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very stable

unstable
(saddle)

marginally
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less stable





What landscapes?

Gaussian random functions H on the N -dimensional hypersphere with

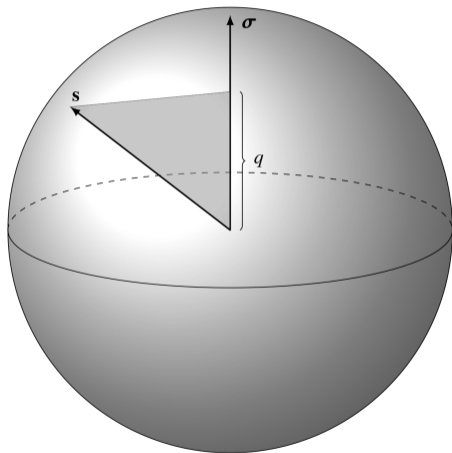
$$\overline{H(\mathbf{s})H(\boldsymbol{\sigma})} = \frac{1}{N} f\left(\frac{\mathbf{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{N}\right)$$

Important to

- ▶ Mean-field glass and spin-glass physics (*pure and mixed spherical models*)
- ▶ Inference applied to signal detection (*spiked tensor model*)

This talk: mixed $p + s$ models of the form

$$f(q) = \frac{1}{2}[\lambda q^p + (1 - \lambda)q^s]$$



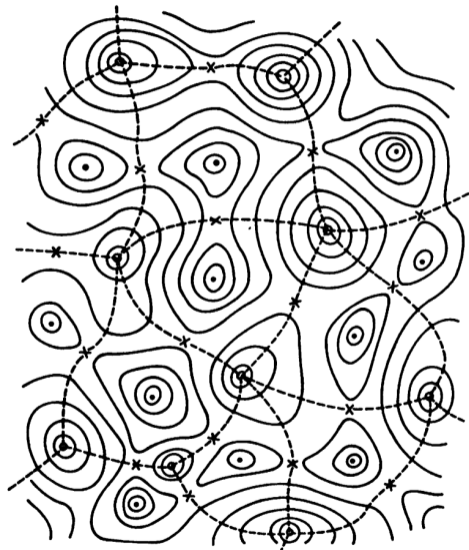
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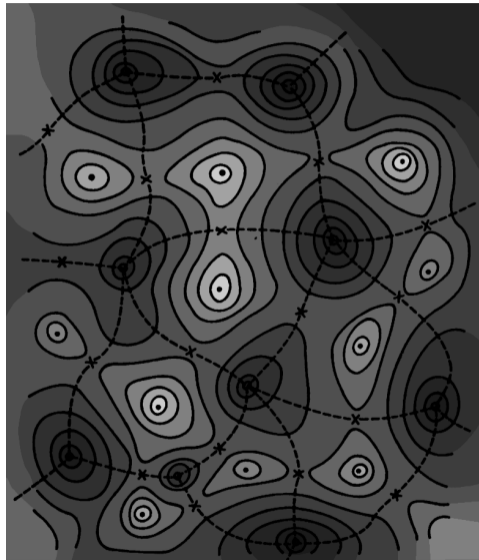
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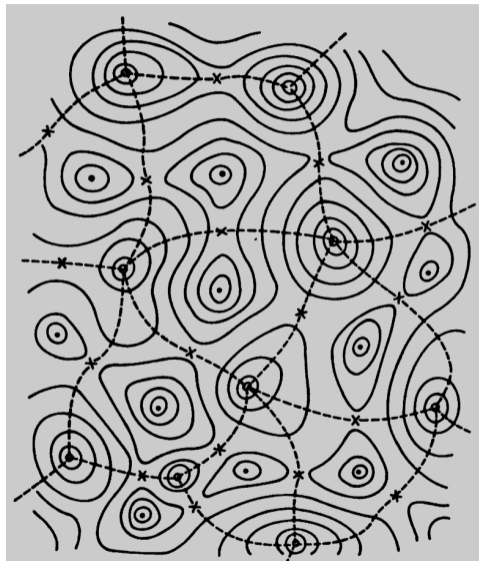
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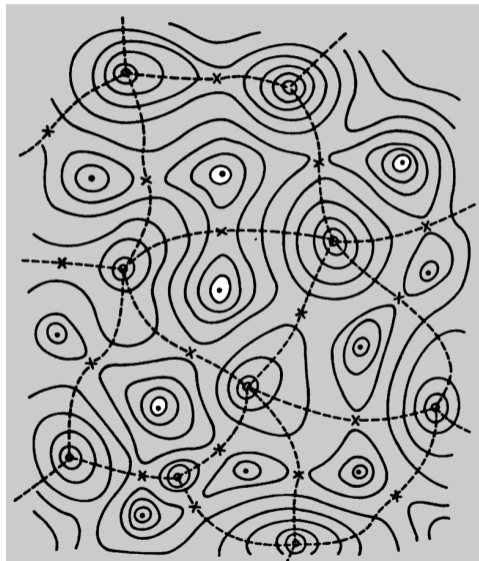
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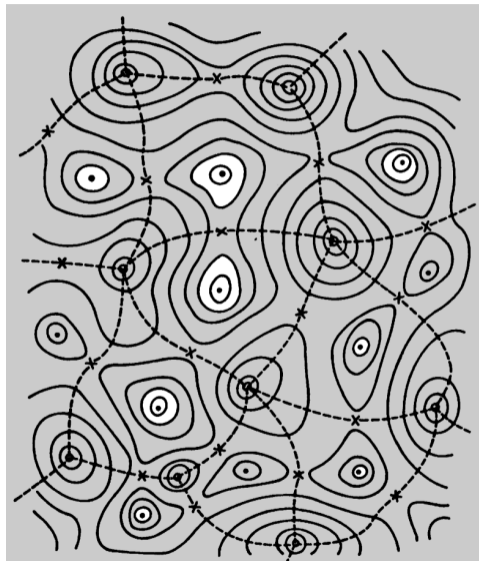
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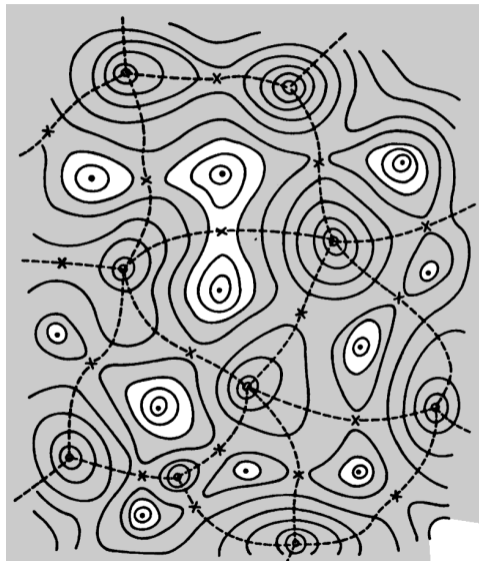
