

Griffiths-type theorems for short-range spin glass models

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Griffiths' theorem for the ferromagnetic Ising model



Ising model on the $L \times \dots \times L$ hypercubic lattice

Hamiltonian $H_L(\sigma) = - \sum_{\langle x,y \rangle} \sigma_x \sigma_y$

two ways of characterizing the ferromagnetic order

long-range order

$$\mu_{\text{LRO}} = \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} \sqrt{L^{-2d} \sum_{x,y} \langle \sigma_x \sigma_y \rangle_{L,\beta}} > 0$$

correlation $\langle \sigma_x \sigma_y \rangle_\beta$ does not vanish as $|x - y| \uparrow \infty$

spontaneous magnetization

$$\mu_{\text{SM}} = - \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{\partial f(\beta, h)}{\partial h} > 0$$

the free energy is non-differentiable at $h = 0$

infinitesimal magnetic field causes nonzero magnetization

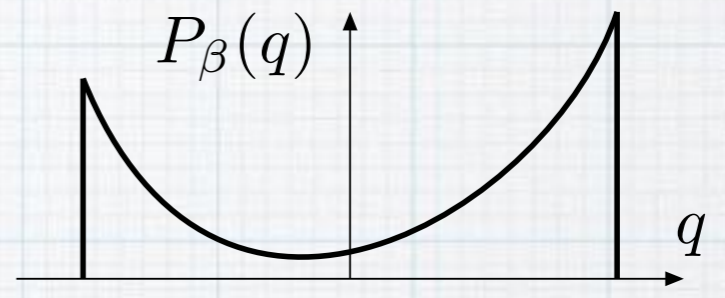
spontaneous symmetry breaking

THEOREM: (Griffiths 1966) $\mu_{\text{SM}} \geq \mu_{\text{LRO}}$

different characterizations of spin glass order

broadening of the overlap distribution

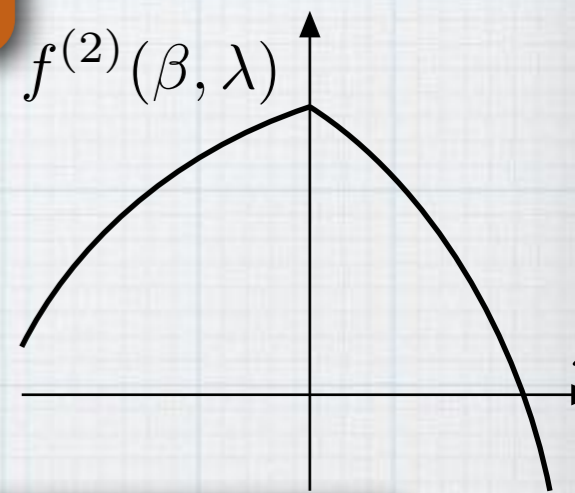
$$q_{br} = \sqrt{\langle R^2 \rangle - (\langle R \rangle)^2} > 0$$



non-differentiability of the 2-replica free energy

$$q_{jump} = -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \lim_{\lambda \downarrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(2)}(\beta, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} - \lim_{\lambda \uparrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(2)}(\beta, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \overline{\langle R \rangle}_+ - \overline{\langle R \rangle}_- \right\} > 0$$

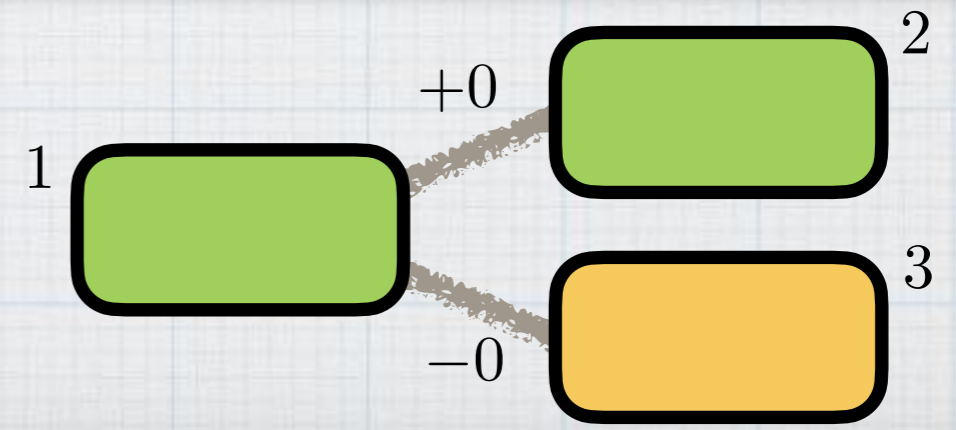


$q_{jump} = q_{EA} = \overline{\langle R \rangle}_+ > 0$ **models without magnetic field**

