

Disordered Systems: Technical Tools I

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We will start by introducing some technical tools

⇒ Namely how to do M.F.T. for disordered systems
(Cavity Method ⇒ (zero temperature first))

And it's relationship to R.M.T.

We will then introduce another tool...

"Replicas"

And armed with that we will start analyzing some systems that are well described by M.F.T

→ S.K. Model + Hopfield

→ Generalize Lotka Volterra Equations

After that we will move beyond MFT, and talk about finite dimensional systems, focusing on Disorder RG + scaling..

Lets do some math:

We will be interested in solving following system of equations

$$(\lambda I + A)\vec{x} = \vec{b} \quad \text{where } A = A^T \text{ (real E.V.)}$$

and A is $N \times N$ matrix

Let us assume

$$\langle A_{ij} \rangle = \frac{\mu}{N}$$

$$\langle A_{ij} A_{kl} \rangle = \frac{(\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) \sigma_A^2}{N}$$

\vec{x} and \vec{b} and N -dimensional vectors

Interested in statistical properties as $N \rightarrow \infty$

And for now

$$b = N(\bar{b}, \sigma_b^2)$$

Why this weird scaling with N for mean and variance?

Well we need a good limit as $N \rightarrow \infty$
(Good thermodynamic limit)

Notice in component form

$$\lambda X_L + \sum_{j=1}^N A_{Lj} X_j = b_j$$

Notice that this N terms so scales

$$\sim N \langle A_{Lj} X_j \rangle \sim \text{~~N} \langle A_{Lj} X_j \rangle~~$$

So in order for this to have good limit (mean) need to scale $\frac{\mu}{N}$. . .

But first moment could converge, also need second moment to be well defined. . . similar argument

for variance is why we need second moment to scale as $\frac{1}{N}$

$$\sum_{jkl} A_{jk} X_k X_l A_{lj}$$

$$\sim \sum_{kl} X_k X_l \langle A_{jk} A_{lj} \rangle$$

$$\sim \sum_k X_k^2 \frac{\sigma^2}{N} \sim \langle X^2 \rangle \sigma^2$$

What we would like to do is understand is the solution to this

$$X = (\lambda I + A)^{-1} b$$

For example can we say something about when these solutions exist? (1) ⁽¹⁾ Properties of $\{\vec{X}\} \rightarrow$?

~~(2)~~ (3) And relatedly, eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A?


The reason we need λ is that by making it large enough or small enough we can prevent $(\lambda I + A)^{-1}$ from having zero eigenvalue?

Namely, $\lambda + \lambda_i^A \geq 0$ for all i if A has "bounded spectrum" $\lambda^{\min} \leq \lambda_i^A \leq \lambda^{\max}$ with Prob 1 as $N \rightarrow \infty \dots$

So what do we expect?

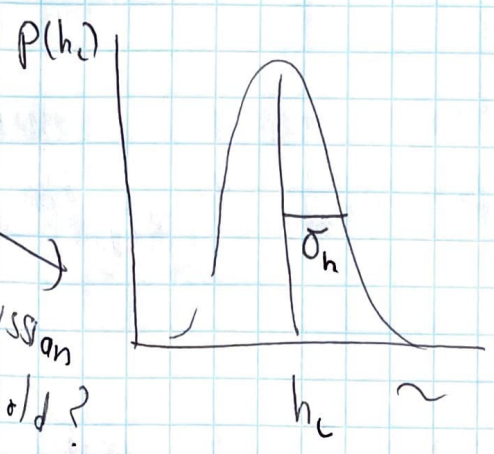
$$AX_i + \sum_j A_{ij} X_j = b_i$$

Notice that this is a mean-field

Sum of many, many variables... what do we expect this to be a Gaussian $(b_i \text{ for different } i)$
 $h_i \sim$ 

We can do two kinds of plots:

Take a large system of size $M \times N$ $M, N \gg 1$ and make a plot of the $M \times N$ h_c



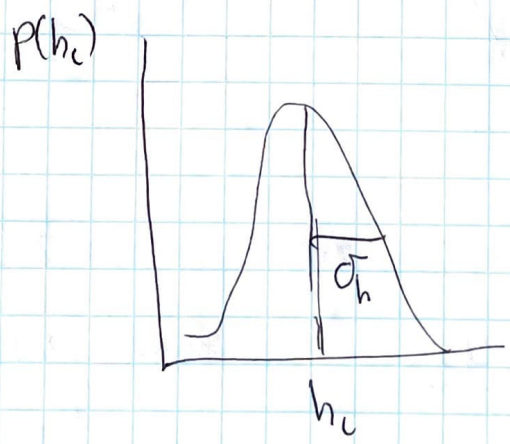
(Gaussian Mean Field + Self-Averaging = Replica Symmetric Ansatz)

When wouldn't Gaussian assumption hold?

