

# Revisiting the Capacity of Neural Networks

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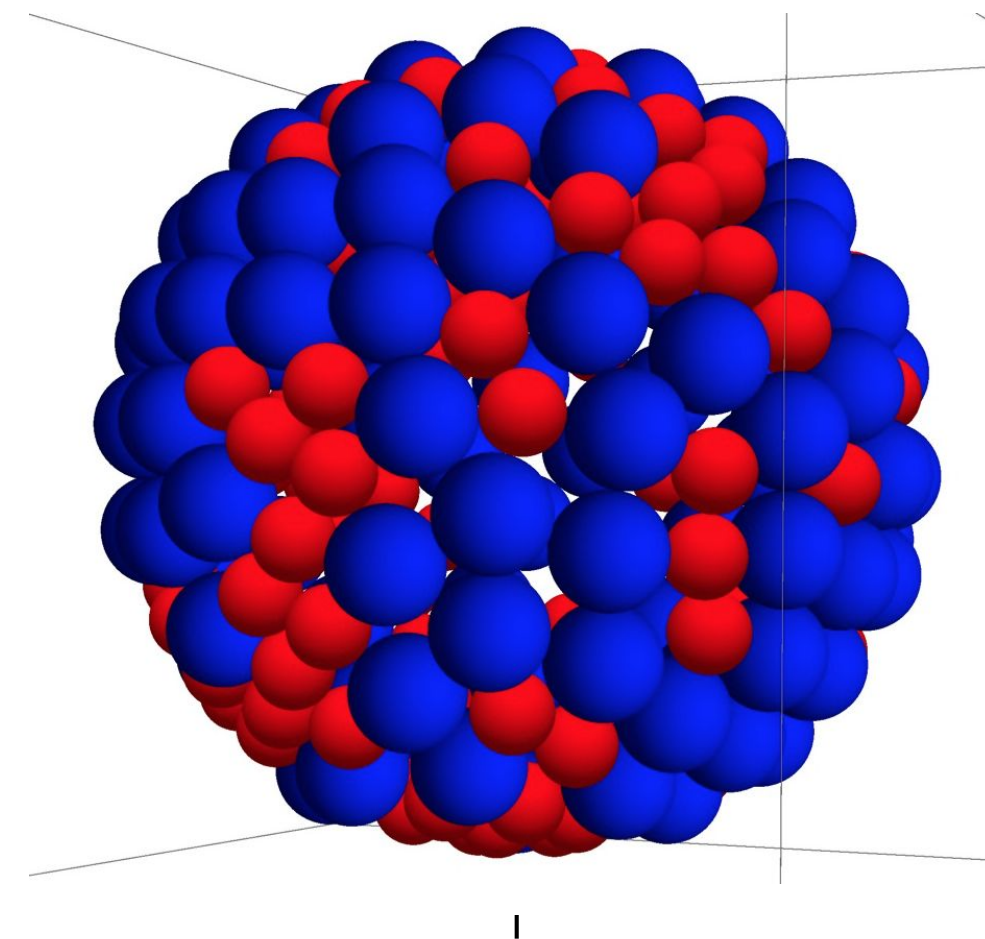
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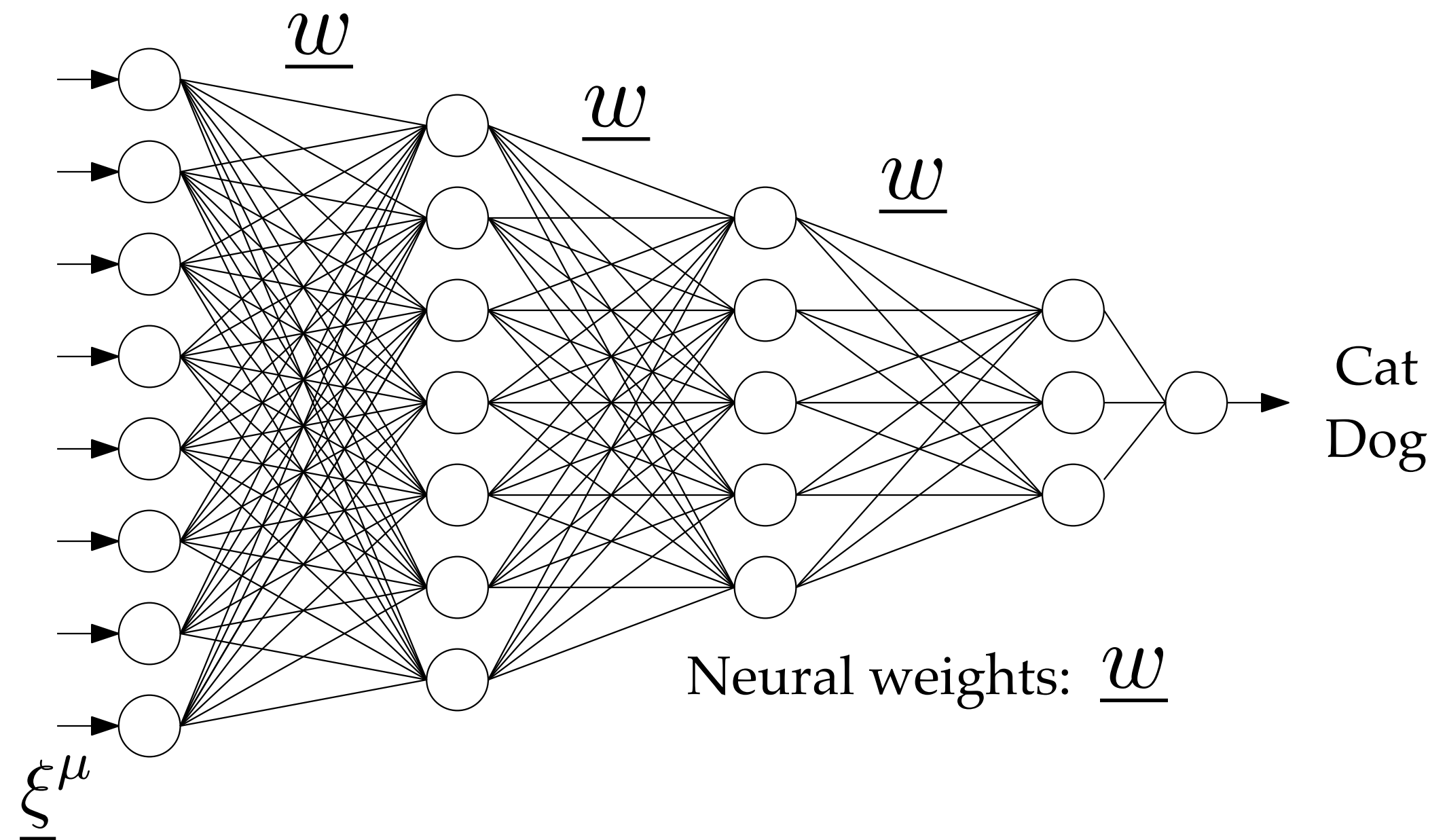
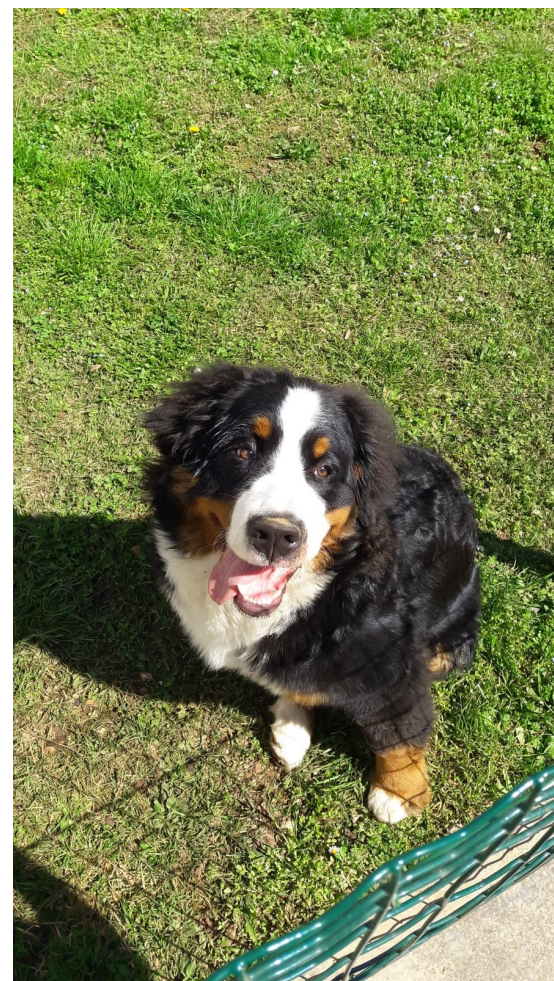
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# Supervised learning in Machine Learning