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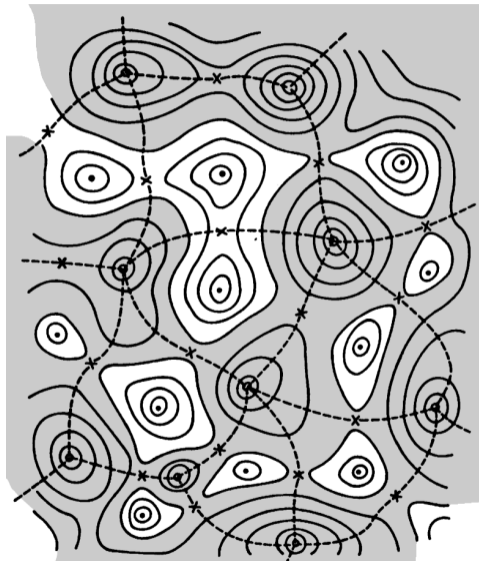
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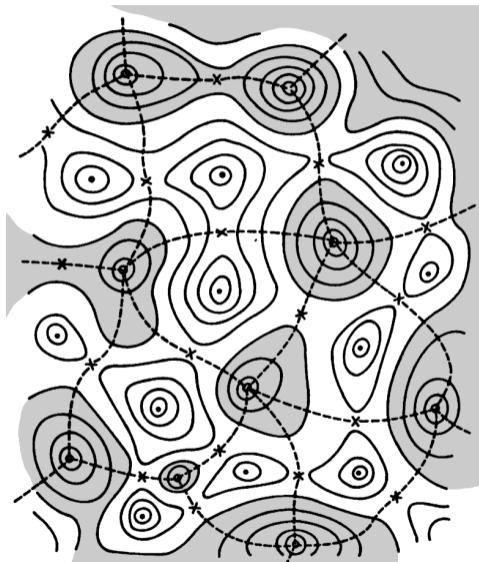
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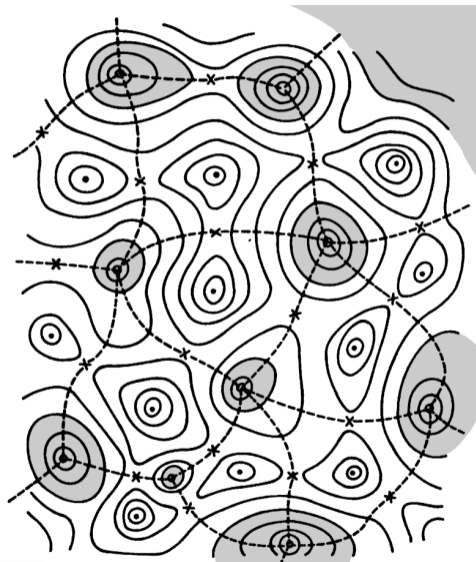
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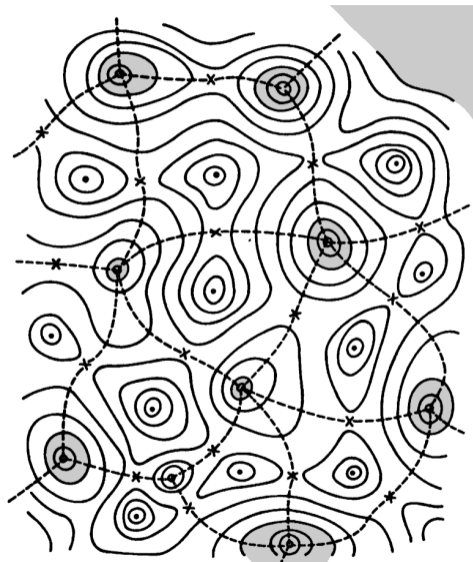
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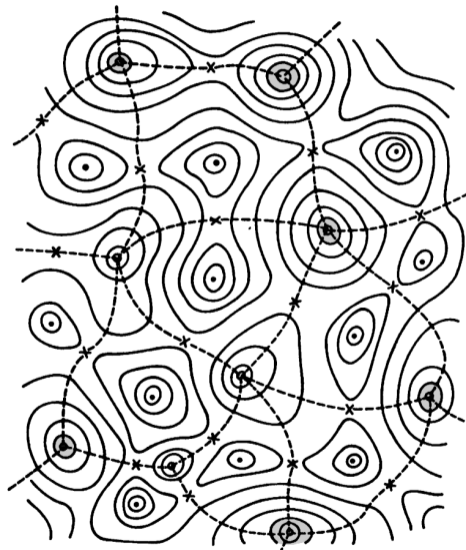
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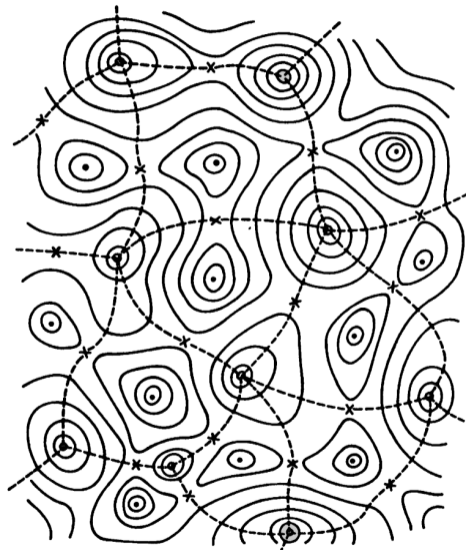
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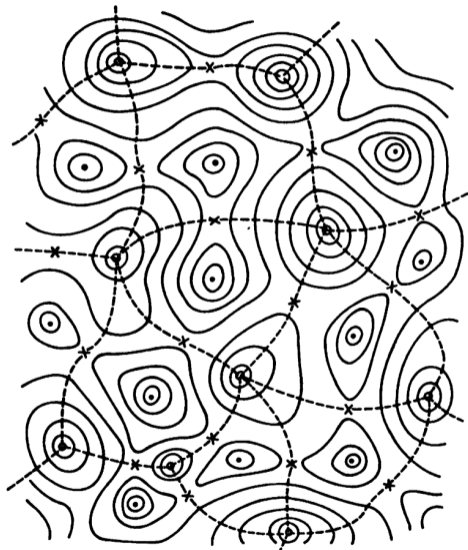
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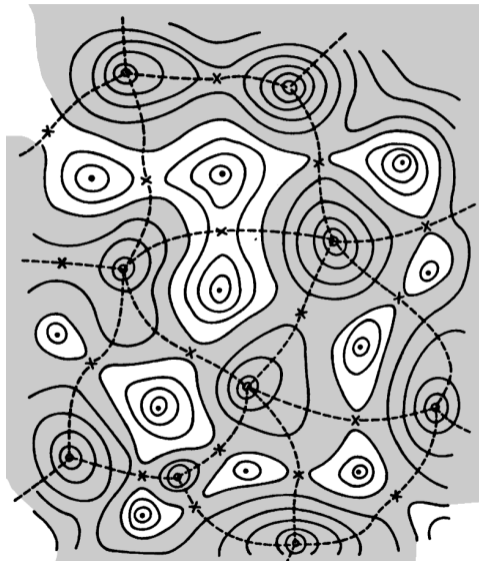
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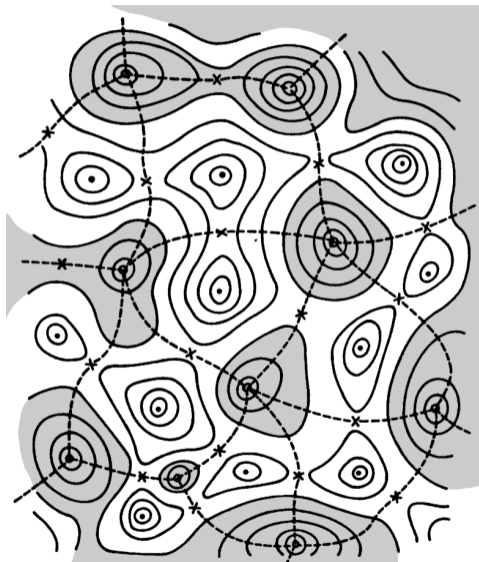
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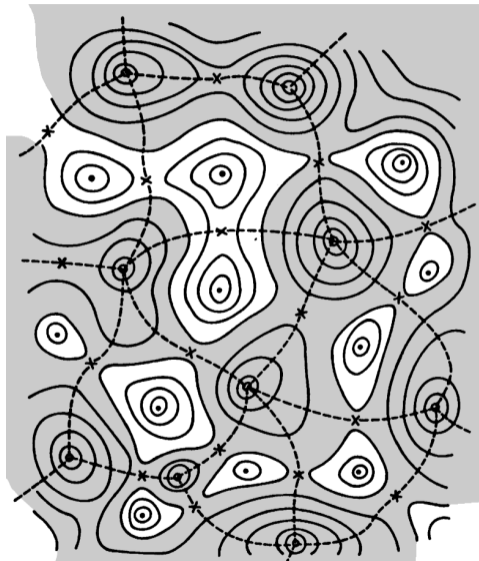
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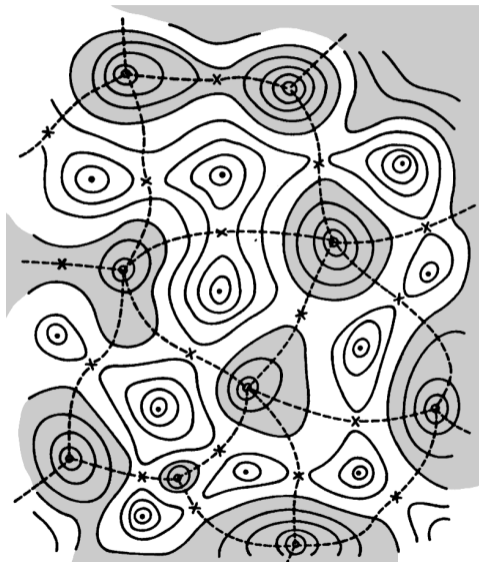
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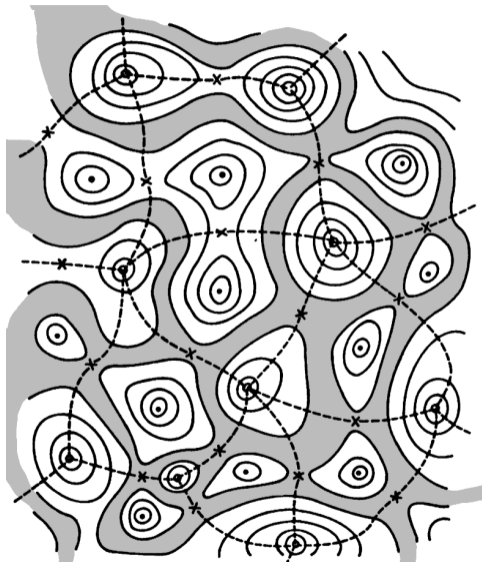
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over Kac–Rice measure