literal breakdown of replica symmetry in the 3-replica system

$$q_{rsb} = -\lim_{\lambda \downarrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(3)}(\beta, \lambda, -\lambda)}{\partial \lambda}$$

$$= \overline{\langle R^{12} \rangle} - \overline{\langle R^{13} \rangle} > 0$$



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Edwards-Anderson (EA) model with a magnetic field

periodic b.c. (in this video)

Λ_L : d -dimensional $L \times \dots \times L$ hypercubic lattice

$\sigma_x = \pm 1$: spin on $x \in \Lambda_L$ $\sigma = (\sigma_x)_{x \in \Lambda_L}$: spin configuration

Hamiltonian $H_L(\sigma) = - \sum_{\langle x, y \rangle} J_{xy} \sigma_x \sigma_y - \sum_{x \in \Lambda_L} h_x \sigma_x$

nearest neighbor pairs in Λ_L

$J_{xy} = J_{yx} \in \mathbb{R}$ random interaction (i.i.d.)

$h_x \in \mathbb{R}$ random (or non-random) magnetic field (i.i.d.)

the equilibrium state at β in the limit $L \uparrow \infty$

standard EA model ($h_x = 0$ for all x)

may exhibit a spin glass phase if $d \geq 3$

EA model with a magnetic field

not known if it exhibits a spin glass phase in $d = 3$

it probably has a spin glass phase if $d > 6$

Edwards-Anderson (EA) model with a

video)

we do not discuss the existence or the nature of the spin glass phase, but study the relations between different characterizations of "spin glass order"

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nearest neighbor pairs in Λ_L

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$h_x \in \mathbb{R}$ random (or non-random) local field (i.i.d.)

but the nature of the phase is still controversial!

the equilibrium state at β in the

standard AE model ($h_x = 0$ for all x)

this is also controversial!

a spin glass phase if $d \geq 3$

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replica overlap and the broadening order parameter q_{br}

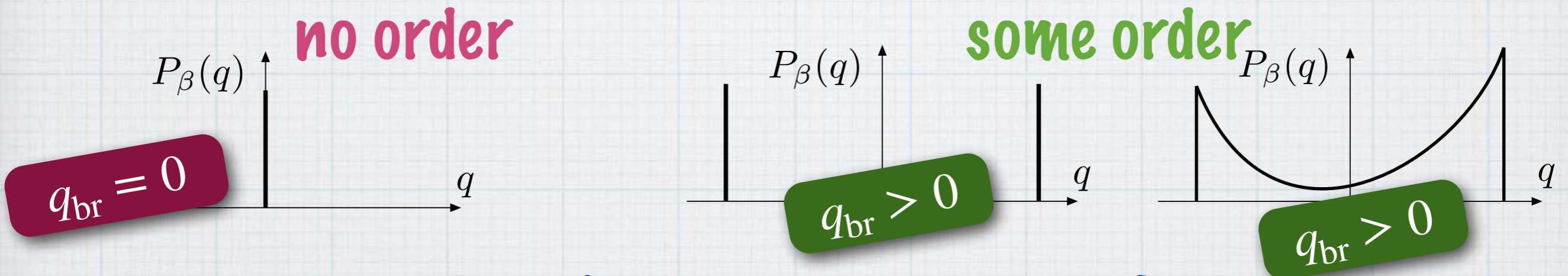
expectation value for two independent replicas

$$\langle \dots \rangle_{L,\beta}^{(2)} = \sum_{\sigma^1, \sigma^2} (\dots) \frac{e^{-\beta H_L(\sigma^1)}}{Z_L(\beta)} \frac{e^{-\beta H_L(\sigma^2)}}{Z_L(\beta)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \sigma^1 = (\sigma_x^1)_{x \in \Lambda_L} \\ \sigma^2 = (\sigma_x^2)_{x \in \Lambda_L} \end{array}$$