For each picture in the training set we want

$$\theta [f(\underline{w}, \underline{\xi}^\mu)] = 1 \quad \text{Dog}$$

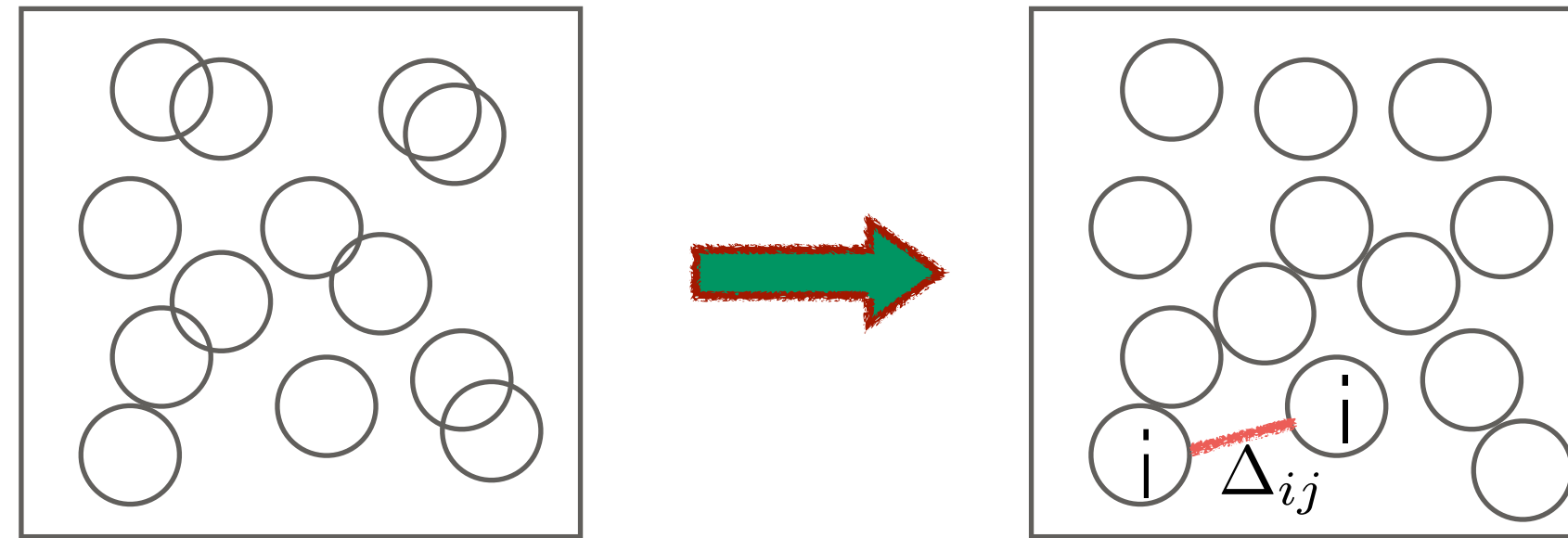
$$\theta [f(\underline{w}, \underline{\xi}^\mu)] = 0 \quad \text{Cat}$$