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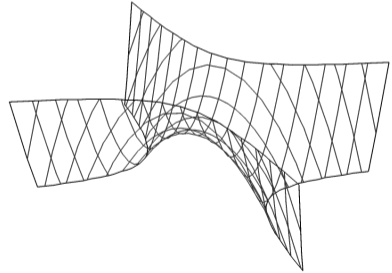
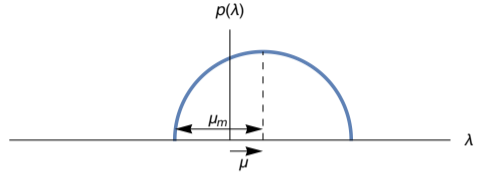
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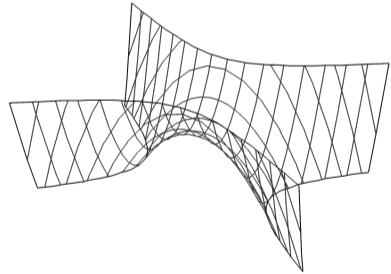
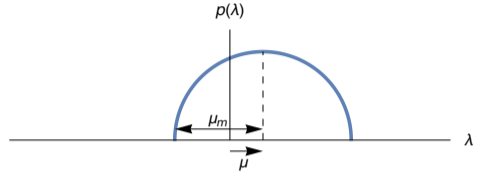
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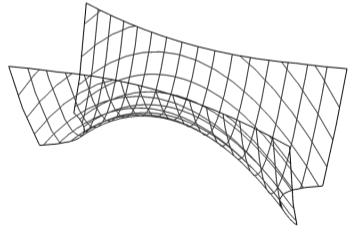
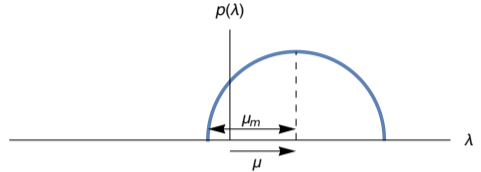
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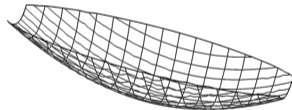
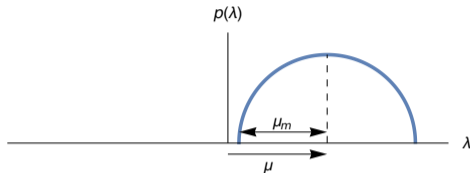
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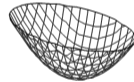
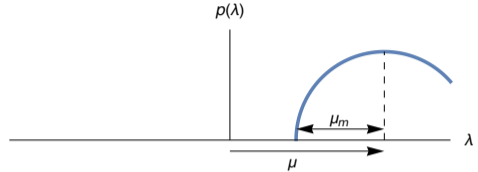
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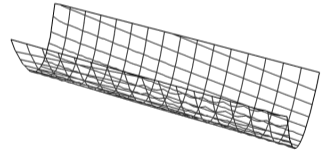
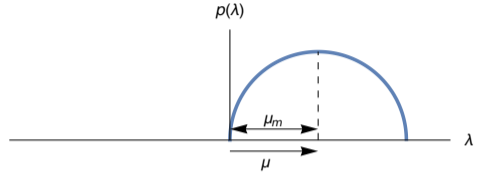
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After manipulations, (quenched) complexity given by integral over three $n \times n$ matrix order parameters (and two scalar order parameters)