$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{bmatrix}$ very different statistics.

has some mean \bar{h} and std dev σ_h

Or we can ~~calculate~~ consider M copies of a system of size N and consider distribution of a single fixed h_c



Since all A_y are drawn independently, we expect the system to self-average

i.e. We expect these Gaussians to be identical...

We will make use of this...

So what are means and variance of this field?

And how could we use it to calculate statistics we want?

So naively (incorrect calculation)

$$\langle [A_y X_j] \rangle \approx \sum_j \langle A_y X_j \rangle \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{j=1}^N \langle A_y \rangle X_j \approx \underline{\mu} \langle X \rangle$$

Why is this wrong?

$$\langle X \rangle \sim \frac{1}{N} \sum_j X_j$$

Well actually solution is a function of matrix elements

$$X_j(A_y) = b$$

You can easily convince yourself (and we will see below)

$$\langle A_y X_j \rangle \sim \frac{\mu}{N} X_j + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

Correction of order $\frac{1}{N}$

But since we are summing this is an order 1 correction and cannot be ignored...

So how do we do this properly and take advantage of M.F.T. to both find statistics of solutions and spectrum of A...

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Cavity Method: Idea due to Parisi, Mezard, Virasoro
later developed by Mezard, Zecchina, etc..

Basic idea relate a system with
size N to a system of size $N+1$

We expect the solutions to be perturbatively
related when $N \gg 1$...

So how does this work consider system with
new variable X_0 extra term

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \lambda X_i + \sum_{j \neq i} A_{ij} X_j + \overbrace{A_{i0} X_0}^{\text{extra term}} &= b_i \\ \lambda X_0 + \sum_j A_{0j} X_j &= b_0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} N+1 \\ \text{System} \\ \text{New equation..} \end{array}$$

Old Equations

$$\lambda X_{i0} + \sum_j A_{ij} X_{j0} = b_i \quad i=1, \dots, N$$

Notice that we can view the term $A_{i0} X_0$ as
order $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{N})$ perturbation.. $\delta b_i = -A_{i0} X_0$

So we can do perturbation theory? Ask how
does $\{X_j\}$ change when we change $\{\delta b_j\}$?

Notice we can write everything in terms of susceptibility matrices $\chi_{ij} = \frac{dX_i}{db_j}$...

$$\lambda \frac{dX_i}{db_k} + \sum_j A_{ij} \frac{dX_j}{db_k} = \delta_{ik}$$

In matrix form

$$(\lambda I + A) \chi = I \Rightarrow \chi = (\lambda I + A)^{-1}$$

So we see that susceptibility is related to inverse of our matrix...

So in particular, we can write relating solution for N+1 variables to solution for N variables as

$$X_j = X_{j|0} + \sum_k \chi_{jk} \delta b_k = X_{j|0} - \sum_k \chi_{jk} A_{k0} X_0$$

N+1 variable solution

N-variable solution

Why is this interesting
Notice

$$\langle A_{0j} X_{j|0} \rangle = \langle A_{0j} \rangle \langle X_{j|0} \rangle$$

These are uncorrelated so we can solve our problem of the fact X_j depends of matrix elements.

Let us now write the extra equation as

$$\lambda X_0 + \sum_j A_{0j} (X_{j|0} - \sum_k \chi_{jk} A_{k0} X_0) = b_0$$

Which becomes

we can calculate moments of this easily (8)

$$(\lambda - \sum_{JK} A_{0j} A_{k0} v_{JK}) X_0 = b_0 - \sum_j A_{0j} X_{j10}$$

\Rightarrow replace by expectation value to leading order in N

$$(\lambda - \sum_{JK} \frac{\delta_{JK} \sigma_A^2}{N} v_{JK}) X_0 = b_0 - \sum_j A_{0j} X_{j10}$$

$$(\lambda - \sigma_A^2 \bar{v}) X_0 = b_0 - \sum_j A_{0j} X_{j10}$$

where we have defined $\bar{v} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N v_{jj}$

This yields the "self-consistency equation"

$$X_0 = \frac{b_0 - \sum_j A_{0j} X_{j10}}{\lambda - \sigma_A^2 \bar{v}}$$

We will talk about how to analyze this properly next class...