replica overlap $R = L^{-d} \sum_x \sigma_x^1 \sigma_x^2$

random average

replica overlap distribution $P_\beta(q) = \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} \overline{\langle \delta(R - q) \rangle_{L,\beta}^{(2)}}$



order = broadening of $P_\beta(q)$ can be quantified by

$$q_{br} = \sqrt{\int dq q^2 P_\beta(q) - \left\{ \int dq q P_\beta(q) \right\}^2} = \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} \sqrt{\langle R^2 \rangle_{L,\beta}^{(2)} - \left(\langle R \rangle_{L,\beta}^{(2)} \right)^2}$$

non-differentiability of the 2-replica free energy and the jump order parameter q_{jump}

two replicas with explicit coupling $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

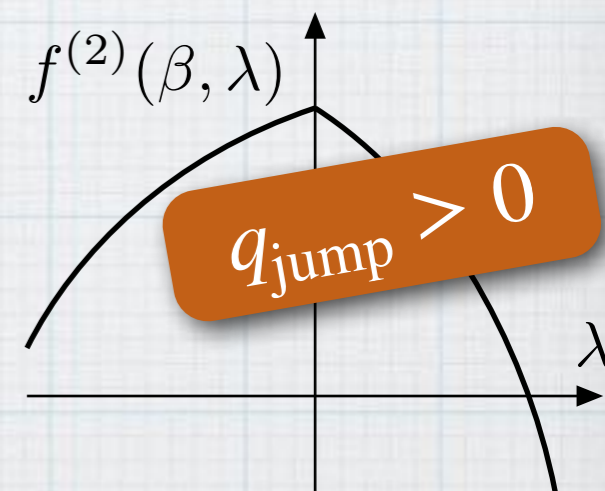
Hamiltonian $H_L(\sigma^1, \sigma^2; \lambda) = H_L(\sigma^1) + H_L(\sigma^2) - \lambda \sigma^1 \cdot \sigma^2$

free energy $f^{(2)}(\beta, \lambda) = - \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta L^d} \log \sum_{\sigma^1, \sigma^2} e^{-\beta H_L(\sigma^1, \sigma^2; \lambda)}$

if the system has any order, $f^{(2)}$ should be singular at $\lambda = 0$

$$q_{\text{jump}} = -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \lim_{\lambda \downarrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(2)}(\beta, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} - \lim_{\lambda \uparrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(2)}(\beta, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right\}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \overline{\langle R \rangle_{\beta, \lambda=+0}^{(2)}} - \overline{\langle R \rangle_{\beta, \lambda=-0}^{(2)}} \right\}$$

van Enter, Griffiths 1983



$q_{\text{jump}} > 0 \iff f^{(2)}$ is non-differentiable at $\lambda = 0$

for the standard EA model without a magnetic field

$$q_{\text{jump}} = q_{\text{EA}} = \overline{\langle R \rangle_{\beta, \lambda=+0}^{(2)}}$$

EA order parameter

the first and the second theorems

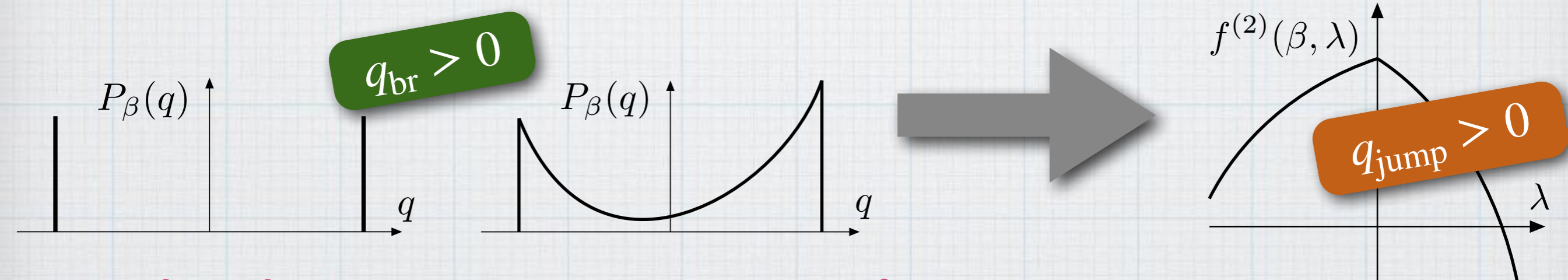
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straight forward extension of Griffiths' theorem