$$\Sigma(E, \mu) = \frac{1}{N} \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \int dC dR dD d\hat{\beta} d\hat{\mu} e^{nNS(C, R, D, \hat{\beta}, \hat{\mu})}$$

C, R, D describe clustering structure of stationary points with (E, μ)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}(C, R, D, \hat{\beta}, \hat{\mu}) = & \mathcal{D}(\mu) + \hat{\beta}E - \frac{1}{2}\hat{\mu} + \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\hat{\mu} \text{Tr } C - \mu \text{Tr } R \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \left[\hat{\beta}^2 f(C_{ab}) + (2\hat{\beta}R_{ab} - D_{ab})f'(C_{ab}) + R_{ab}^2 f''(C_{ab}) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \ln \det \begin{bmatrix} C & iR \\ iR & D \end{bmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating integral by method of steepest descent requires finding saddles of \mathcal{S}

How to count near the ground state

There is an exact correspondence between zero-temperature limit of equilibrium and ground state of complexity:

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} Q \iff \lim_{E \rightarrow E_{\text{gs}}} [C, D, R, \hat{\beta}, \hat{\mu}]$$

If Q is k RSB then C, D, R are $(k - 1)$ RSB



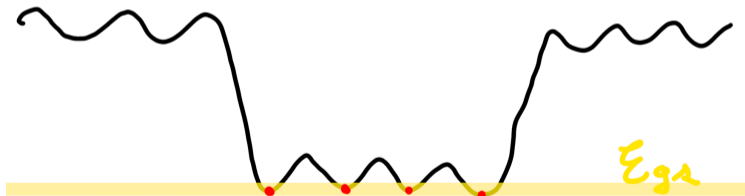
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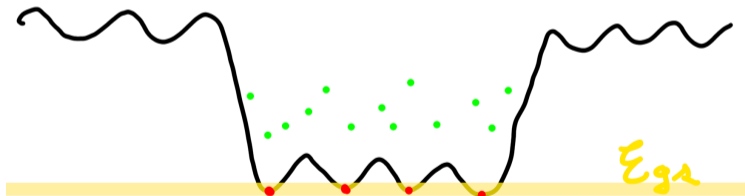
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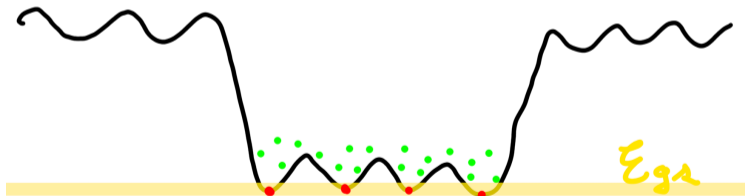
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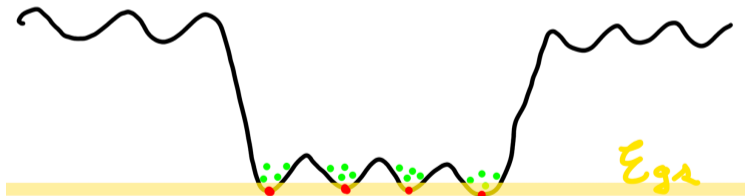
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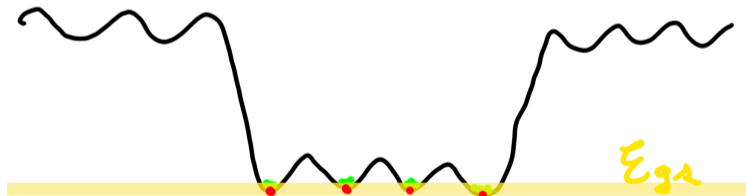
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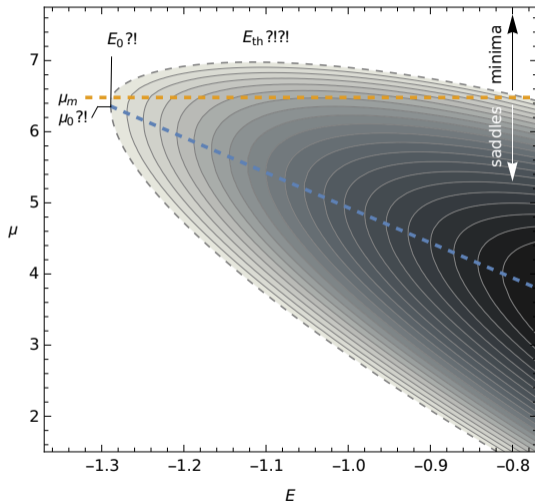
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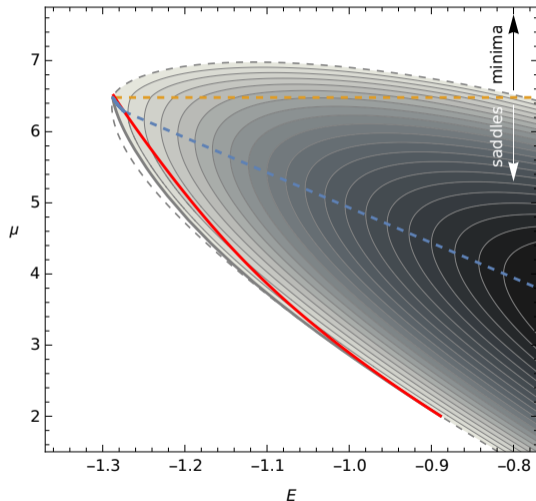
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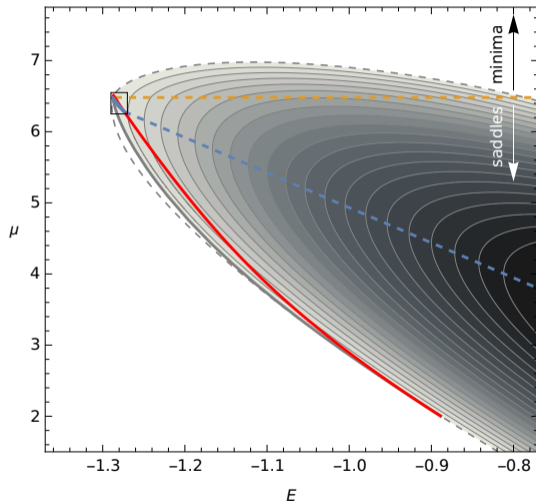
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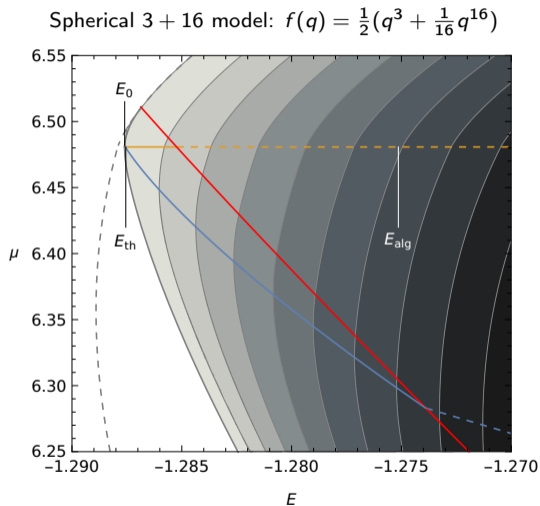
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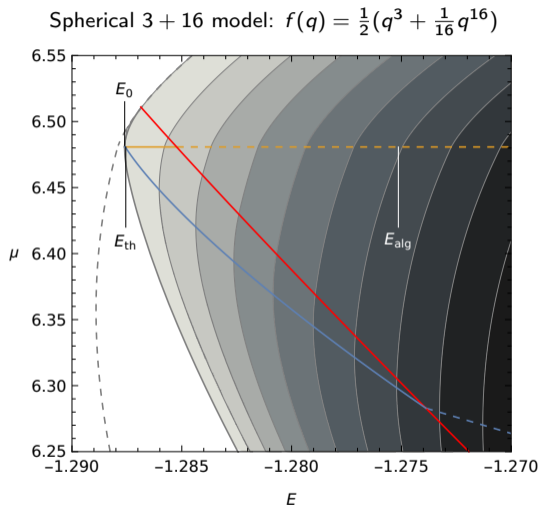
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How to count in hierarchical landscapes: full RSB

