

Phase transition phenomena of statistical mechanical models of the integer factorization problem

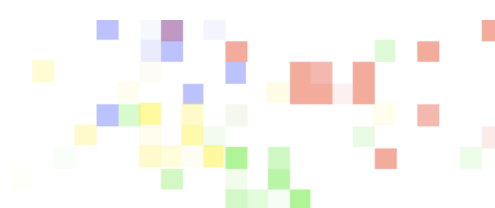
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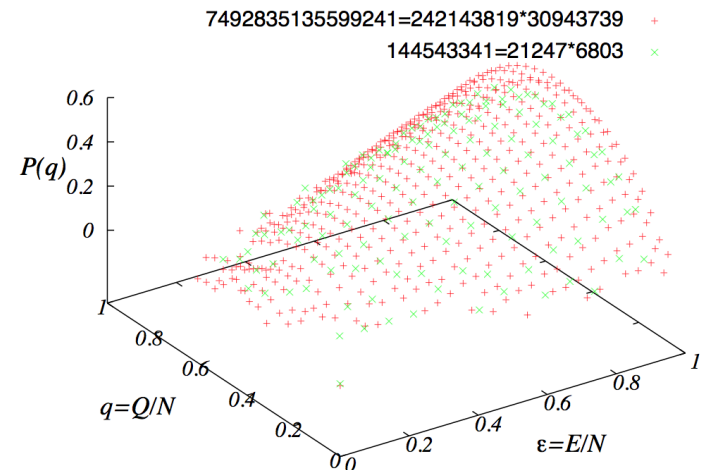
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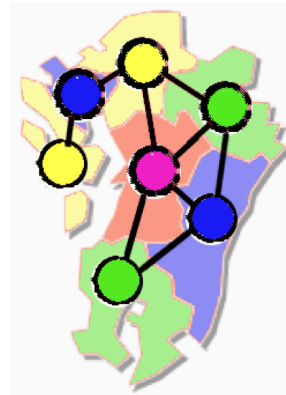
From spin glass to computational problem

Statistical physics of spin glass spreads to various computational problems.

-- optimization or constraint satisfaction including NP-hard or NP-complete problems.



Traveling salesman problem



Graph coloring

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6	7	2	1	9	5	3	4	8
1	9	8	3	4	2	5	6	7
8	5	9	7	6	1	4	2	3
4	2	6	8	5	3	7	9	1
7	1	3	9	2	4	8	5	6
9	6	1	5	3	7	2	8	4
2	8	7	4	1	9	6	3	5
3	4	5	2	8	6	1	7	9

Number placing (sudoku)

- Many algorithms from statistical mechanics, such as simulated annealing
- Recently taken over by quantum annealing.

Statistical mechanical study of (NP-complete/NP-Hard) CSPs

- 2-SAT and 3-SAT (*Different behavior for P and NP-complete problems*)

R. Monasson *et. al.*, Nature (1999)

- Graph coloring

L. Zdeborova, and F. Krzakala, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2007).

F. Krzakala *et. al.*, Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. (2007).

- vertex cover

Hierarchical clustering of energy landscape

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- Number partitioning

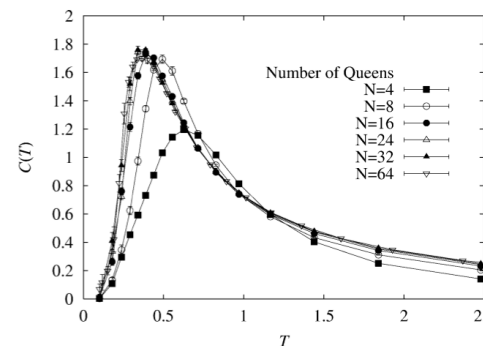
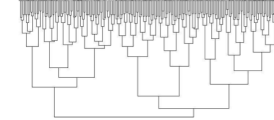
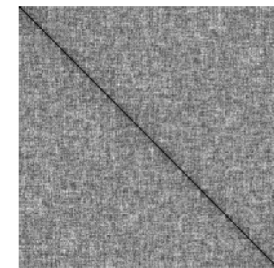
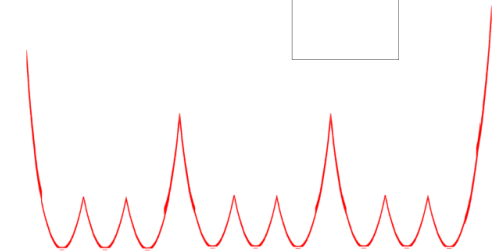
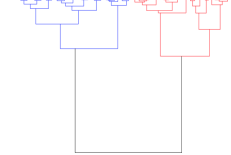
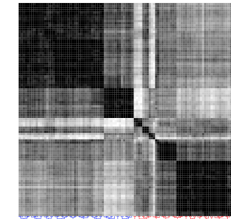
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S. Mertens, Phys. Rev. Lett. (1998).

Still unclear for glass transition (?)

- N-queen problem

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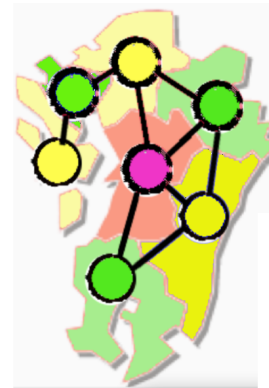


Phase transition(s) of NP-complete problems

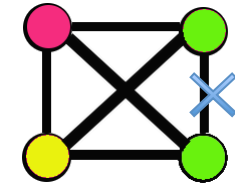
On the example of graph coloring

[Mézard, Parisi, Zecchina, Science (2002),
Mulet, Pagnani, Weigt, Zecchina (2002)]

N : Number of vertices
 M : Number of edges
 α : Mean connectivity



$N = 7$
 $M = 9$
 $\alpha \approx 1.286$



Random graph instances,
for example Erdos-Renyi graph.

$$P(J_{ij}) = \frac{\alpha}{N} \delta(J_{ij} - 1) + \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{N}\right) \delta(J_{ij})$$

$$\alpha = \frac{M}{N} \approx O(N^0)$$

$$\sigma_i \in \{1, \dots, q\},$$

$$H(\{\sigma\} | J) = \sum_{(ij)} J_{ij} \delta_{\sigma_i \sigma_j}, \text{ 0/1 for satisfied/violated edges.}$$

$$Z(J) = \sum_{\{\sigma\}} \exp(-\beta H(\{\sigma\} | J)) = \exp(-\beta F(J))$$

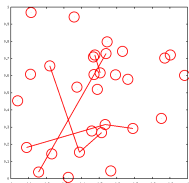
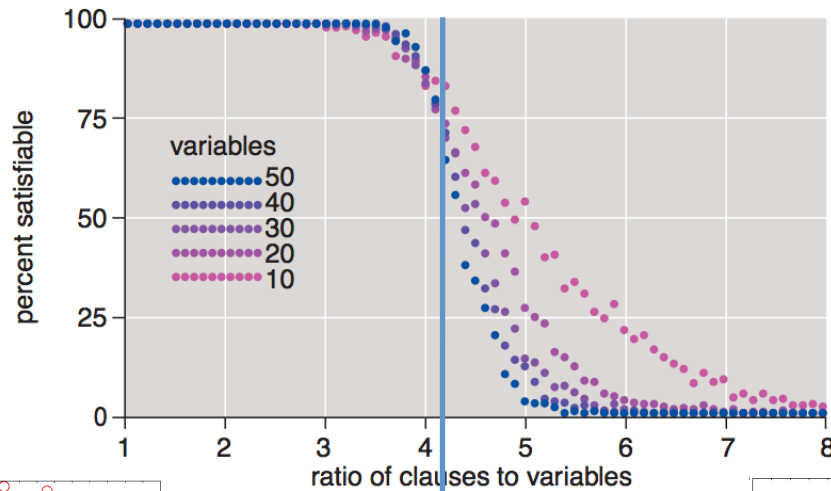
$$[F]_{\alpha} = \sum_{\{J\}} F(J) \delta(M/N - \alpha), \text{ ensemble of thermodynamic quantities on random instances.}$$

Averaging over random graph instances and taking $N \rightarrow \infty$ limit.

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Graphs from [Hayes, American Scientist **85**, (1997)], for 3-SAT.

