

Statistical Physics 2: Disordered Systems and Interdisciplinary Applications

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I Large deviations and the Laplace method

$$X \text{ st. } E(X) = \mu \quad \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$$

$$u_N = \frac{1}{N} (x_1 + \dots + x_N) = \mu + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sigma z \stackrel{W(0,1)}{\sim} \quad \text{Typical fluctuations}$$

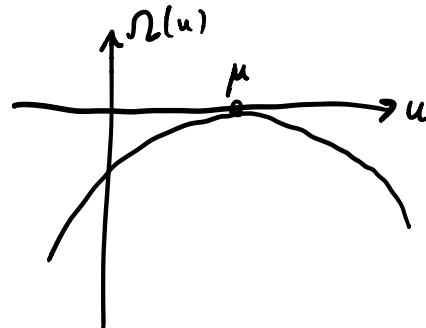
Large deviations $u_N - \mu \sim o(1)$

$$p(u) \sim e^{N \Omega(u)}$$

$$\Omega(u) = \min_{\lambda} [m(\lambda) - \lambda u]$$

$$m(\lambda) = \log M(\lambda)$$

$$M(\lambda) = E[e^{\lambda X}]$$



For a disordered system:

$$f_N = -\frac{T}{N} \log Z_N$$

1) is a random variable

2) $E(f_N) \sim o(1)$

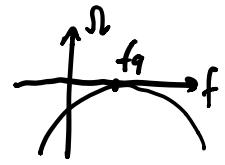
3) At least for finite

$$\text{Var}(f_N) \sim \frac{1}{N}$$

$$f_q = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E[f_N]$$

$$f_a = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{T}{N} \log E[Z_N]$$

Assume $p(f) \sim e^{N\Omega(f)}$ for large N



$$\begin{aligned} Z = e^{-N\beta f} &\Rightarrow E(Z^n) = E(e^{n\beta n N f}) \\ &= \int df e^{n[\Omega(f) - \beta n f]} \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned} f_n &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{T}{nN} \log E(Z^n) = -\frac{T}{n} \max_f [\Omega(f) - \beta n f] \\ &= \min_f \left[f - \frac{T}{n} \Omega(f) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$f_a = f_1$$

Quenched f :

a) $E(Z^n) = E(e^{n \log Z}) \sim 1 + n E(\log Z)$

$$-\frac{T}{nN} \log E(Z^n) \underset{n \rightarrow 0}{\sim} -\frac{T}{nN} \cancel{\not} E(\log Z) = f_q$$

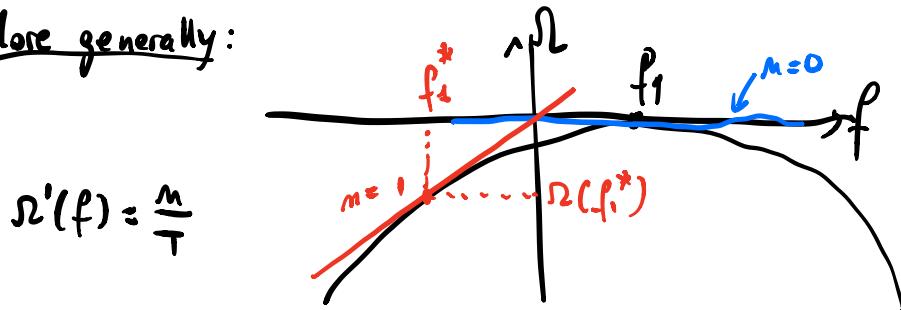
b) $\Omega(f) \sim -\frac{A}{2} (f - f_q)^2$

$$f_n = \min_f \left[f + \frac{T}{n} \frac{A}{2} (f - f_q)^2 \right]$$

$$1 + \frac{T}{n} A (f - f_q) = 0 \quad f = f_q - \frac{M}{TA}$$

$$f_N = f_q - \frac{m}{TA} + \frac{T}{\cancel{\lambda}} \frac{A}{2} \frac{m^2}{T^2 A^2} \xrightarrow{m \rightarrow 0} f_q$$