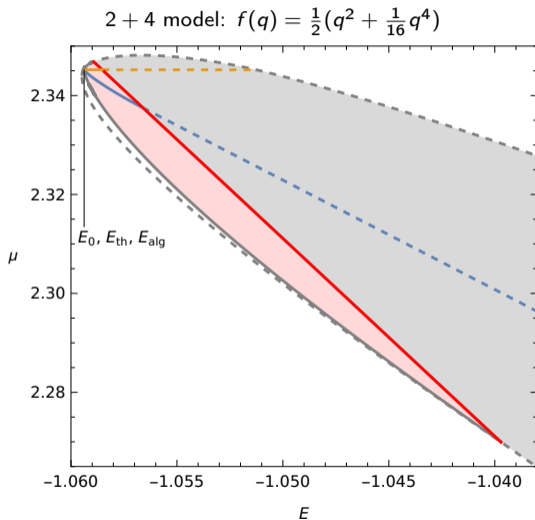
Example: $2 + 4$ model with full RSB equilibrium.

Quenched complexity predicts full RSB clustering among certain minima and saddles, marginal ground state.

Straightforward to extend to arbitrary RSB orders and other models

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Conclusions

We compute complexity for nontrivial RSB orders using a mapping with equilibrium at the ground state.

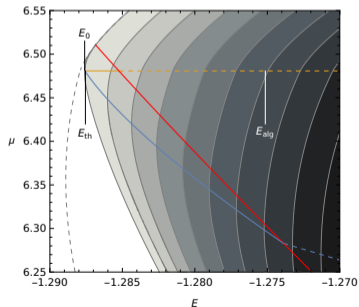
Examples show novel structure, including clustering among saddle points at high energy densities.

