replica symmetry breaking occurs in random  $k$ -SAT for

$$2^k \log 2 - \frac{3}{2} \log 2 + o_k(1) \leq d/k \leq d^*(k)/k$$

# Random $k$ -SAT

## Belief Propagation on the Galton-Watson tree

- ▶ consider a Galton-Watson tree  $T_{d,k}$  that mimics the local structure of the random formula  $\Phi$
- ▶ truncate the tree at the  $2\ell$ -th layer
- ▶ on the boundary feed in independent messages drawn from a distribution  $\pi$  on  $[0, 1]$
- ▶ does Belief Propagation converge to a “sound” limit?
- ▶ say that a the distribution  $\pi$  has **slim tails** if

$$\pi \left( \left[ 0, 1/2 - 2^{-k/10} \right] \cup \left[ 1/2 + 2^{-k/10}, 1 \right] \right) \leq 2^{-k/10}$$

## Random $k$ -SAT

Lemma

[CORM22]

For any distribution  $\pi$  with slim tails BP converges weakly to a distribution  $\pi^*$  with slim tails as  $\ell \rightarrow \infty$  *Proof via the contraction method*

# Random $k$ -SAT

Lemma

[CORM22]

Assume  $d < d^*(k)$  and  $\beta$  is large enough. If  $\mu_{\Phi,\beta}$  is replica symmetric, then the empirical distribution

$$\pi_{\Phi,\beta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{\mu_{\Phi,\beta,x_i}(1)}$$

has slim tails with high probability. *Proof via a combinatorial analysis of the solution space*

# Random $k$ -SAT

Lemma

[CORM22]

Assume  $d < d^*(k)$  and  $\beta$  is large enough. If  $\mu_{\Phi,\beta}$  is replica symmetric, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log Z_\beta(\Phi) = \mathcal{B}(\pi^*) \quad \text{where}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(\pi) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^{\gamma^+} 1 - (1 - e^{-\beta}) \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\pi,i,j} + \prod_{i=1}^{\gamma^-} 1 - (1 - e^{-\beta}) \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\pi,i+\gamma^-,j} \right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{d(k-1)}{k} \log \left( 1 - (1 - e^{-\beta}) \prod_{j=1}^k \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\pi,1,j} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

*This follows from the general theorem about RS factor graphs*

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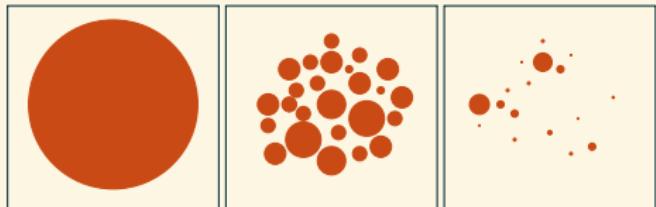
$$2^k \log 2 - \frac{3}{2} \log 2 + o_k(1) \leq d/k \leq d^*(k)/k$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log Z_\beta(\Phi) < \mathcal{B}(\pi^*)$$

*Proof via the 1RSB interpolation method*

# The Potts antiferromagnet



## Replica symmetry breaking?

- ▶ suppose we fix  $\beta$  and vary  $d$
- ▶ for what  $d$  is the model **replica symmetric**, viz. for  $1 \leq s, t \leq q$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} |\mu_{\mathbb{G}, \beta}(\{\sigma_1 = s, \sigma_2 = t\}) - q^{-2}| = 0$$

- ▶ *if the model fails to be replica symmetric, we know that a non-trivial Bethe state decomposition occurs*

# The Potts antiferromagnet

## Theorem

[COKPZ18, COEJKK18]

For  $\beta > 0, d > 0$  let

$$\mathcal{B}_{q,\beta}^*(d) = \sup \left\{ \mathcal{B}_{q,\beta,d}(\pi) : \int \mu(i) d\pi(\mu) = 1/q \right\} \quad \text{where}$$
$$\mathcal{B}_{q,\beta,d}(\pi) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{\Lambda(\sum_{\sigma=1}^q \prod_{i=1}^r 1 - (1 - e^{-\beta}) \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{(\pi)}(\sigma))}{q(1 - (1 - e^{-\beta})/q)^r} - \frac{d}{2} \frac{\Lambda(1 - (1 - e^{-\beta}) \sum_{\sigma=1}^q \boldsymbol{\mu}_1^{(\pi)}(\sigma) \boldsymbol{\mu}_2^{(\pi)}(\sigma))}{1 - (1 - e^{-\beta})/q} \right]$$

Then

$$d_{\text{RSB}}(q, \beta) = \inf \left\{ d > 0 : \mathcal{B}_{q,\beta}^*(d) > \log q + \frac{d}{2} \log(1 - (1 - e^{-\beta})/q) \right\}$$

# The Potts antiferromagnet

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## The stochastic block model

- ▶ random colouring  $\sigma^* : V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, q\}$
- ▶ for each pair  $e = \{v, w\}$  independently,

$$P[e \in \mathbb{G}^* | \sigma^*] = \frac{d}{n} \cdot \frac{q}{q - 1 + e^{-\beta}} \cdot \begin{cases} e^{-\beta} & \text{if } \sigma^*(v) = \sigma^*(w), \\ 1 & \text{if } \sigma^*(v) \neq \sigma^*(w) \end{cases}$$