Fraction of satisfiable instances

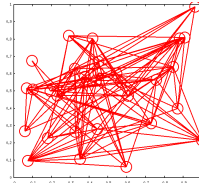


$$[\langle E \rangle_{T=0}]_{\alpha} = 0$$

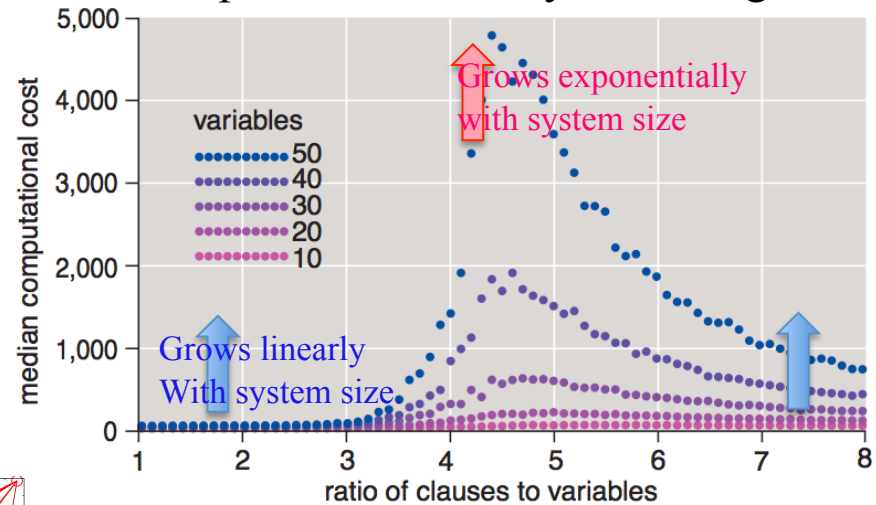
Typically satisfiable.

$$[\langle E \rangle_{T=0}]_{\alpha} > 0$$

Typically unsatisfiable.



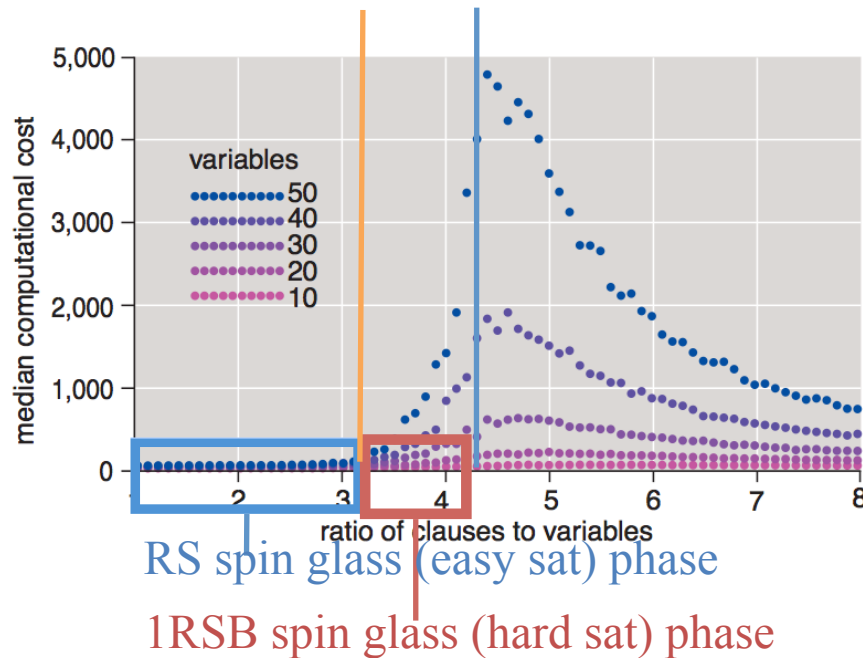
Computational time by DPLL algorithm



Computational time seems to increase exponentially NEAR sat-unsat transition threshold (with graph coloring, called col-uncol transition).

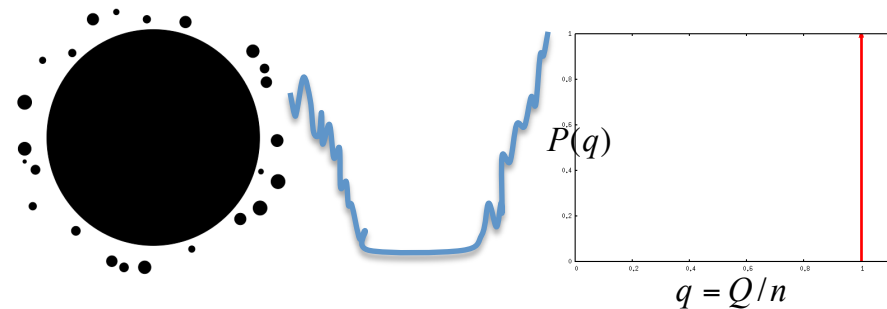
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In fact there is another (or more) phase transition, which is described in terms of spin glass theory.



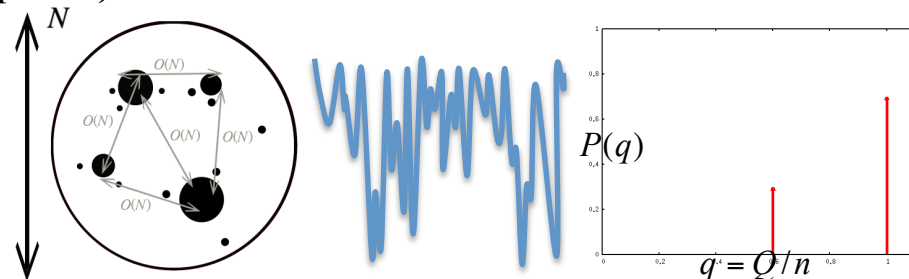
Replica symmetric phase (easy sat phase)

- Most of solutions are connected each other. (They can come/go with flipping a single spin)
- Overlap distribution has unimodal shape.
- Energy landscape has basin of solutions.



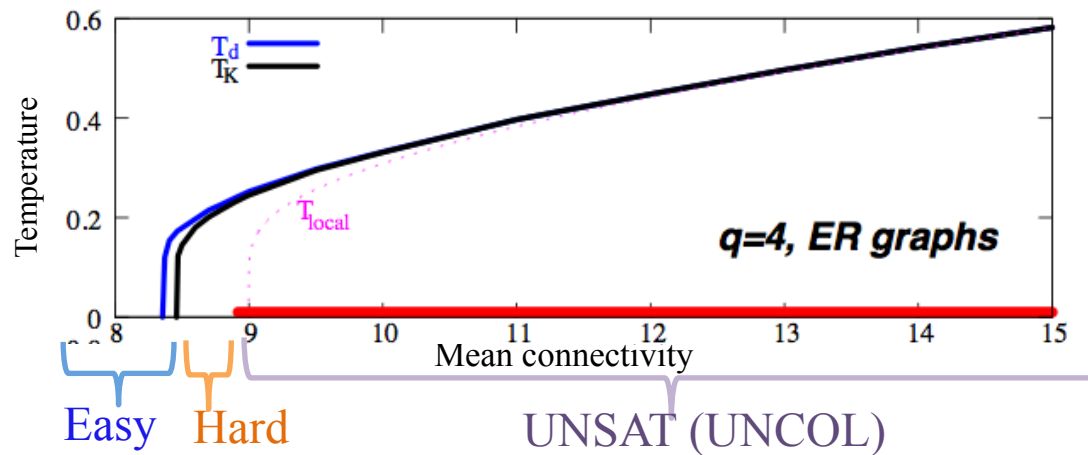
Replica symmetry breaking phase (hard sat phase)

- Clustered solutions are embedded sparsely.
- Overlap distribution has multimodal shape.
- Energy landscape is rugged.



In 1RSB phase, overlap distribution has multimodal character (even in thermodynamic limit), and computational time grows exponentially with the system size.