THEOREM 2: in the general EA model,

one has $\frac{(q_{\text{br}})^2}{4} \leq q_{\text{jump}}$

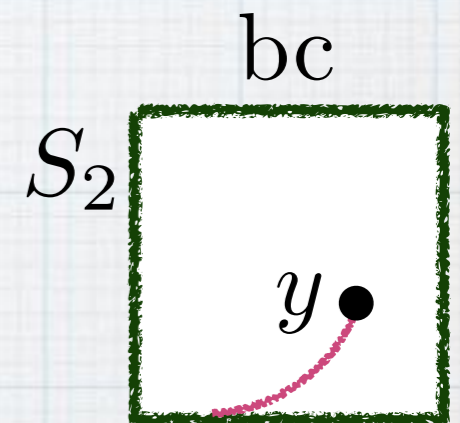
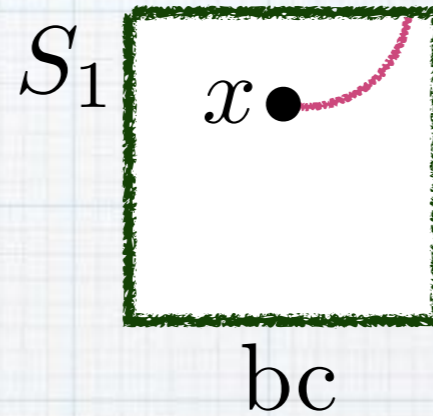
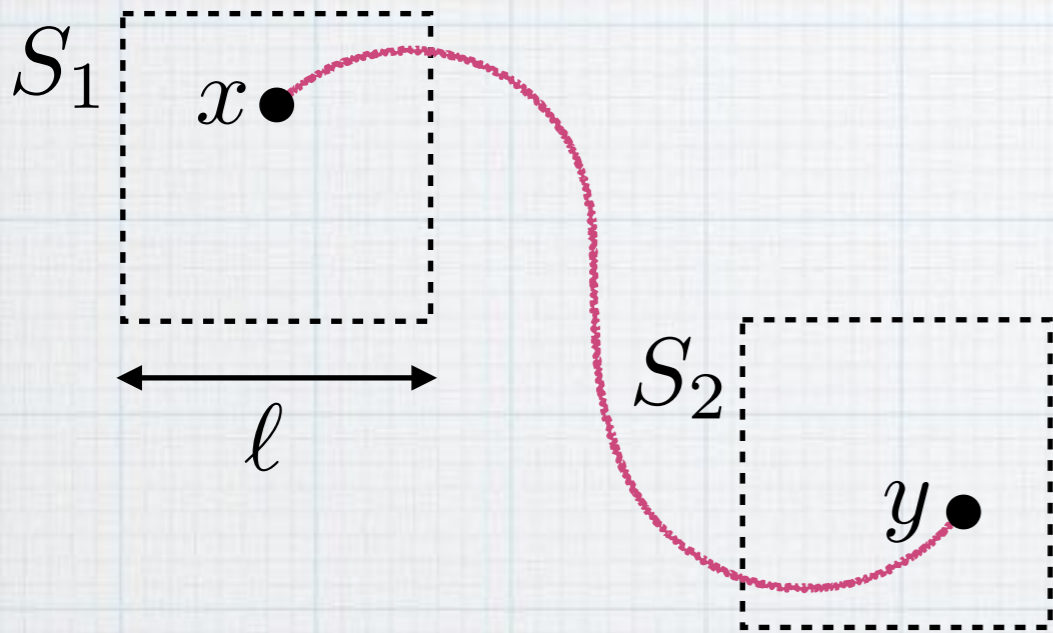
broadening of the overlap distribution implies non-differentiability of the two-replica free energy



the theorems can be proved for any classical spin glass model with short-range interaction and bounded spins

the idea of the proof (for the EA model)

$$q_{\text{br}} = \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} \sqrt{\langle R^2 \rangle_{L, \beta}^{(2)}} = \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} L^{-d} \sqrt{\sum_{x, y \in \Lambda_L} (\langle \sigma_x \sigma_y \rangle_{L, \beta})^2}$$



$$\sum_{\substack{x \in S_1 \\ y \in S_2}} (\langle \sigma_x \sigma_y \rangle_{L, \beta})^2 \leq \max_{bc} \sum_{x \in S_1} (\langle \sigma_x \rangle_{\ell, \beta, bc})^2 \max_{bc} \sum_{y \in S_2} (\langle \sigma_y \rangle_{\ell, \beta, bc})^2$$