In general models, quenched complexity does not explain dynamic thresholds

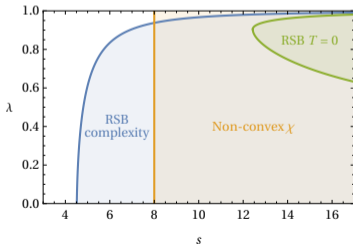


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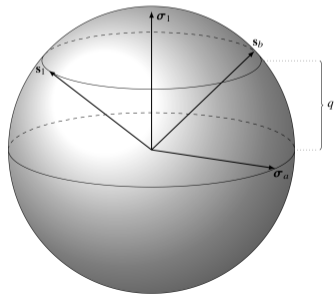
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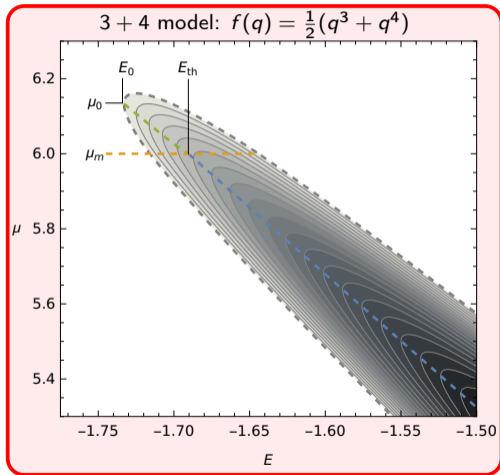
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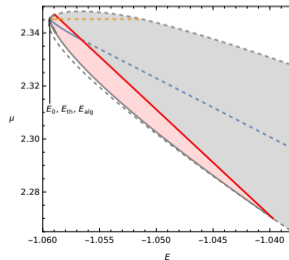
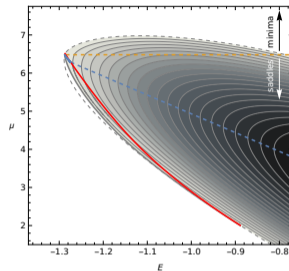
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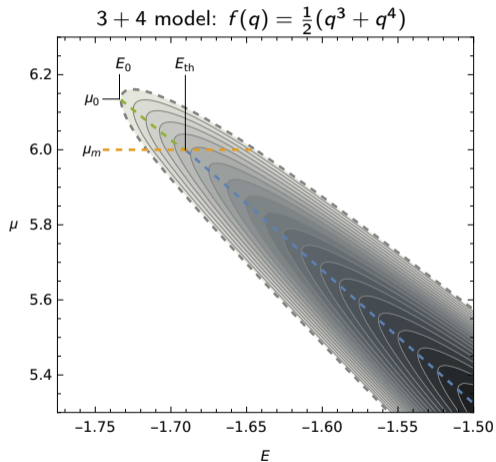
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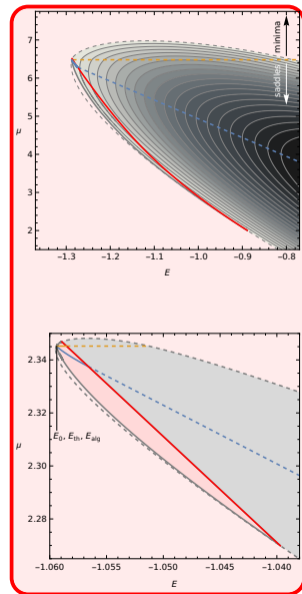
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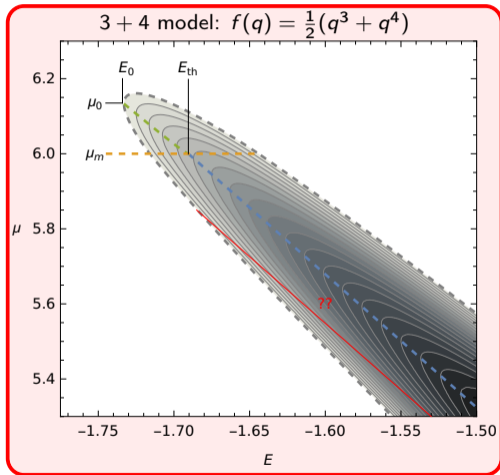
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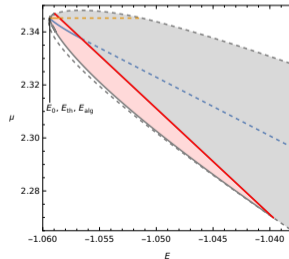
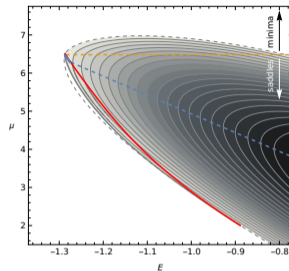
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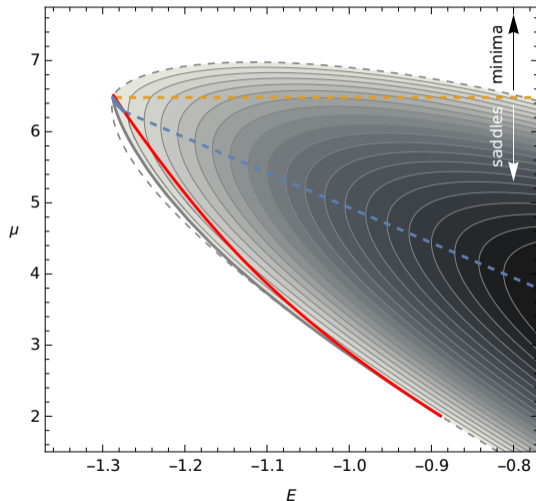
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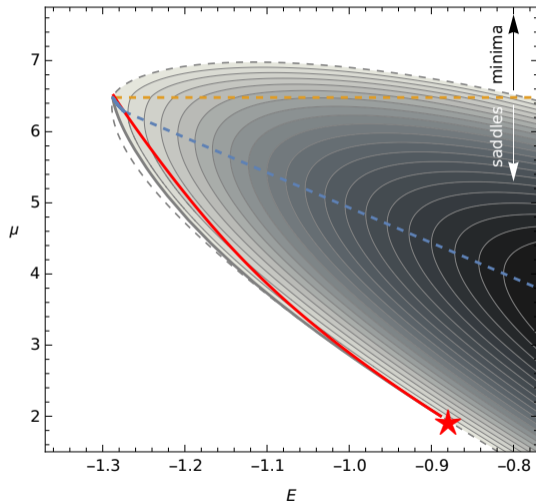
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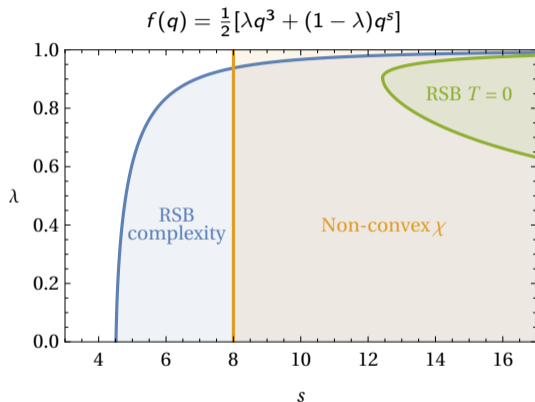
Finding RSB saddles

RSB structure among saddles when $G_f > 0$
for explicit functional G_f

$3 + s$ models $f(q) = \frac{1}{2}[\lambda q^3 + (1 - \lambda)q^s]$
have a broad range of RSB among saddles

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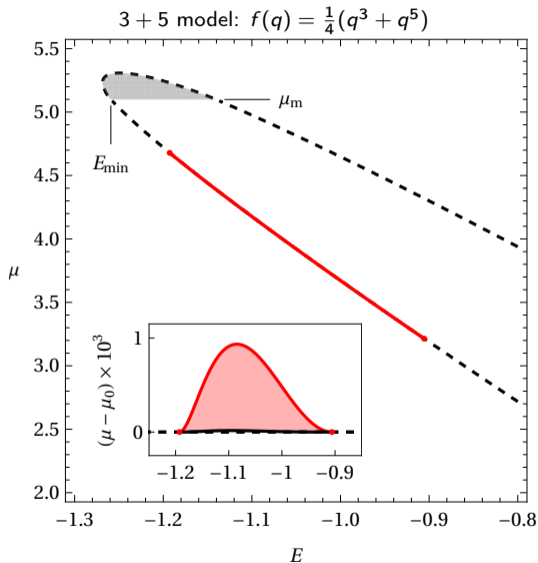
RSB among saddles: example

3 + 5 model is forbidden from having clustering between equilibrium states (at most 1RSB equilibrium order)