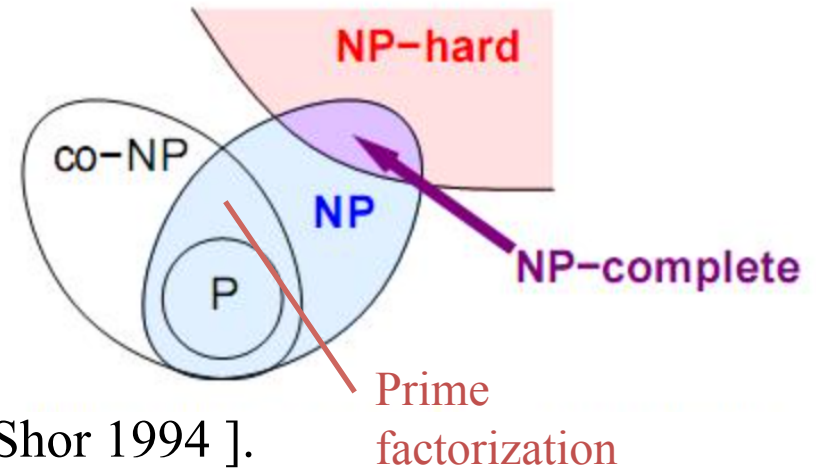
Hard/Easy transition extends to finite temperature regime



Graphs from
[Zdeborova, Eur. Phys. Lett, (2008)]
for 4-coloring case.

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in the context of classical picture,

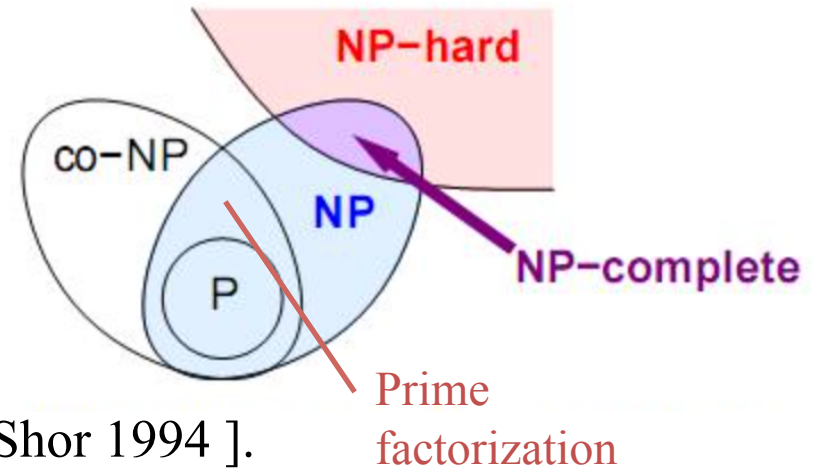
it can be to test the applicability/extensibility of the replica-theoretic picture.

in the context of quantum annealing picture,

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Formulation of the problem

• The situation of dividing $N = p_1 \times \dots \times p_l \times \dots \times p_m$ with a trial divisor d .
Such that $2^{n-1} < \sqrt{N} < 2^n$ and $d \in \{2, \dots, 2^n\}$.

• Binary (spin) variable representation of d ;

$$d(\{s_i\}) = 2 + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} s_i 2^i, \quad s_i \in \{0,1\}$$

• Cost function H which is extensive with n ,

for sound property of thermodynamic function or phase transition ;

-- $H(d) = 0$ if and only if d is a correct divisor of N , otherwise $H(d) > 0$.

$$\text{-- } \langle H \rangle_\beta = \frac{\sum_{\{s_i\}} H(\{s_i\}) \exp(-\beta H(\{s_i\}))}{\sum_{\{s_i\}} \exp(-\beta H(\{s_i\}))} \approx n$$

$$\sigma_j \in \{0,1\}$$

$$H(d) = \lceil \log_2(1 + \text{mod}(N, d)) \rceil$$

-- Maximum digit based model

$$H(d) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sigma_j, \quad \text{mod}(N, d) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sigma_j 2^j \quad \text{-- Summation based model}$$

Formulation of the problem

For sufficiently large m , it has exponential numbers of ground states, like spin glass models.

For $N = p_1 \times \cdots \times p_l \times \cdots \times p_m$, this model has ground states

Totally $2^m - 2$ ground states, 1 and N itself are excluded.
 -- exponential number of system size.

$$d_{sol} \in \left\{ \begin{array}{l} p_1, \dots, p_m, \\ p_1 p_2, \dots, p_{m-1} p_m, \dots, \\ p_1 p_2 p_3, \dots, \\ p_1 \cdots p_{m-1}, \dots, p_2 \cdots p_m \end{array} \right\}.$$

Here we treat the case with $N = p_1 p_2$.

Quantities of interest

Hamming distance from correct solution
 (Overlap function with ground state)

$$\hat{Q}(\{s_i\}) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{1 - (2s_i - 1)(2s_i^* - 1)}{2}$$

Density of states on hamming distance Q and energy E ;

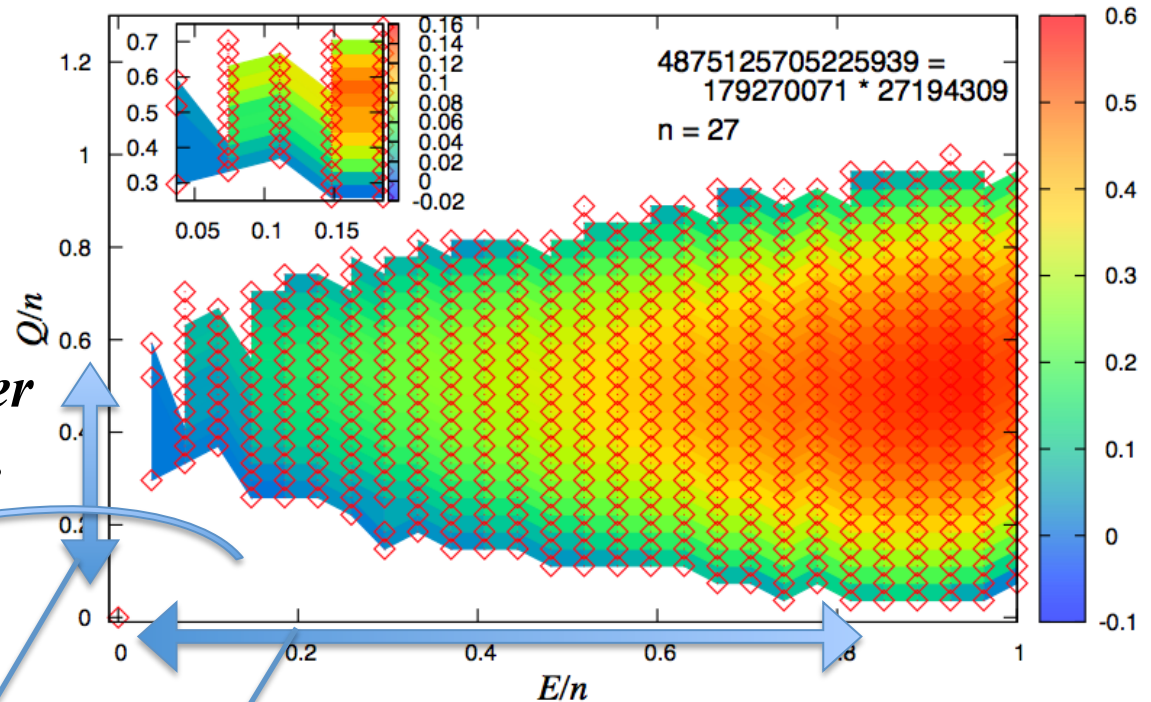
$$W(E, Q) = \sum_{\{s_i\}} \delta(\hat{Q}(\{s_i\}) - Q) \delta(H(\{s_i\}) - E) = \exp(S(E, Q))$$

Behavior of the model : Isolated solution

$$H(d) = \lceil \log_2(1 + \text{mod}(N, d)) \rceil : \text{Maximum digit model}$$

Support of $W(E, Q)$

- *The ground state is isolated in configuration space.*
- *Both the distance from other low energy states and the height of energy barrier are proportional to system size.*



There is region with no support ($W(E, Q) = 0$) around ground state.