Tasaki 1989

Edwards-Anderson order parameter

$$q_{\text{EA}} := \lim_{\ell \uparrow \infty} \frac{1}{\ell^d} \max_{bc} \sum_{x \in \Lambda_\ell} (\langle \sigma_x \rangle_{\ell, \beta, bc})^2 = - \lim_{\lambda \downarrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(2)}(\beta, \lambda)}{\lambda}$$

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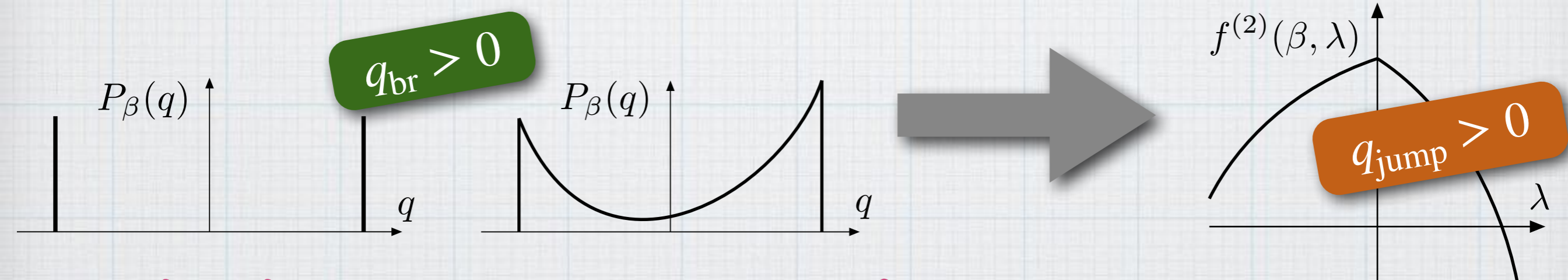
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3-replica free energy and the literal replica symmetry breaking (RSB) order parameter q_{rsb}

Guerra 2013

three replicas with explicit couplings $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{R}$

Hamiltonian

$$H_L(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \sigma^3; \lambda, \lambda') = H_L(\sigma^1) + H_L(\sigma^2) + H_L(\sigma^3)$$

free energy

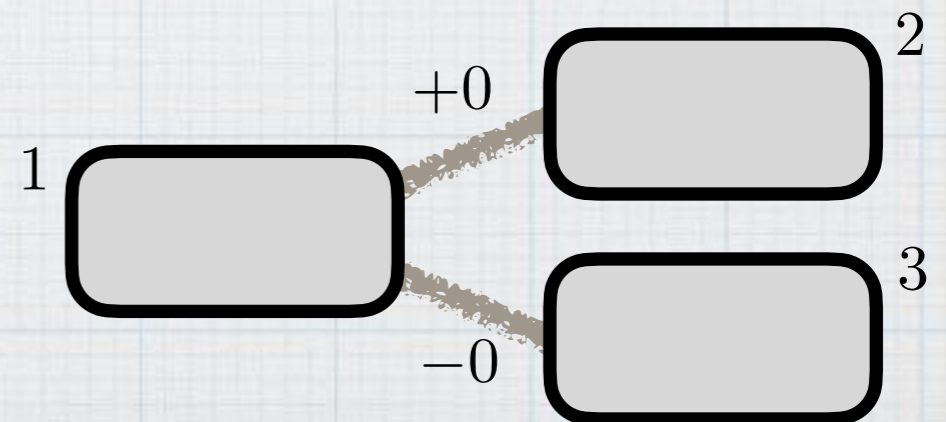
$$- \lambda \sigma^1 \cdot \sigma^2 - \lambda' \sigma^1 \cdot \sigma^3$$

$$f^{(3)}(\beta, \lambda, \lambda') = - \lim_{L \uparrow \infty} \frac{1}{\beta L^d} \log \sum_{\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \sigma^3} e^{-\beta H_L(\sigma^1, \sigma^2, \sigma^3; \lambda, \lambda')}$$

the measure of spontaneous breakdown of the permutation symmetry of the three replicas

$$q_{\text{rsb}} = - \lim_{\lambda \downarrow 0} \frac{\partial f^{(3)}(\beta, \lambda, -\lambda)}{\partial \lambda}$$