Find Weights such that each pattern is correctly classified : Constraint Satisfaction Pb.  
Similar to Packing problems

# Random Packings of Spheres

- ‘Agnostic’ algorithms  
no order

Short range repulsion  
Minimize H by gradient descent

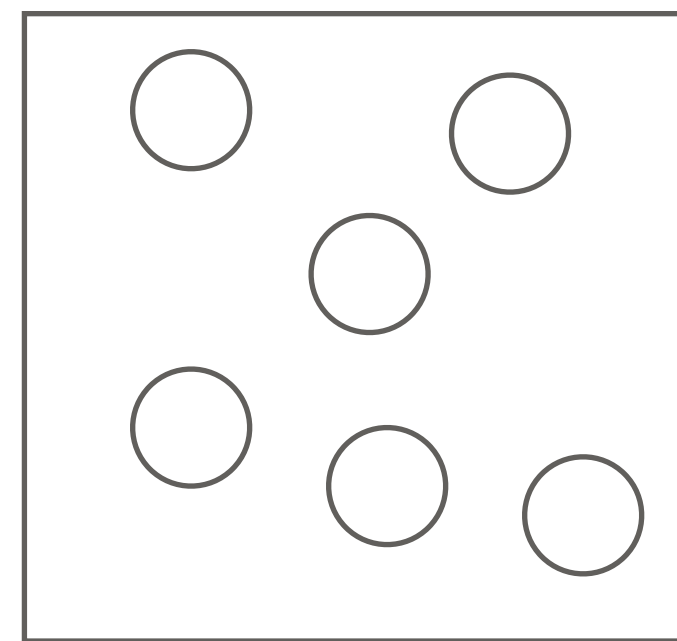
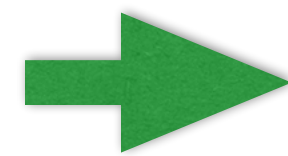


$$\Delta_{ij} = |\mathbf{r}_{ij}| - R_i - R_j$$

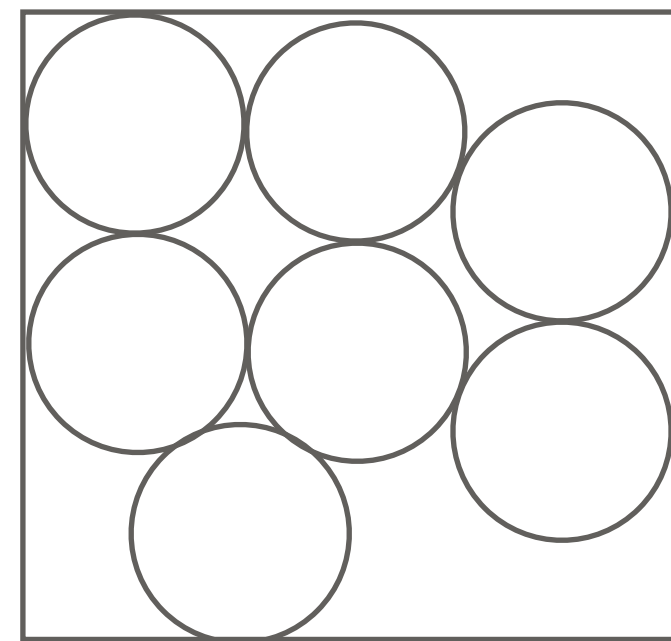
‘gap’ variable

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \theta(-\Delta_{ij}) \Delta_{ij}^2$$