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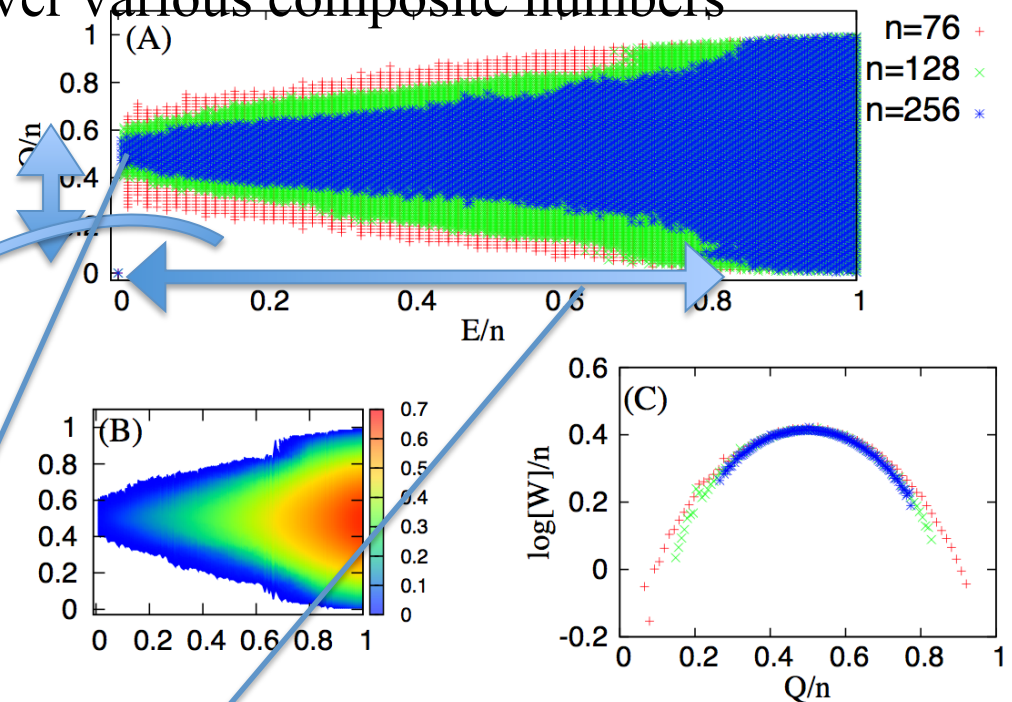
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Up to $n=256$ ($N=2^{512}$), averaged over various composite numbers

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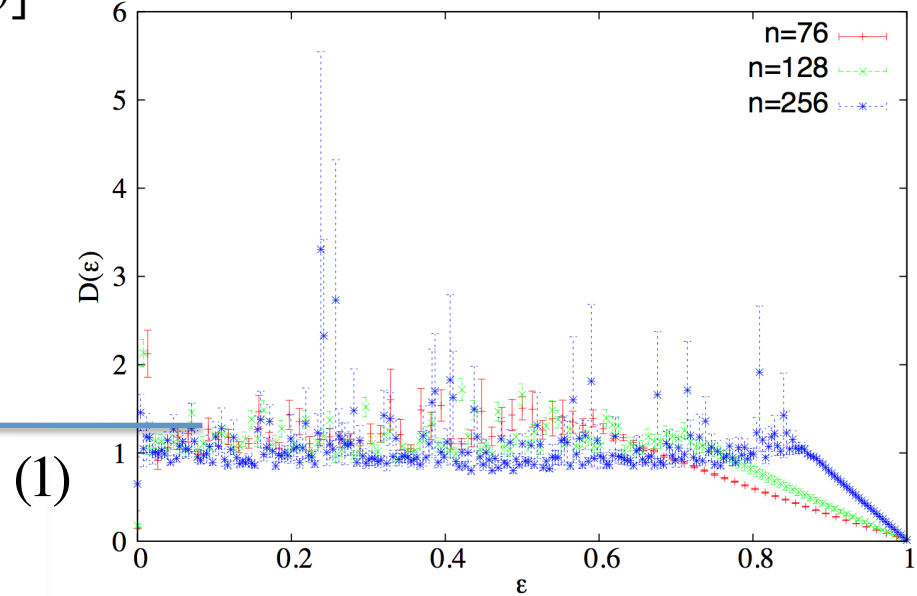
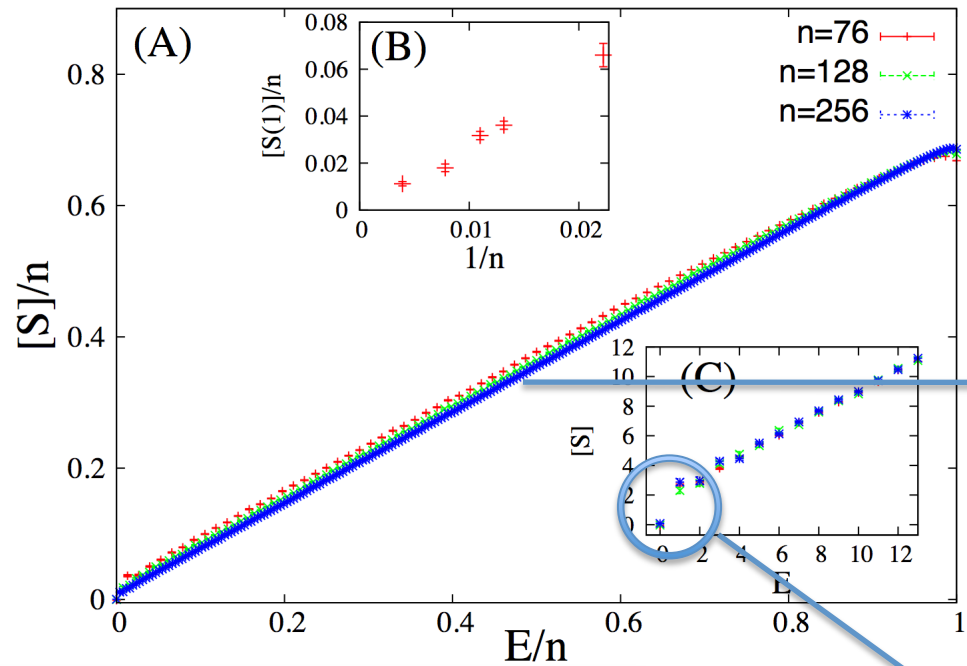
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Shape of density of states and phase transition

Microcanonical entropy $\frac{1}{n}[S(E)] = \frac{1}{n}[\log W(E)]$

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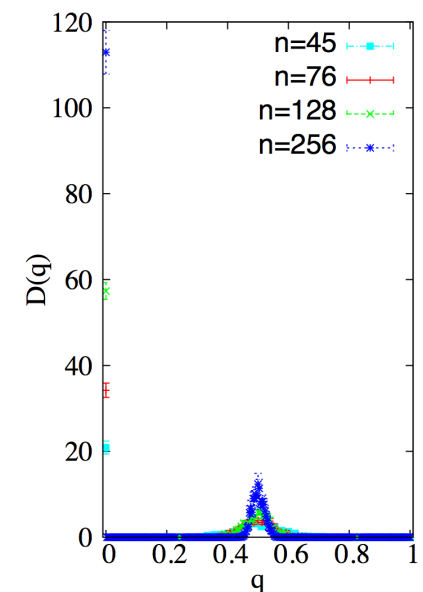
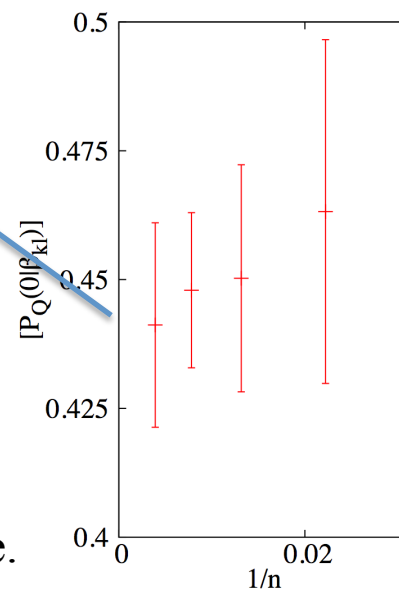
(2)

(1) Slope : Broad region with $\frac{d^2 S(E)}{dE^2} = 0$.
 → Peculiar phase transition