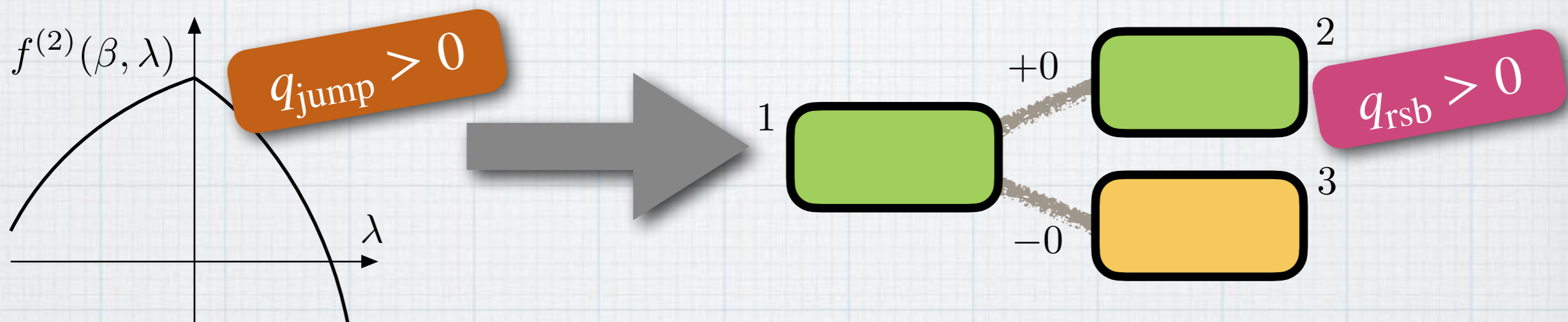
$$= \overline{\langle R^{12} \rangle} - \overline{\langle R^{13} \rangle}$$



the third theorem

THEOREM 3: in almost any spin glass model (including long-range models), one has $2 q_{\text{jump}} \leq q_{\text{rsb}}$

non-differentiability of the two-replica free energy implies literal replica symmetry breaking



that $q_{\text{jump}} > 0$ has been proved (only) in long-range spin glass models such as the Sherrington-Kirkpatrick (SK) model (with or without a magnetic field) and the random energy model

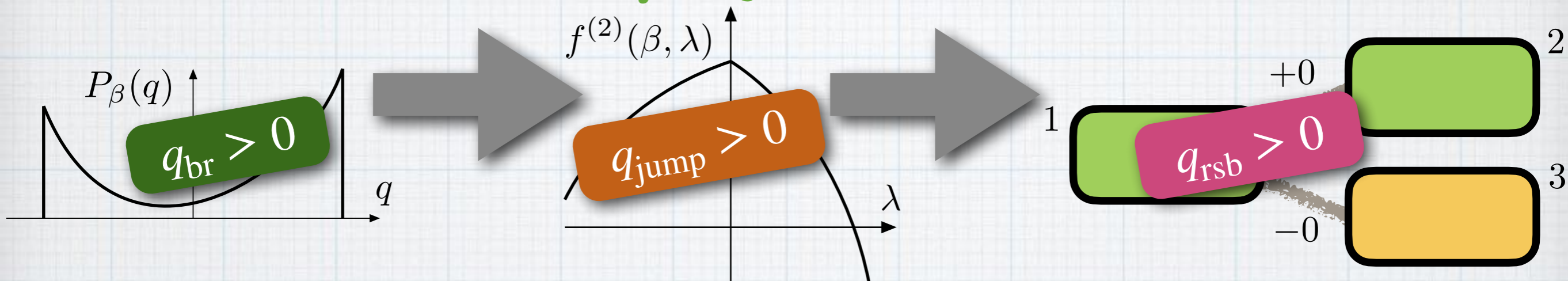
Talagrand 2003, 2011, Guerra 2013

Theorem 3 establishes that these models exhibit literal replica symmetry breaking