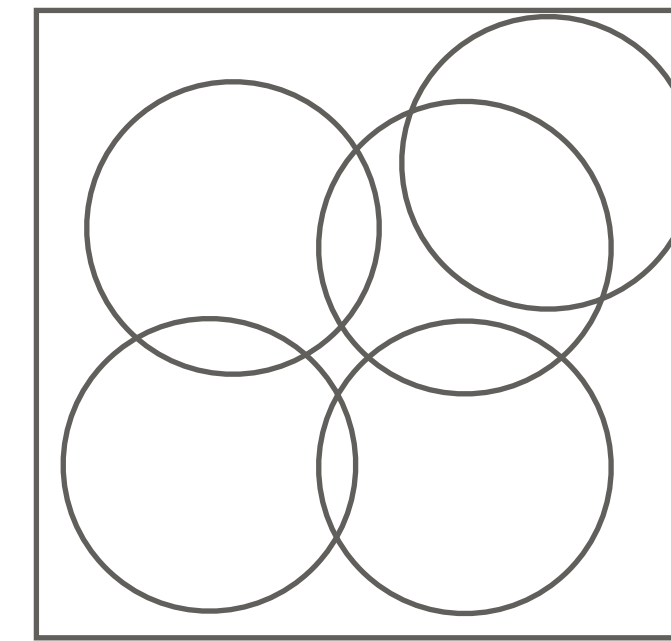
Physical  
space



SAT



J



UNSAT

Capacity limit in NN  
~ Jamming

Energy



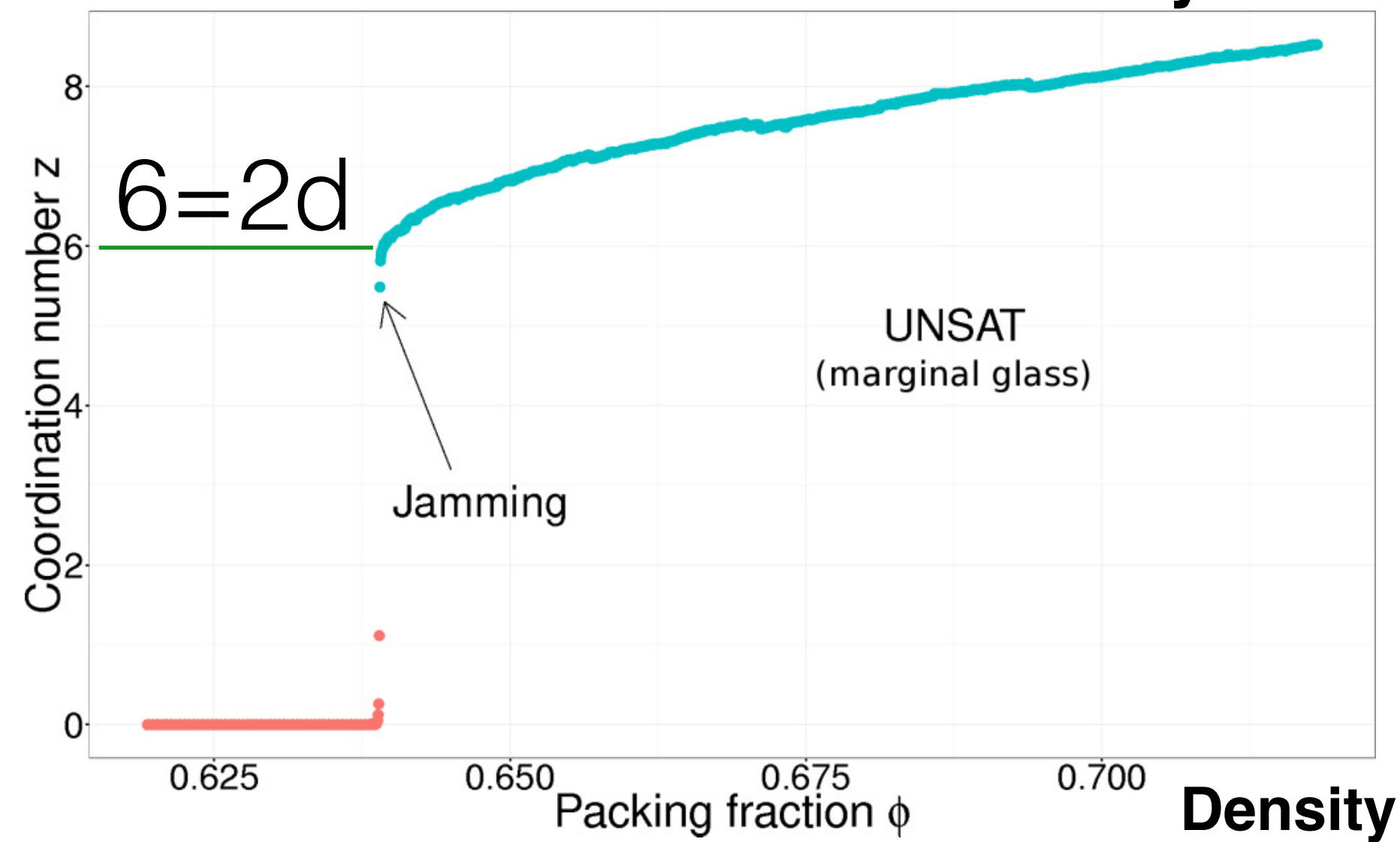
Jamming

Density



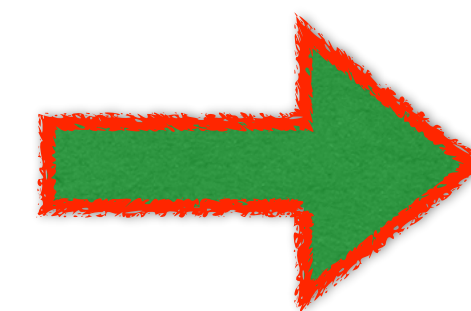
# Nature of the jamming point

Number of contacts vs density



Maxwell counting argument

$dN_c$  # of degrees of freedom