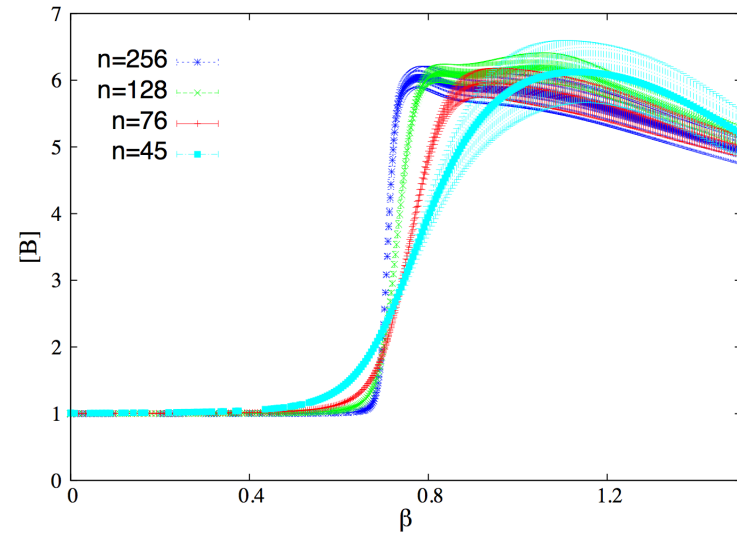
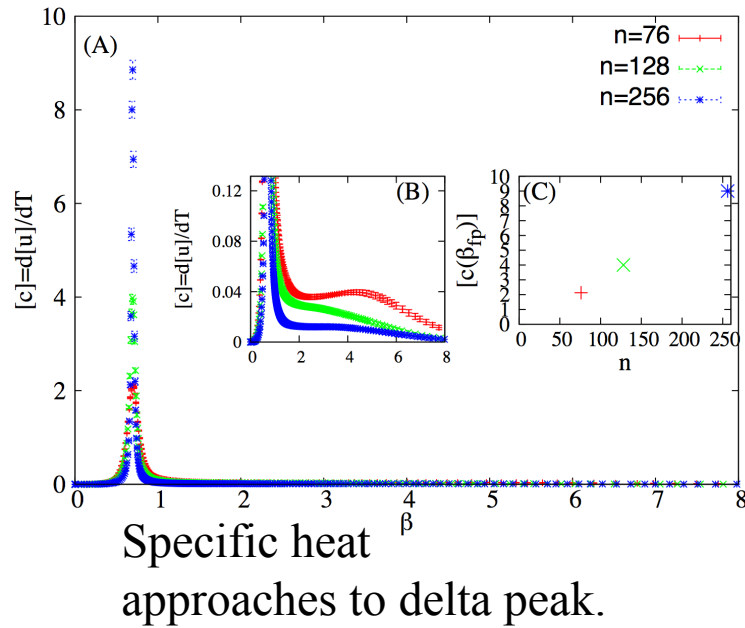
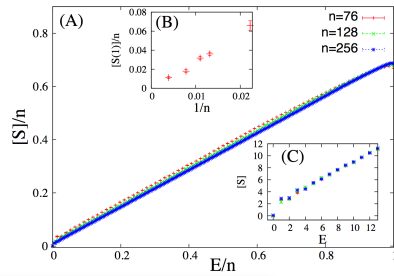
(2) Kink : Value of $\frac{dS(E)}{dE}$ is discontinuously different at $E=1$.

→ Dip in the specific heat.

Internal energy depends very weakly on the temperature.



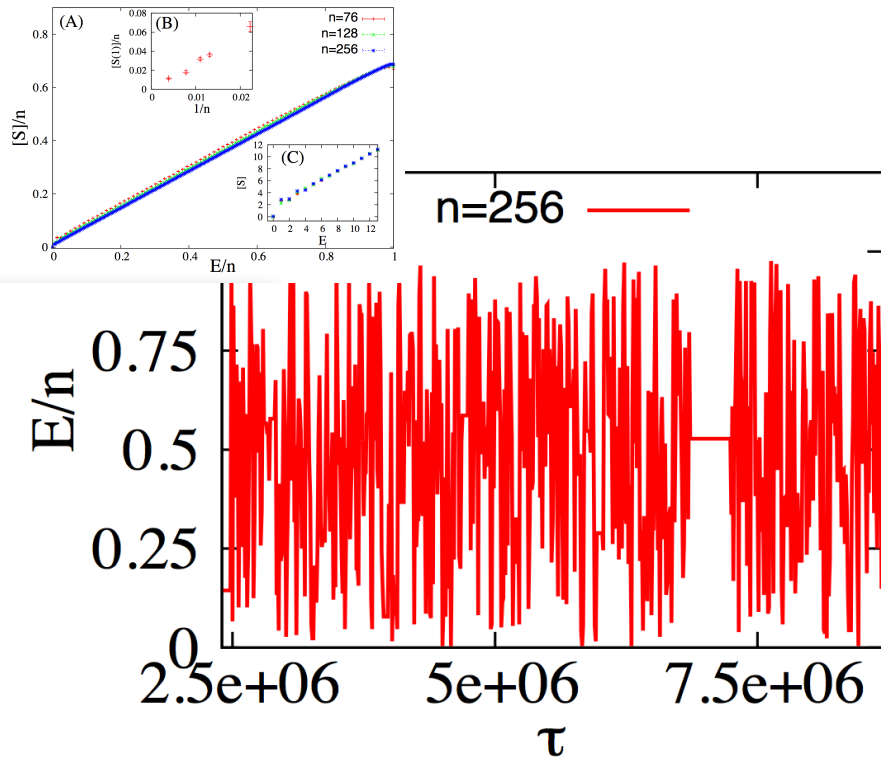
(1) : Peculiar first order transition(1/3)



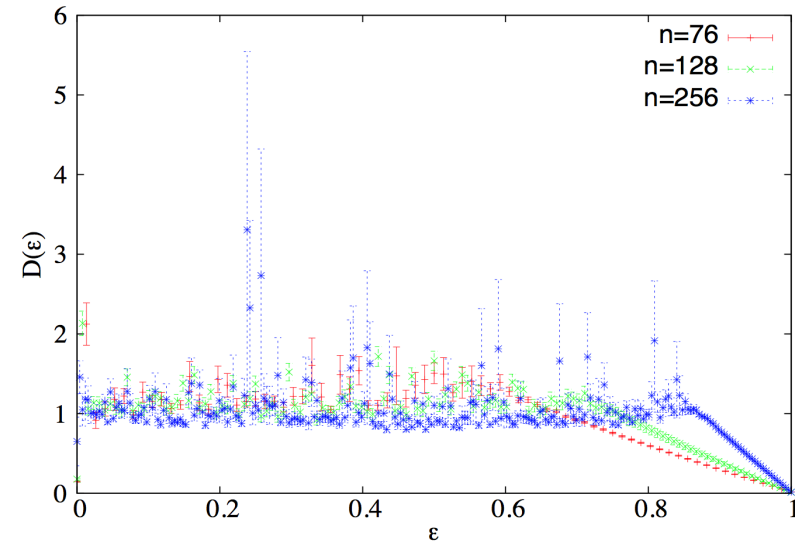
Binder ratio of energy converges to $\left[\frac{\langle E^4 \rangle}{\langle E^2 \rangle^2} \right] > 1$.
 (Indicates the jump of the internal energy.)

These features are shared with the first order phase transition.

(1) : Peculiar first order transition (2/3)



Dynamics in single instance is different for that in bistable potential, it moves SMOOTHLY.