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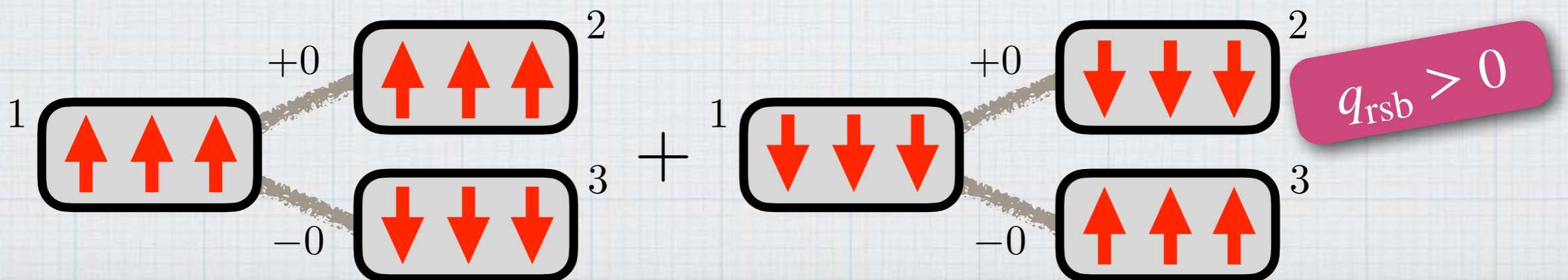
limitation of the theory

we established relations between the different characterizations of "spin glass order"



none of the conditions have been proved rigorously for short-range spin glass models

these conditions do not always imply spin glass order.
in the ferromagnetic Ising model, $\mu_{SM} > 0$ implies $q_{br} > 0$,
 $q_{jump} > 0$, and $q_{rsb} > 0$



spin glass models under a magnetic field

our theory is probably most meaningful for (short-range) spin glass models under a (random or non-random) magnetic field, which have no obvious symmetry

single system



spin glass order

no symmetry breaking
(in the standard sense)

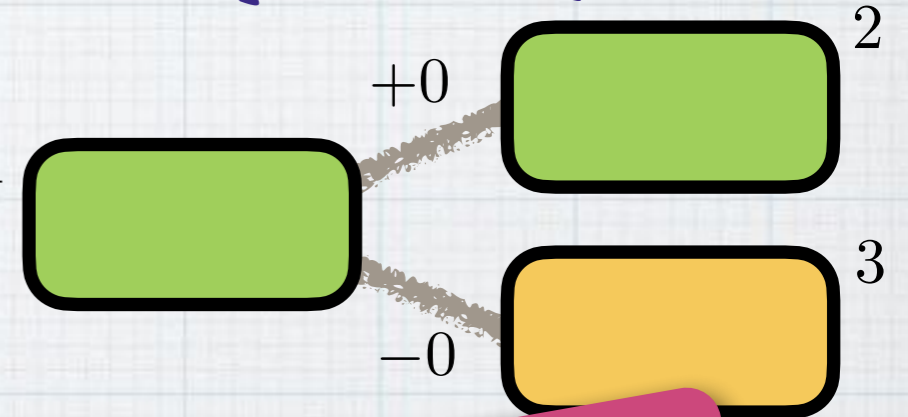
2-replica system



$q_{br} > 0$

$q_{jump} > 0$

3-replica system



$q_{rsb} > 0$

manifest spontaneous
symmetry breaking

it may be that there is no spin glass order in $d = 3$

summary

✓ we proved inequalities for general short-range spin glass models that clarify the relations between different characterizations of “spin glass order”

✓ we proved that $q_{\text{br}} > 0$ implies $q_{\text{jump}} > 0$, and then $q_{\text{jump}} > 0$ implies $q_{\text{rsb}} > 0$

✓ the theory has an interesting implication in a model with a magnetic field. such a model does not exhibit a symmetry breaking by itself but may exhibit spontaneous breakdown of replica permutation symmetry in the 3-replica system

✓ our inequality may be used to prove the absence of spin glass order in some short-range models