More generally:



$$R'(f) = \frac{m}{T}$$

$$f_a = f_1^* - T R(f_1^*) \quad \text{with } R'(f_1^*) = 1/T$$

$$f_a - f_q = f_1^* - \frac{R(f_1^*)}{R'(f_1^*)} - f_q = 0 \Leftrightarrow R(f_1^*) = R'(f_1^*)(f_q - f_1^*)$$

only if $R(f)$ is linear in $[f_1^*, f_q]$

If instead:

$$p(f) \sim e^{N^\alpha \omega(f)} \quad \alpha > 1 \Rightarrow f_a = f_q$$

narrower than a large deviation principle

Recap:

$$1) \quad f_q = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\frac{T}{N} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log E(z^n) \right] \quad (\text{trial})$$

$$2) \quad \text{If } p(f) \sim e^{N R(f)} \quad \text{we can exchange} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$f_q = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{Nn} \log E(z^n) \neq f_a$$

3) If $p(f) \sim e^{N^\alpha w(f)}$ $\alpha > 1$

$$f_q = f_a$$

II The REM with replicas

1. Calculation of f_n

$$\underline{\sigma} = (\pm 1 \dots \pm 1) \quad 2^N \text{ configurations}$$

$$H(\underline{\sigma}) \quad i.i.d. \text{ Gaussian} \quad E[H(\underline{\sigma})] = 0$$

$$E[H(\underline{\sigma}) H(\underline{\tau})] = \frac{N}{2} \delta_{\underline{\sigma}, \underline{\tau}}$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$E(z^n) = E \left[\left(\sum_{\underline{\sigma}} e^{-\beta H(\underline{\sigma})} \right)^n \right] = \sum_{\underline{\sigma}_1 \dots \underline{\sigma}_n} E \left(e^{-\beta H(\underline{\sigma}_1)} \dots e^{-\beta H(\underline{\sigma}_n)} \right)$$

We need to count how many replicas are in the same config.

Encoded in a matrix $\Delta_{ab} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \underline{\sigma}_a = \underline{\sigma}_b \\ 0 & \text{if } \underline{\sigma}_a \neq \underline{\sigma}_b \end{cases} = \delta_{\underline{\sigma}_a, \underline{\sigma}_b}$

$$\Delta_{ab} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \overbrace{m_1} & \overbrace{m_2} & \overbrace{m_3} & & & & \\ \hline 11 & 000 & 00 & 111 & 00 & & \\ 11 & 000 & 00 & 111 & 00 & & \\ 00 & 111 & 00 & 111 & 00 & & \\ 00 & 111 & 00 & 111 & 00 & & \\ 00 & 000 & 11 & 000 & 11 & & \end{array} \right) \quad \text{a } n \times n \text{ matrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}\left(e^{-\beta \sum_a H(\sigma_a)}\right) &= \mathbb{E}\left(e^{-\beta(u_1 E_1 + u_2 E_2 + \dots + u_k E_k)}\right) \\
&= \mathbb{E}(e^{-\beta u_1 E_1}) \dots \mathbb{E}(e^{-\beta u_k E_k}) \\
&= e^{\frac{\beta^2 N}{4} (u_1^2 + \dots + u_k^2)} \\
&= e^{\frac{\beta^2 N}{4} \sum_{ab} \Delta_{ab}}
\end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{E}(e^{\lambda X}) = e^{\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \mathbb{E}(X^2)}$
centered Gaussian

$$\mathbb{E}(z^n) = \underbrace{\sum_{\Delta} e^{\frac{\beta^2 N}{4} \sum_{ab} \Delta_{ab}}}_{\text{energy}} \underbrace{\sum_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n} \prod_{ab} \mathbb{1}[\Delta_{ab} = \delta_{\sigma_a \sigma_b}]}_{\text{entropy } e^{NS(\Delta)}}$$

how many ways to arrange
the n configs. in the way
defined by Δ

$$e^{NS(\Delta)} = 2^N (2^N - 1) (2^N - 2) \dots (2^N - k) \sim 2^{NK}$$

$$S(\Delta) = K \log 2$$

$$f_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{T}{Nn} \log \mathbb{E}(z^n) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{T}{Nn} \log \sum_{\Delta} e^{N \left[\frac{\beta^2}{4} \sum_{ab} \Delta_{ab} + S(\Delta) \right]}$$

$$= -\frac{T}{n} \max_{\Delta} \left[\frac{\beta^2}{4} \sum_{ab} \Delta_{ab} + S(\Delta) \right]$$

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(minus) energy: entropy is maximized
 energy is minimized by each replica in a
 by all replicas in the different block
 same block ($K=1$) ($K=n$)

- We reduced a 2^N sum to a max over $n \times n$ matrices
- but: only for integer $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

How to take $n \rightarrow 0$?