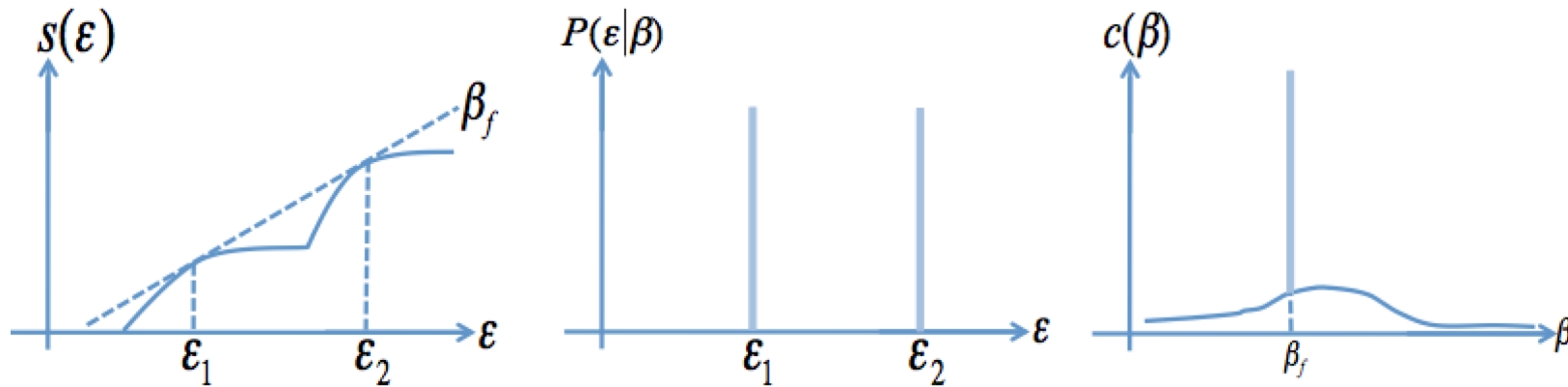


Energy distribution function has a FLAT region at the transition temperature.

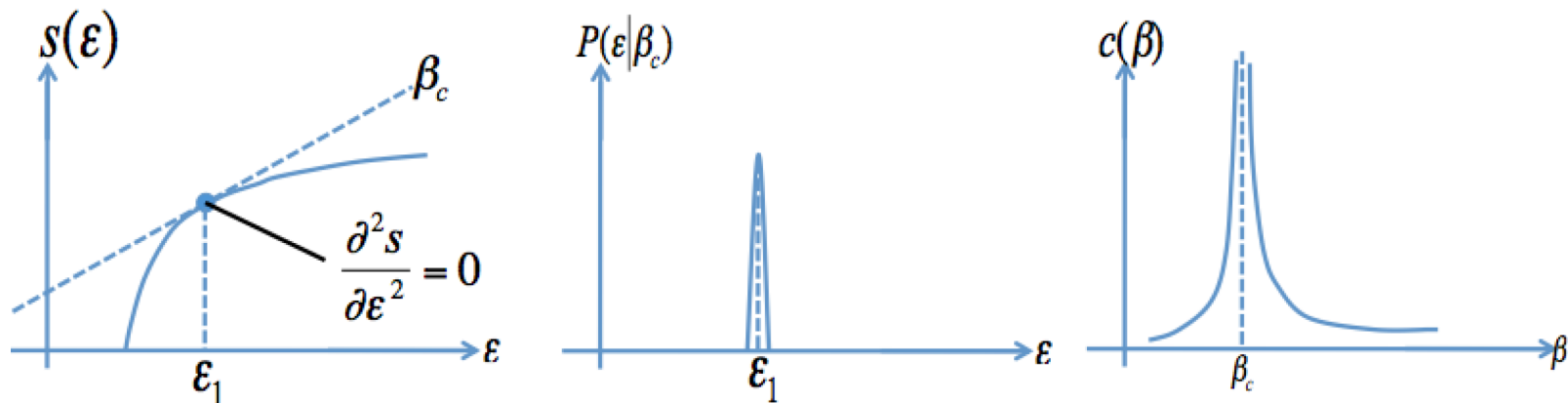
- The distance between low and high energy region is BRIDGED, NOT BISTABLE. This is NOT likely to the ordinary phase transition.
- It has a region with $\frac{d^2 S(E)}{dE^2} = 0$. This feature is in some sense common with the SECOND order phase transition (however, the region is much broader here).

Phase transition behavior

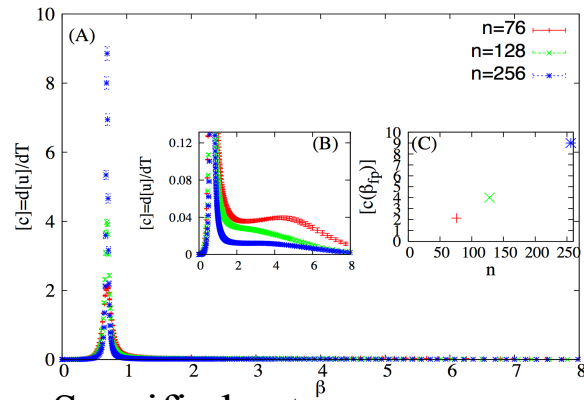
In the case of an ordinary first order phase transition



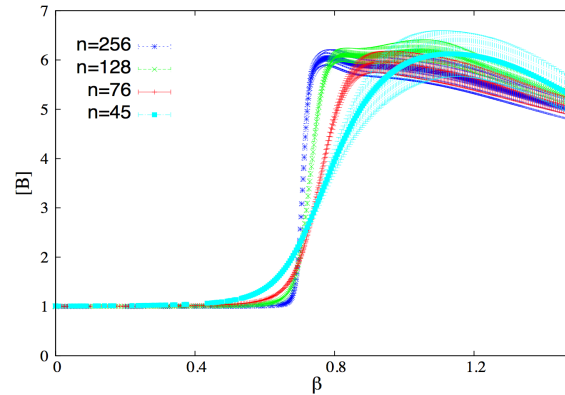
In the case of an ordinary second order phase transition (with critical exponent $\alpha > 0$)



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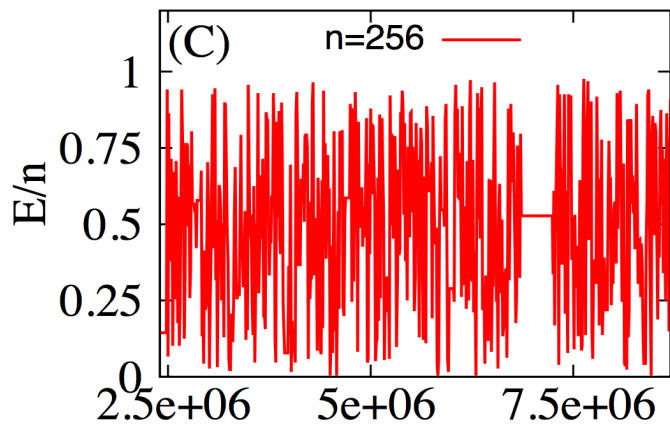
Specific heat approaches to delta peak.



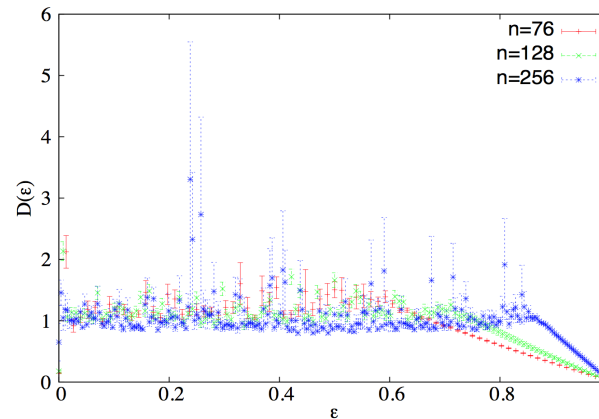
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Likely to first order Transition.