mechanical equilibrium

$$z \geq 2d$$

$zN_c/2$  # of contact forces

**Jamming is an 'isostatic' marginal point**

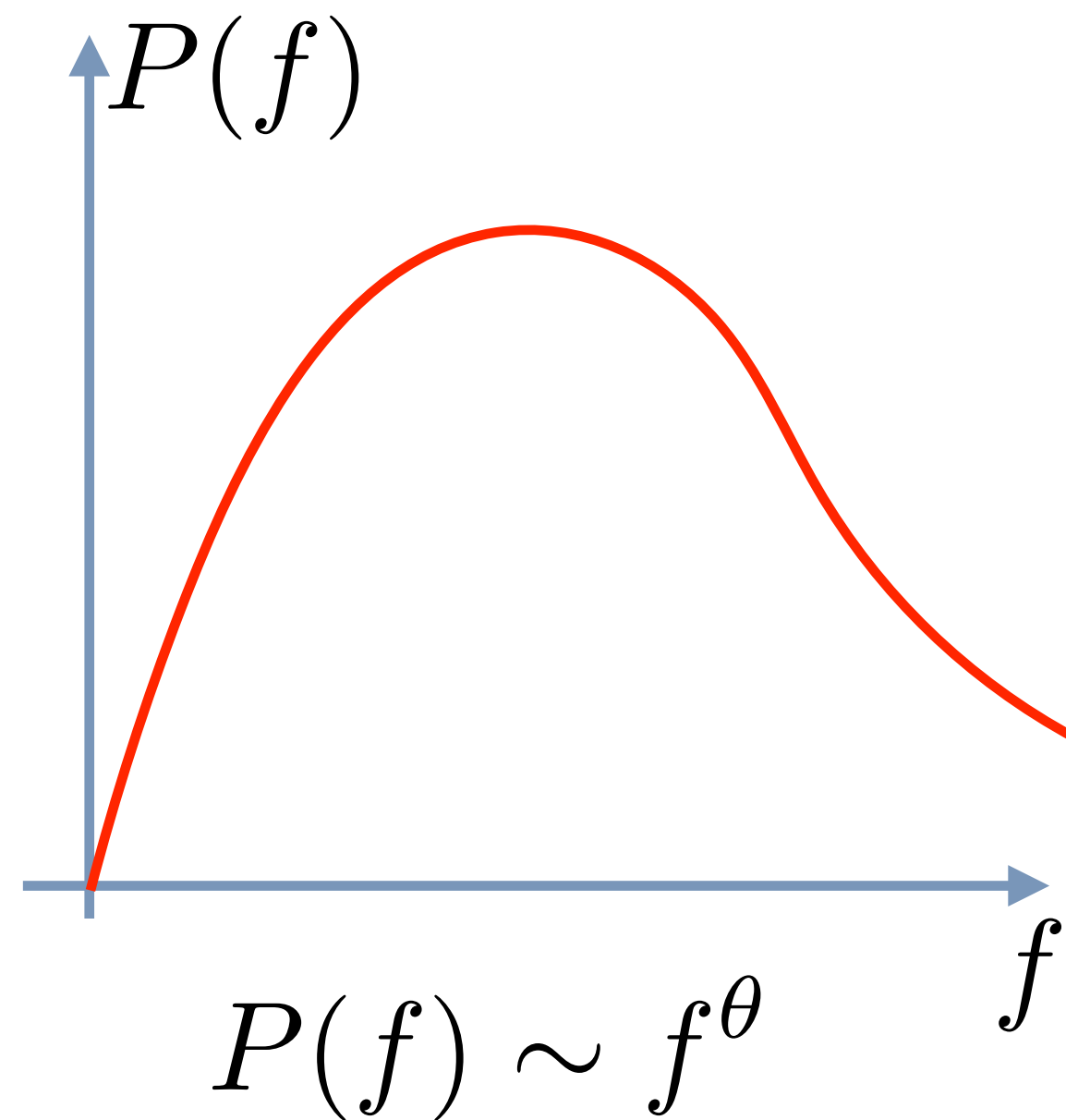
$$z_c = 2d$$

Moukarzel PRL 1988  
 Tkachenko, Witten PRE 1999  
 Lubensky et al 2015

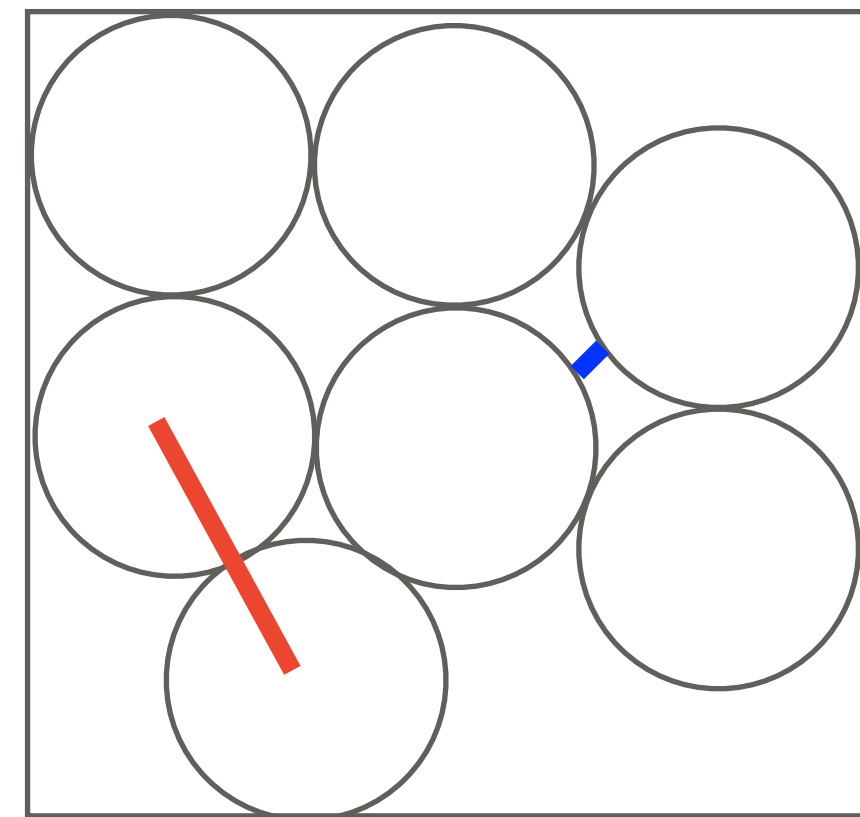
# Critical microstructure of packings

Smoking gun of criticality