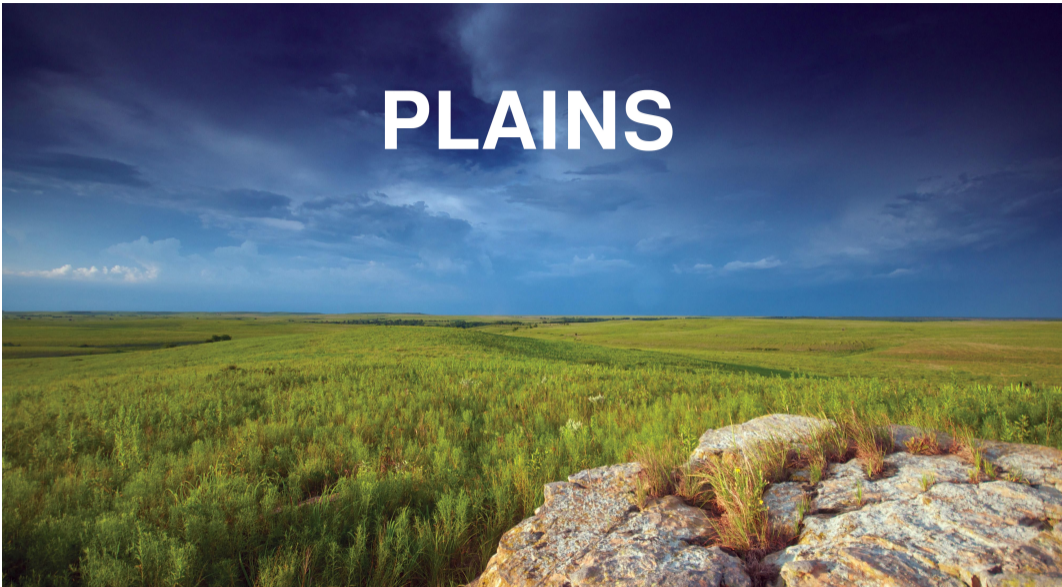
Wide range of saddles with highest and lowest index show clustering

Implications for emergence of RSB in equilibrium: splitting of states occurs among saddles, not minima

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Importance of marginal minima

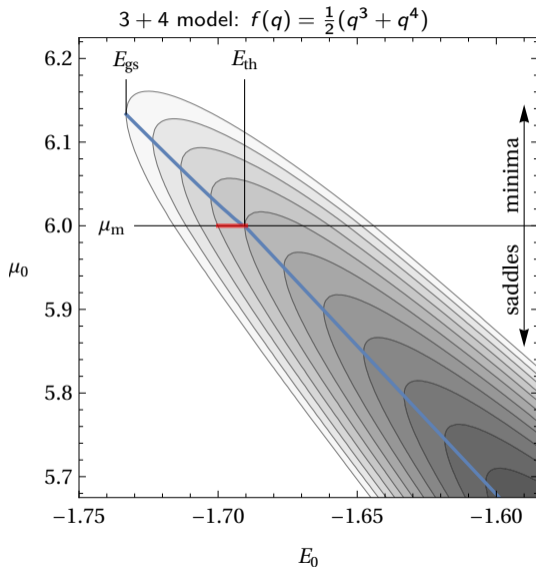
Quench dynamics asymptotically approaches marginal minima

In mixed models, the **final energy** depends on initial conditions

Threshold energy of Cugliandolo–Kurchan (where most stationary points are marginal) appears unimportant

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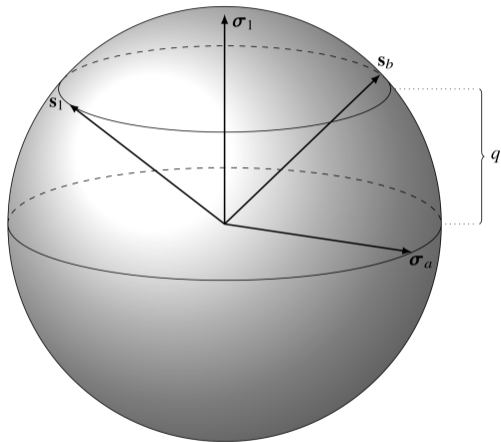


Two-point complexity

Compare different marginal minima by their local neighborhoods: what other stationary points are they nearby?

$$\Sigma_{12} = \frac{1}{N} \int \frac{d\nu(\boldsymbol{\sigma} | E_0, \mu_0)}{\int d\nu(\boldsymbol{\sigma}' | E_0, \mu_0)} \times \log \left[\int d\nu(\mathbf{s} | E_1, \mu_1) \delta(Nq - \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{s}) \right]$$

Gives complexity of stationary points with (E_1, μ_1) constrained at overlap q with a reference point with (E_0, μ_0)



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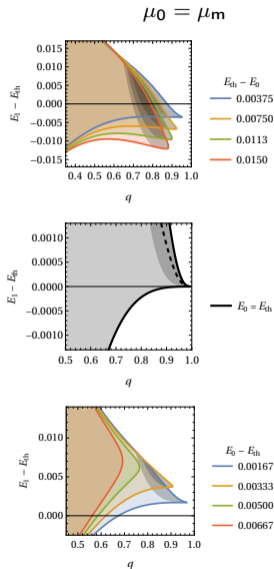
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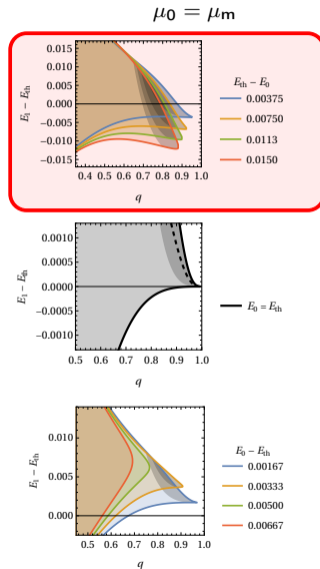
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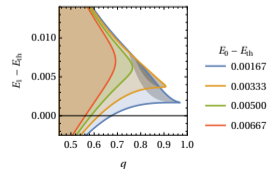
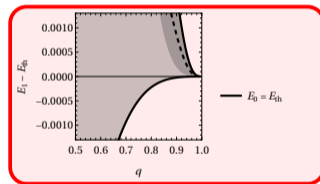
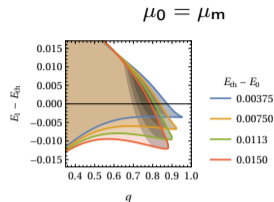
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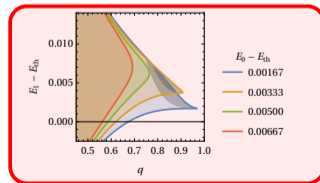
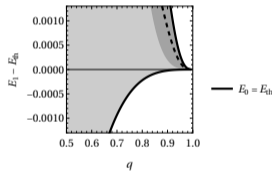
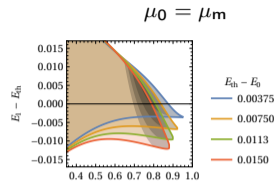
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Conclusions

Mixed spherical models have rich geometric structure not present in pure ones

- ▶ Clustering of deep minima consistent with hierarchical equilibrium order
- ▶ Clustering of saddles without any clustering of minima
- ▶ Marginally stable minima without a marginal manifold