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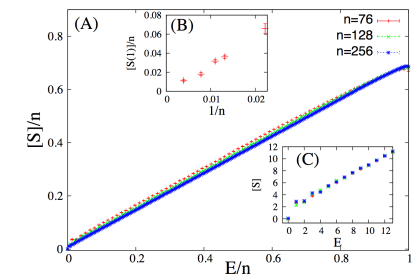
Energy distribution function has a flat region at the transition temperature.

$$\frac{d^2 S(E)}{dE^2} \approx 0$$



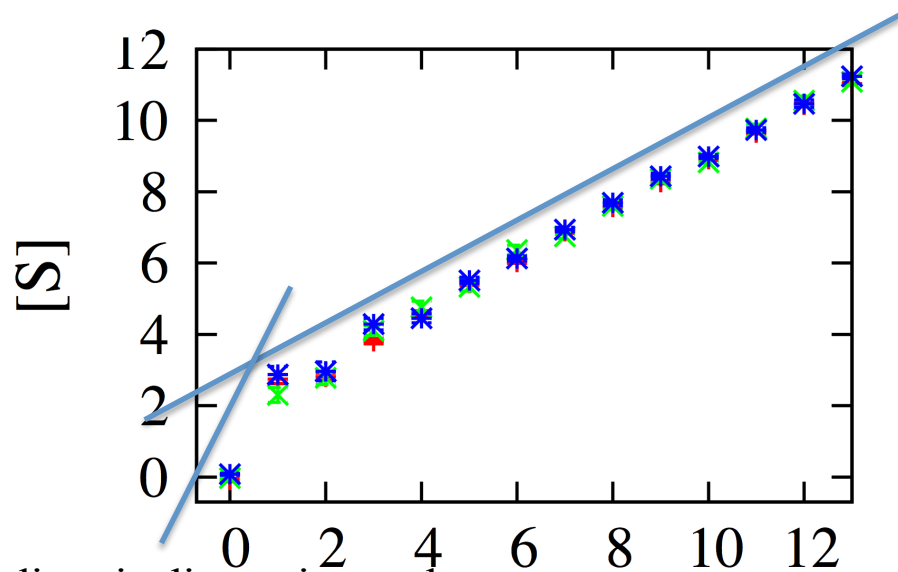
Not likely to first order (rather likely to second order) Transition.

It has both features of first and second order phase transition.



(2) 'Kink' in energy density of states

When the governance changes between low but positive energy states and the true ground state,

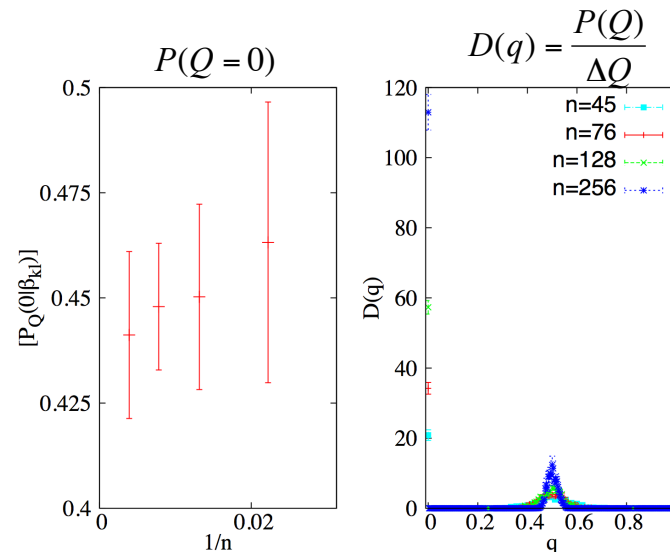


Gradient is discontinuously different at $E = 1$.

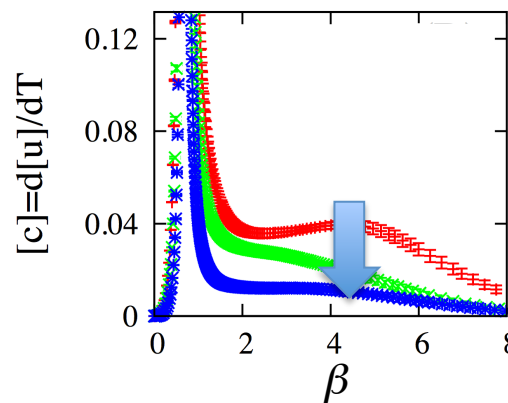
(Not normalized by the system size.)

The gradient $\frac{dS(E)}{dE}$ seems to be constant.

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Distribution of normalized overlap at fixed temperature

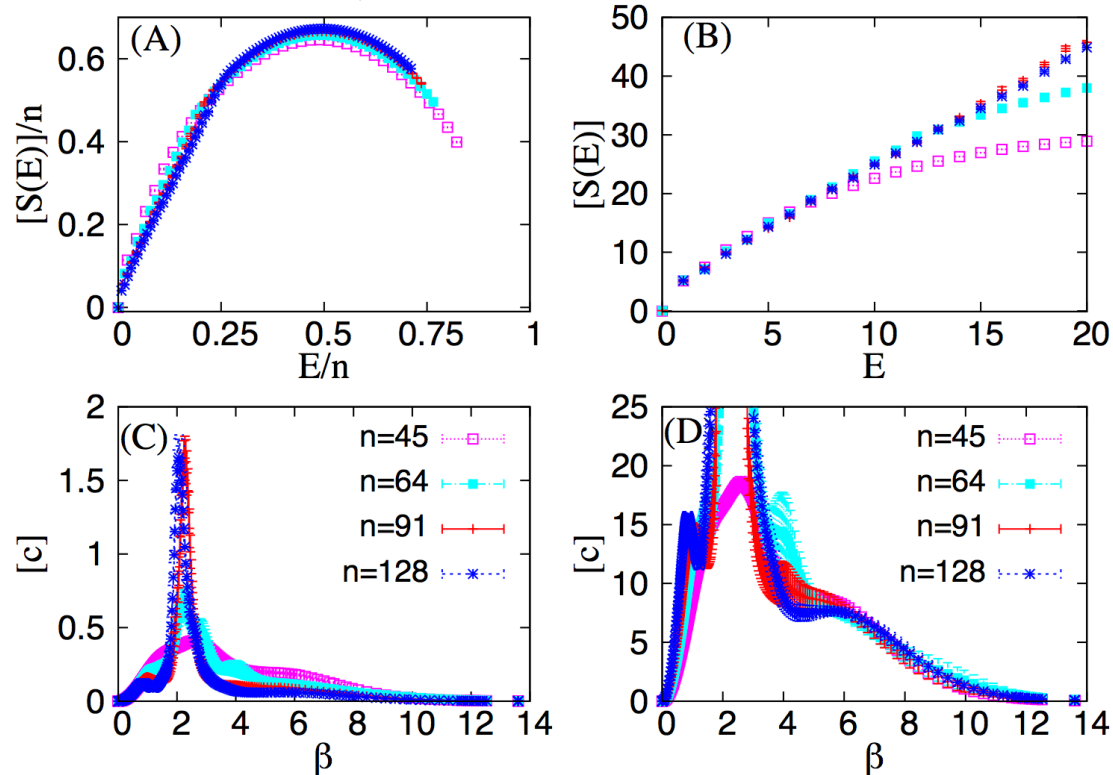


This is NOT a phase transition (dip of [c] disappears in thermodynamic limit).

But it is CHARACTERIZED by temperature.

Commonly exhibited in summation-based model

$$H(d) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sigma_j, \quad \text{mod}(N, d) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sigma_j 2^j \quad : \text{Summation-based model}$$



‘Slope’ and ‘kink’ also appear in the profile
of energy density of state of summation-based model.

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As classical counterpart of quantum annealing ?

Scaling of minimal energy gap in quantum annealing

$$\tau \propto (\Delta E)^{-2}$$

$$\Delta E = E_1 - E_0 \propto \begin{cases} \exp(-\alpha n) \\ n^{-\gamma} \end{cases}$$

Then,,,

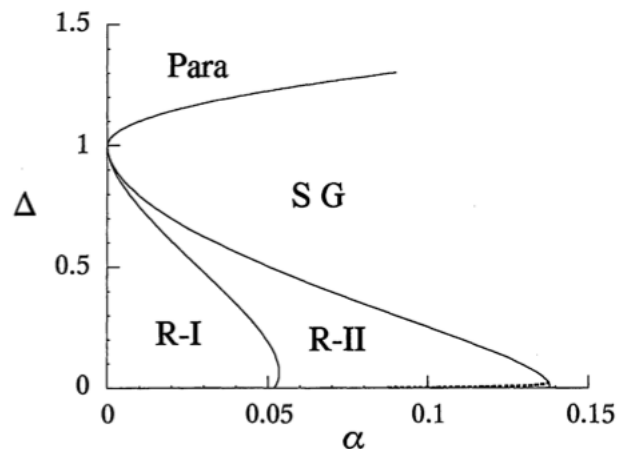
how is the peculiar phase transition of the factorization model ?

-- In the sense that it seems to occupy the intermediate position.

Is the transition represents an intermediate position

of the factorization IN COMPLEXITY CLASS ?

Example of coincidence between quantum and classical phase diagram



[Nishimori and Nonomura,
J. Phys. Soc. Jpn (1996)]

Quantum Hopfield model.