## Force distribution

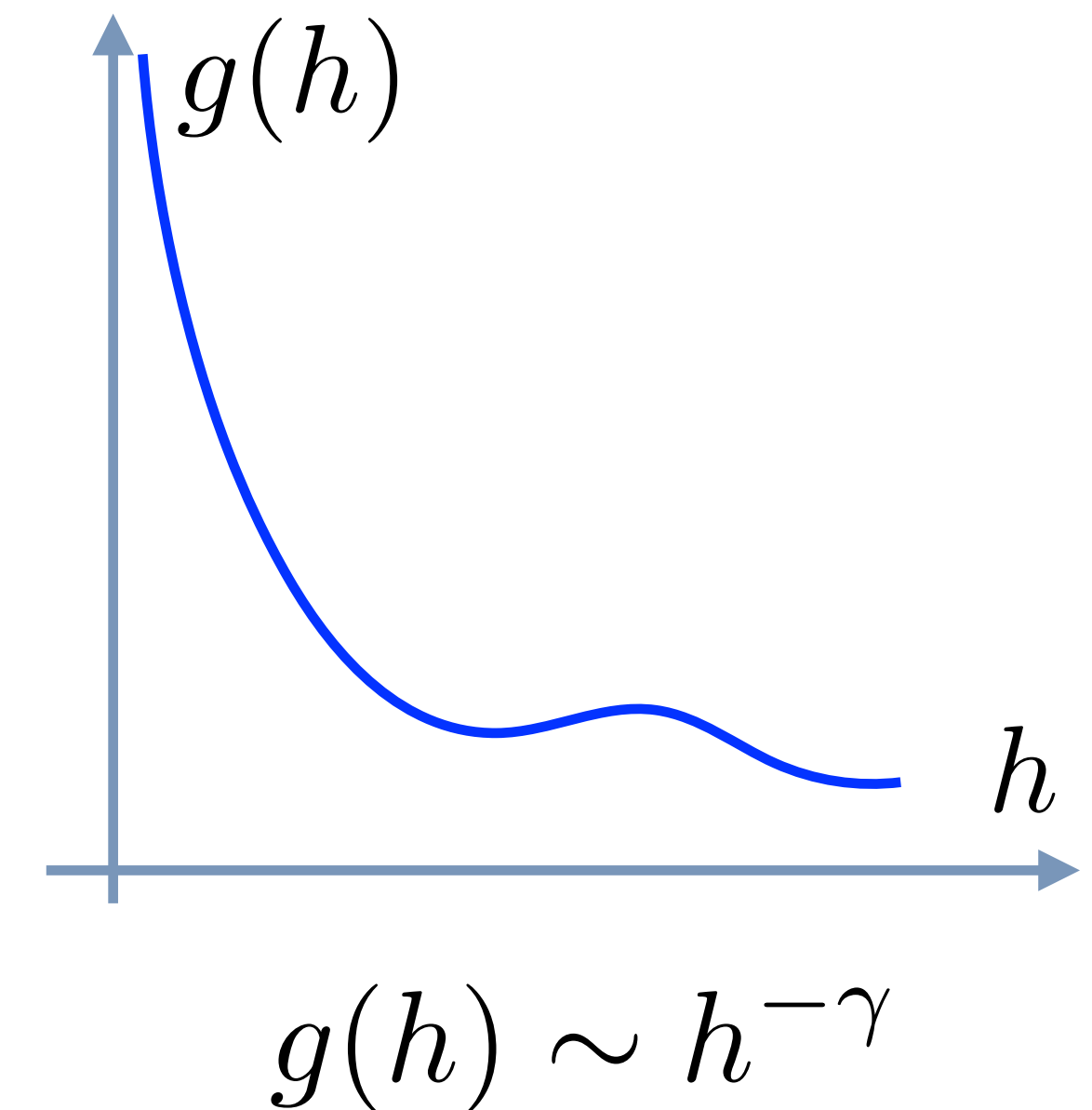


$\theta$  &  $\gamma$  Non trivial exponents



$$\gamma = 1/(2 + \theta)$$

## Gap distribution



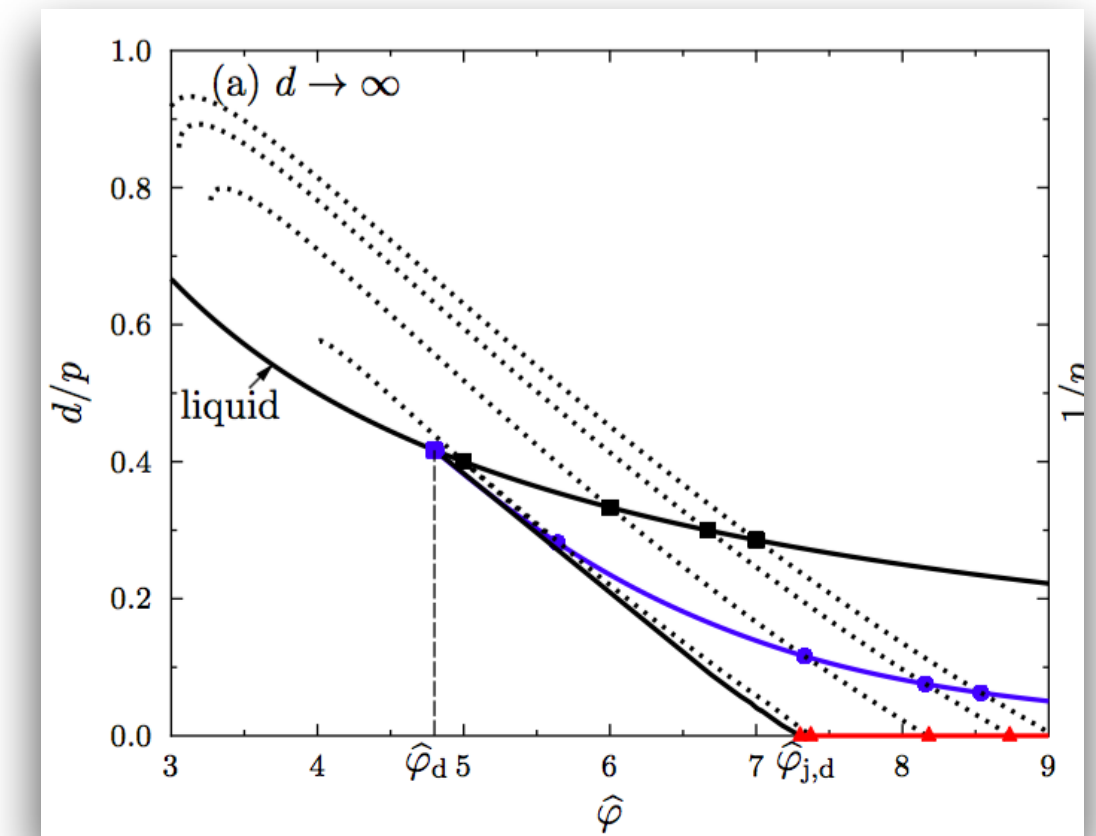
Wyart, PRL 109 (12), 125502

Lerner, Düring, Wyart, Soft Matter 9 (34), 8252-8263

Charbonneau, Corwin, Parisi, Zamponi, PRL 114 (12), 125504

# High Dimensional Soft Spheres

- Exact Solution for  $D \rightarrow \infty$
- Ideal glass transition & Jamming
- Existence of a low temperature marginal glass
- Computation of Jamming Exponents  $\theta = 0.42311$   $\gamma = 0.41269$
- Surprisingly exponents do not depend on D in simulations