2. The replica symmetric ansatz

All replicas equivalent $\Delta_{ab} = \delta_{ab} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$K=n$ blocks

$$f_n = -\frac{T}{n} \left(\frac{\beta^2}{4} n + n \log 2 \right) = -\frac{\beta}{4} T \log 2 = f_a$$

$$RS \Rightarrow f_n = f_a \text{ independent of } n \Rightarrow f_q = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} f_n = f_a$$

$$P(f \neq f_q) \sim \exp N^\alpha \quad \alpha > 1$$

Correct for $T > T_c = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\log 2}}$

3. Replica symmetry breaking

The RS solution maximizes the entropy
(all replicas in different blocks)

Form a few blocks to lower the energy

Simplest choice: $\frac{m}{m}$ blocks, each of m replicas

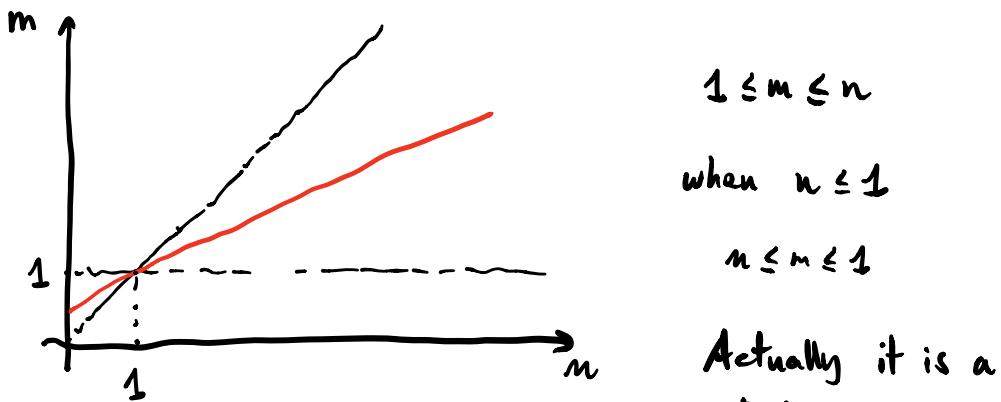
$$\Delta_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} m & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \\ & \vdots & & \\ 0 & 0 & & \end{pmatrix}$$

m variational parameter

$$S = \frac{n}{m} \log 2$$

$$\sum_{ab} \Delta_{ab} = \frac{m}{m} m^2 = nm$$

$$f_n = -\frac{T}{n} \max_m \left[\frac{\beta^2}{4} mn + \frac{m}{m} \log 2 \right] = \min_m \left[-\frac{\beta}{4} m - \frac{T}{m} \log 2 \right]$$



$$f_q = \min_{m \in [0,1]} \left[-\frac{\beta}{4} m - \frac{T}{m} \log 2 \right]$$

Saddle point over $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ elements

$T \leq T_c$

$$-\frac{\beta}{4} + \frac{T}{m^2} \log 2 = 0$$

$$m^* = \frac{T}{T_c} \quad T_c = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\log 2}}$$

$$1) T = T_c \quad m^* = 1$$

$$2) f_q = -\sqrt{\log 2}$$

Remember from p2:

$$Y = 1 - \frac{T}{T_c} \quad \text{prob. of extracting twice the same } \Omega \text{ from Gibbs}$$

n replicas $\frac{m}{m}$ blocks of m replicas

$\frac{m(m-1)}{2}$ pairs : $\frac{m(m-1)}{2}$ in same state , $\frac{m(m-m)}{2}$ in diff. states

$$Y = \frac{m-1}{n-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow 0} 1-m = 1 - \frac{T}{T_c} \Rightarrow \boxed{0 \leq m \leq 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\Delta) &= P(\Delta_{ab} = \Delta) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{a < b} \delta_{\Delta, \Delta_{ab}} \\
 &= \frac{m-1}{m-1} \delta_{\Delta, 1} + \frac{m-m}{m-1} \delta_{\Delta, 0} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow 0} (1-m) \delta_{\Delta, 1} + m \delta_{\Delta, 0}
 \end{aligned}$$