The ground state quantum phase diagram is quite similar to that of classical thermal version.

The overlap between the ground state and the low energy *eigen* state, $\langle \psi_{GS} | \psi_{FE} \rangle$ matters.

Summary

We analyzed the statistical mechanical model of integer factorization problem, focusing on its phase transition phenomena.

- We find that the ground state is completely isolated from other low energy states with $O(n)$ distant or height barrier.
- The peculiar shapes are found in the density of states, in addition they lead phase transition-like behavior;
 - Slope → Peculiar phase transition which has both feature of first and second order.
 - Kink → Dominant region in phase space drastically changes at second characteristic temperature.
- Is the potential energy landscape rather simple comparing to those of NP-complete problems?
 - If it is, that seems to have rich implication to the fact that the integer factorization problem is computationally hard problem but considered to be not enough to comparable to the NP-complete problems.
- We plan to pursue the behavior of this problem with quantum annealing.

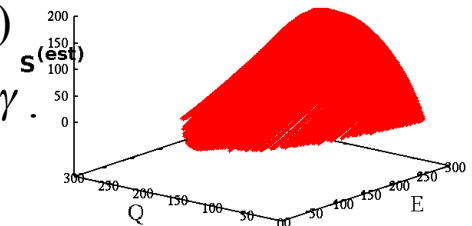
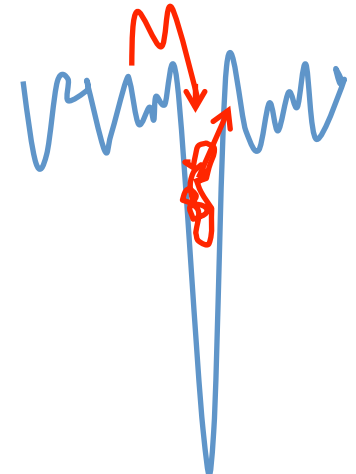
To avoid difficulty with golf-course landscape, ...

There is an extensive gap between the ground state and its vicinities.
The replica exchange Monte Carlo does not work efficiently in such case.

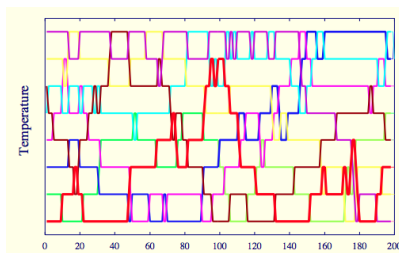
To avoid the difficulty,

Multi-histogram reweighting and replica exchange are combined.

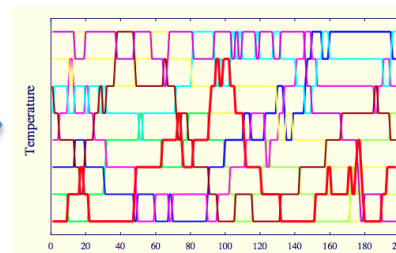
1. Once the energy E and the Hamming distance Q is computed.
2. The transition (of microscopic state) is accepted with the difference of the potential $V(E, Q)$. $\gamma \in \{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_R\}$
(The canonical distribution with $P(E, Q|\gamma) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp[-\gamma V(E, Q)]$ is realized.)
3. Density of states $W(E, Q)$ is estimated from $P(E, Q|\gamma)$ with various γ .



4. The histogram and potential are improved by iteration.



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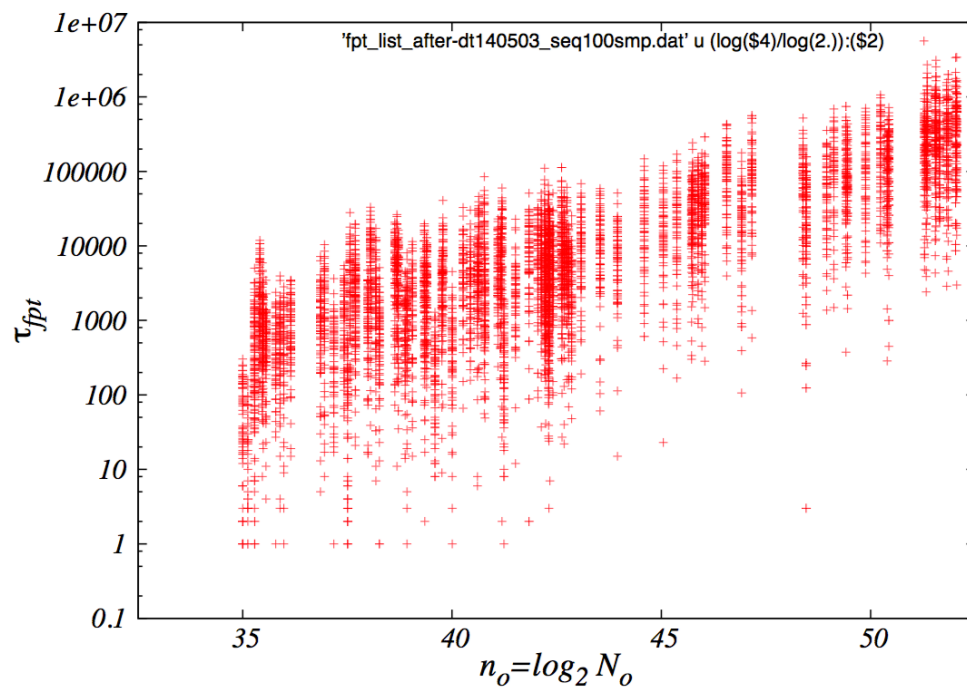
$$P^{(n-1)}(E, Q) \propto \exp(-\gamma V^{(n-1)}(E, Q))$$

$$V^{(n)}(E, Q) = -\log W^{(n-1)}(E, Q) \quad P^{(n)}(E, Q) \propto \exp(-\gamma V^{(n)}(E, Q))$$

$$V^{(n+1)}(E, Q) = -\log W^{(n)}(E, Q)$$

Behavior of first passage time

First passage time (for summation based model)

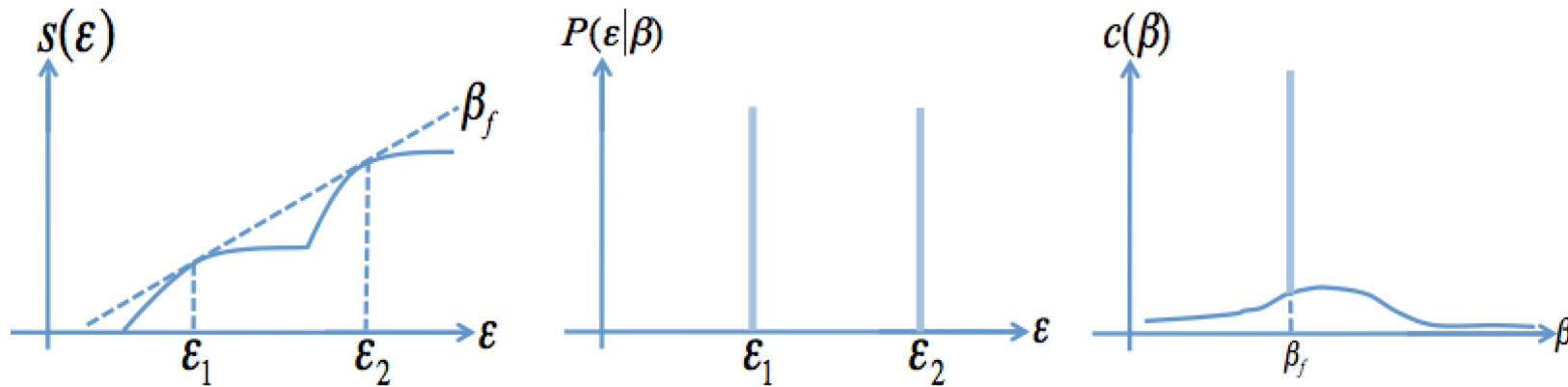


Replica exchange Monte Carlo simulation of the summation based model.

Seems to grow exponentially with its system size n .

Phase transition behavior

In the case of an ordinary first order phase transition



In the case of an ordinary second order phase transition (with critical exponent $\alpha > 0$)