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$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\log \mathcal{N}(E, \mu)} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \overline{\mathcal{N}(E, \mu)^n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \int \prod_{a=1}^n ds_a \delta(\nabla H(s_a)) \underbrace{|\det \text{Hess } H(s_a)|}_{\text{Function of } H \text{ and } \nabla H \text{ only.}} \\ &\quad \times \delta(NE - H(s_a)) \delta(\text{Tr Hess } H(s_a) - N\mu) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \int \left(\prod_{a=1}^n ds_a \right) \underbrace{\prod_{a=1}^n \delta(\nabla H(s_a)) \delta(NE - H(s_a))}_{\text{Function of } H \text{ and } \nabla H \text{ only.}} \\ &\quad \times \underbrace{\prod_{a=1}^n |\det \text{Hess } H(s_a)| \delta(\text{Tr Hess } H(s_a) - N\mu)}_{\text{Function of Hess } H \text{ only.}}\end{aligned}$$

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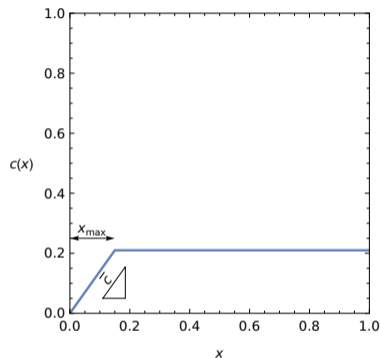
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$$C_{ab} = \frac{1}{N} s_a \cdot s_b \quad R_{ab} = -i \frac{1}{N} \hat{s}_a \cdot s_b \quad D_{ab} = \frac{1}{N} \hat{s}_a \cdot \hat{s}_b$$

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RS-FRSB transition line



RS-FRSB transition line can be analytically predicted.

1. Treat each function $c(x)$, $r(x)$, $d(x)$ as piecewise linear
2. Substitute into Σ and expand for small x_{\max}
3. Look for instability of $x_{\max} = 0$ solution.

$$\mu_{\pm}(E) = \pm \frac{(f'(1) + f''(0))(f'(1)^2 - f(1)(f'(1) + f''(1)))}{(2f(1) - f'(1))f'(1)f''(0)^{1/2}} - \frac{f''(1) - f'(1)}{f'(1) - 2f(1)} E$$

Finding RSB saddles

Endpoint (and therefore RSB saddles) exists when $G_f > 0$ for

$$G_f = f' \log \frac{f''}{f'} [3y_f(f'' - f')f''' - 2(f' - 2f)f''w_f] - 2(f'' - f')u_f w_f - 2 \log^2 \frac{f''}{f'} f'^2 f'' v_f$$

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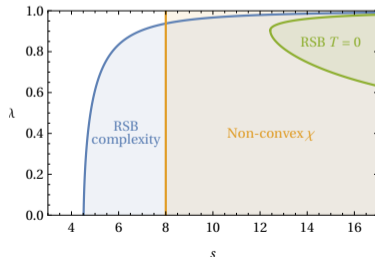
$$u_f = f(f' + f'') - f'^2$$
$$w_f = 2f''(f'' - f') + f'f'''$$

$$v_f = f'(f'' + f''') - f''^2$$
$$y_f = f'(f' - f) + f''f$$

For $3 + s$ models with $f(q) = \frac{1}{2}[\lambda q^3 + (1 - \lambda)q^s]$, very broad range have RSB saddles

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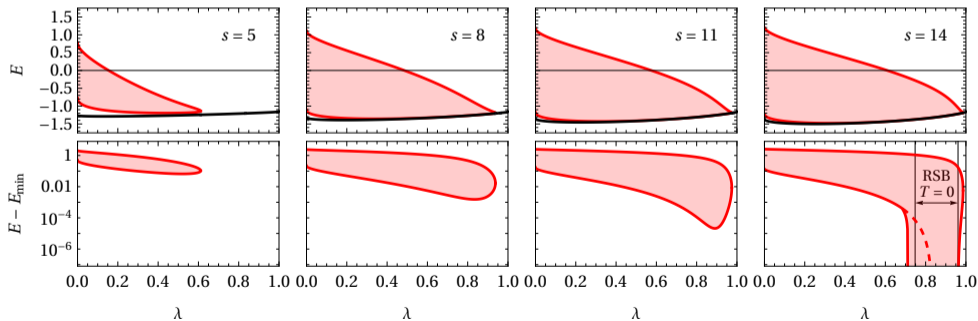
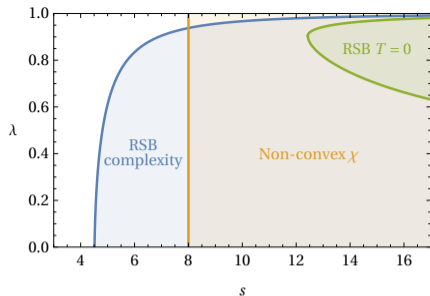
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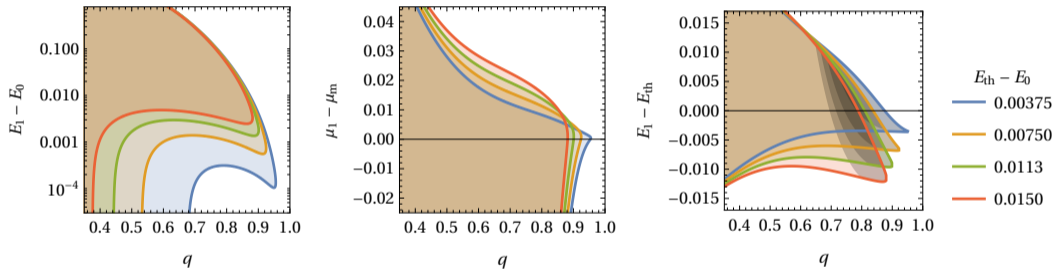
Clustering among saddles found for most $3 + s$ models with $s \geq 5$ and broad range of energies

Phase crosses into minima consistent with presence of RSB ground states



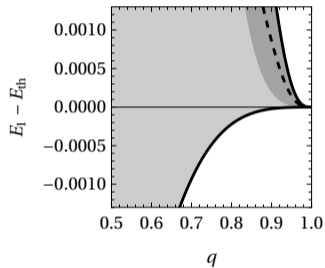
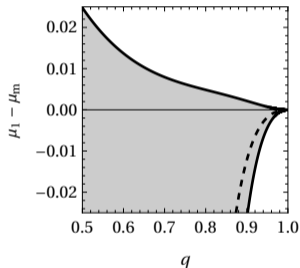
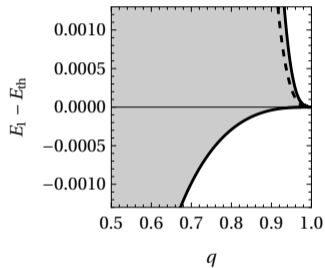
Neighborhood of marginal minima

Below the threshold energy



Neighborhood of marginal minima

At the threshold energy



Neighborhood of marginal minima

Above the threshold energy