- ▶  $d$  = signal strength;  $e^{-\beta}$  = noise

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## The stochastic block model

- ▶ the overlap of  $\sigma, \tau : V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, q\}$  is

$$\alpha(\sigma, \tau) = \frac{1}{q-1} \max_{\kappa \in \mathbb{S}_q} \left\{ \frac{q}{n} \sum_{v \in V} \mathbf{1}\{\sigma(v) = \kappa \circ \tau(v)\} - 1 \right\}.$$

- ▶ for what  $d, \beta$  is it possible to infer  $\tau_{\mathbb{G}^*}$  such that

$$E[\alpha(\sigma^*, \tau_{\mathbb{G}^*})] \geq \Omega(1) ?$$

# The Potts antiferromagnet

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Lemma

[COKPZ18]

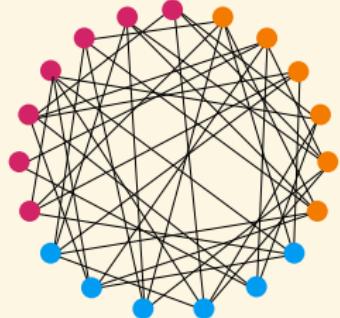
For given  $d, \beta$  the following are equivalent:

- ▶ the Potts antiferromagnet on  $\mathbb{G}(n, p)$  is replica symmetric
- ▶ non-trivial inference of  $\sigma^*$  is impossible
- ▶ we have

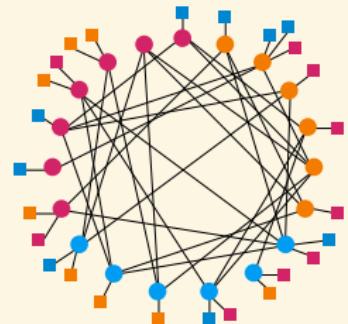
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{E} \log Z_{q, \beta}(\mathbb{G}^*) = \log q + \frac{d}{2} \log \left( 1 - \frac{1 - e^{-\beta}}{q} \right)$$

*Proof: truncated moment computation*

# The Potts antiferromagnet



The interpolation bound



[COKPZ18]

$$\frac{1}{n} \text{Elog} Z_{q,\beta}(\mathbb{G}^*) \geq \mathcal{B}_{q,\beta}^*(d)$$

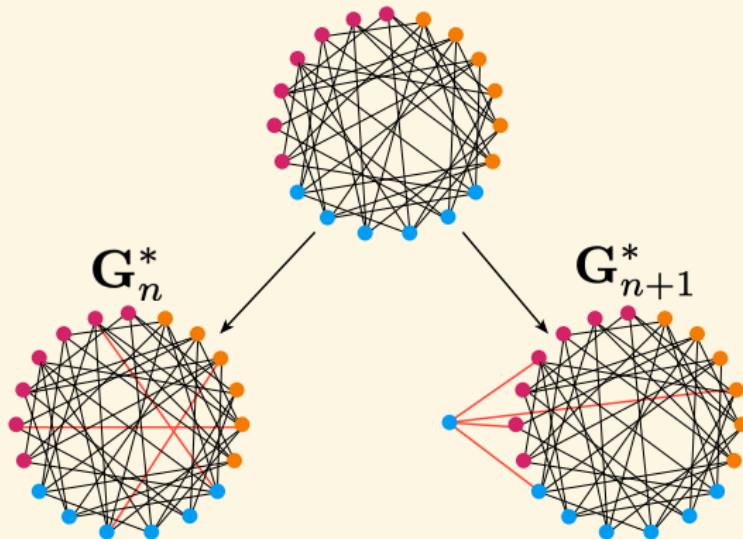
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## Pinning to the ground truth

[COKPZ18]

- ▶ the pinning operation precipitates replica symmetry...
- ▶ ...without significantly affecting  $Z_{q,\beta}(\mathbb{G}^*)$
- ▶ we use the ground truth  $\sigma^*$  as the reference configuration
- ▶ this is possible thanks to the *Nishimori identity*

# The Potts antiferromagnet



Aizenman-Sims-Starr

[COKPZ18]

$$\frac{1}{n} \text{Elog } Z_{q,\beta}(\mathbb{G}^*) \leq \mathcal{B}_{q,\beta,d}(\pi^*) \leq \mathcal{B}_{q,\beta}^*(d)$$

# The Potts antiferromagnet

Theorem

[COKPZ18]

For all  $d, \beta$  we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \text{E} \log Z_{q,\beta}(\mathbb{G}^*) = \mathcal{B}_{q,\beta}^*(d)$$

*this implies the theorem about the Potts antiferromagnet on  $\mathbb{G}(n, p)$*

# The Potts antiferromagnet

Corollary

[COEJKK18]

For all  $d < d_{\text{RSB}}(q, \beta)$  the stochastic block model and the Potts antiferromagnet on  $\mathbb{G}(n, p)$  are mutually contiguous.

# Summary

- ▶ Random 2-SAT: Gibbs uniqueness
- ▶ Random  $k$ -SAT: replica symmetry breaking “by contradiction”
- ▶ Potts model: replica symmetry breaking via statistical inference

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