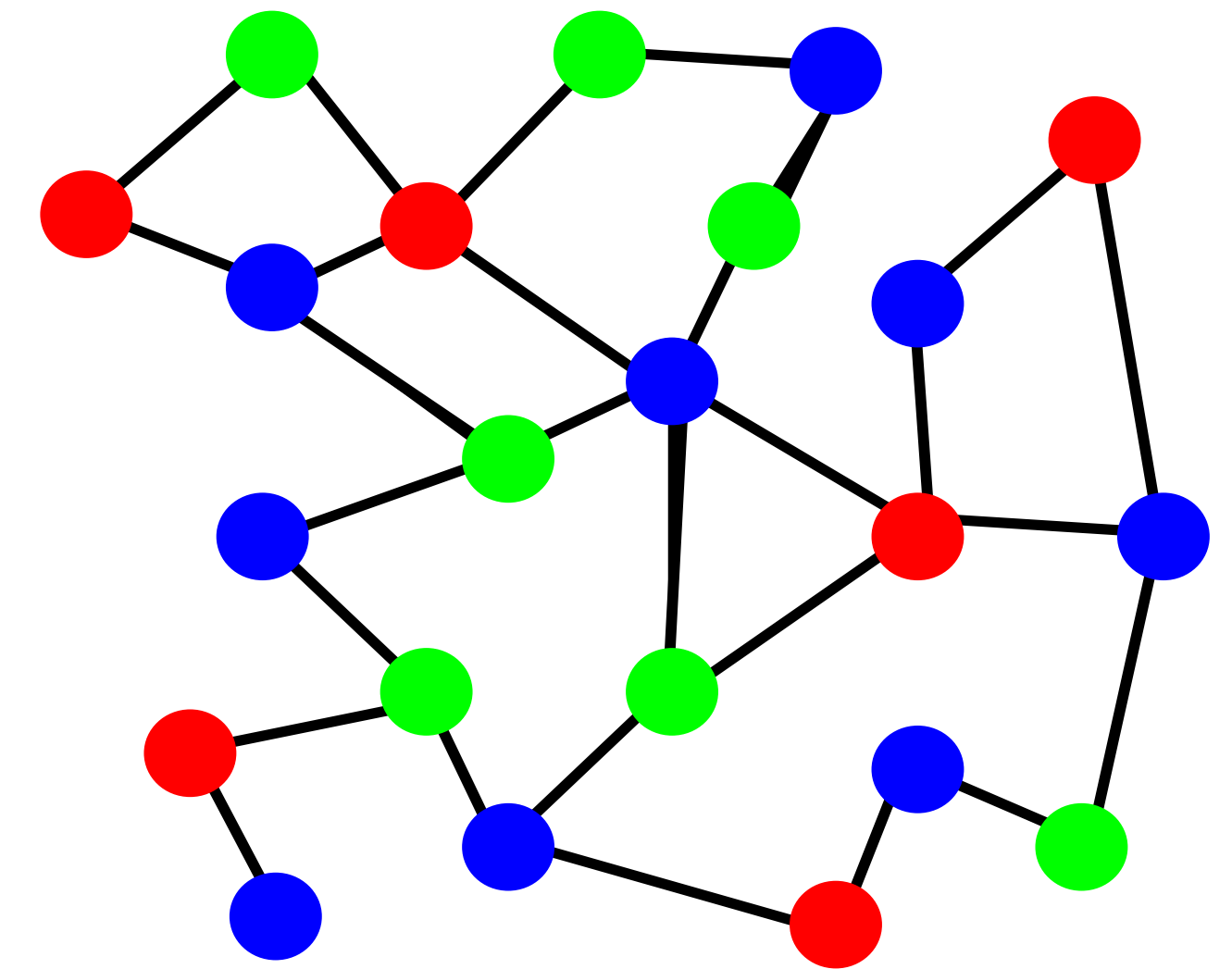


# Stat-Phys of Constraint Satisfaction

- **Graph Coloring (COL):** Given a graph and  $q$  colors, colour the vertexes such that no edges consists on vertexes of the same colour — Ground State of a **Potts Antiferromagnet** —

$$H[x] = \#(\text{violated constraints})$$

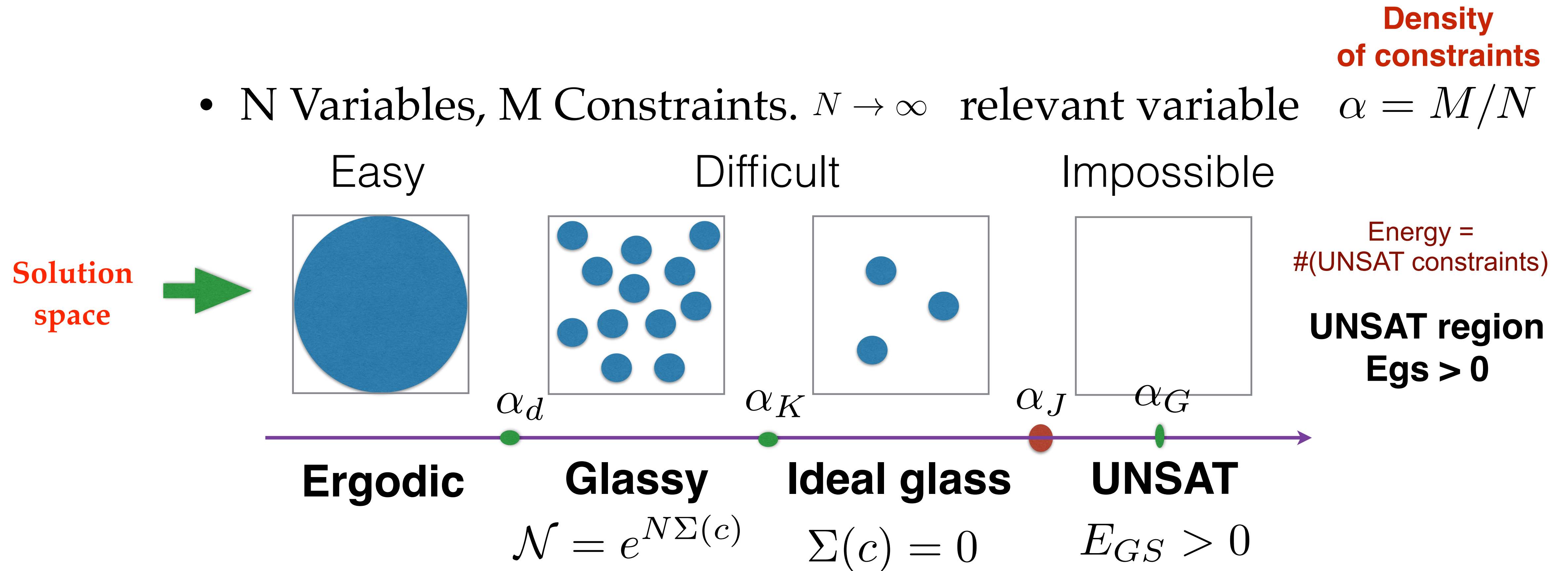
- More generally, **Constraint Satisfaction Problems:** given  $N$  variables and  $M$  constraints
  - (1) Does it exist a SAT assignment
  - (2) Find it.



**Discrete Problems : Important in Computer Science**

# Random CSP

- N Variables, M Constraints.  $N \rightarrow \infty$  relevant variable  $\alpha = M/N$



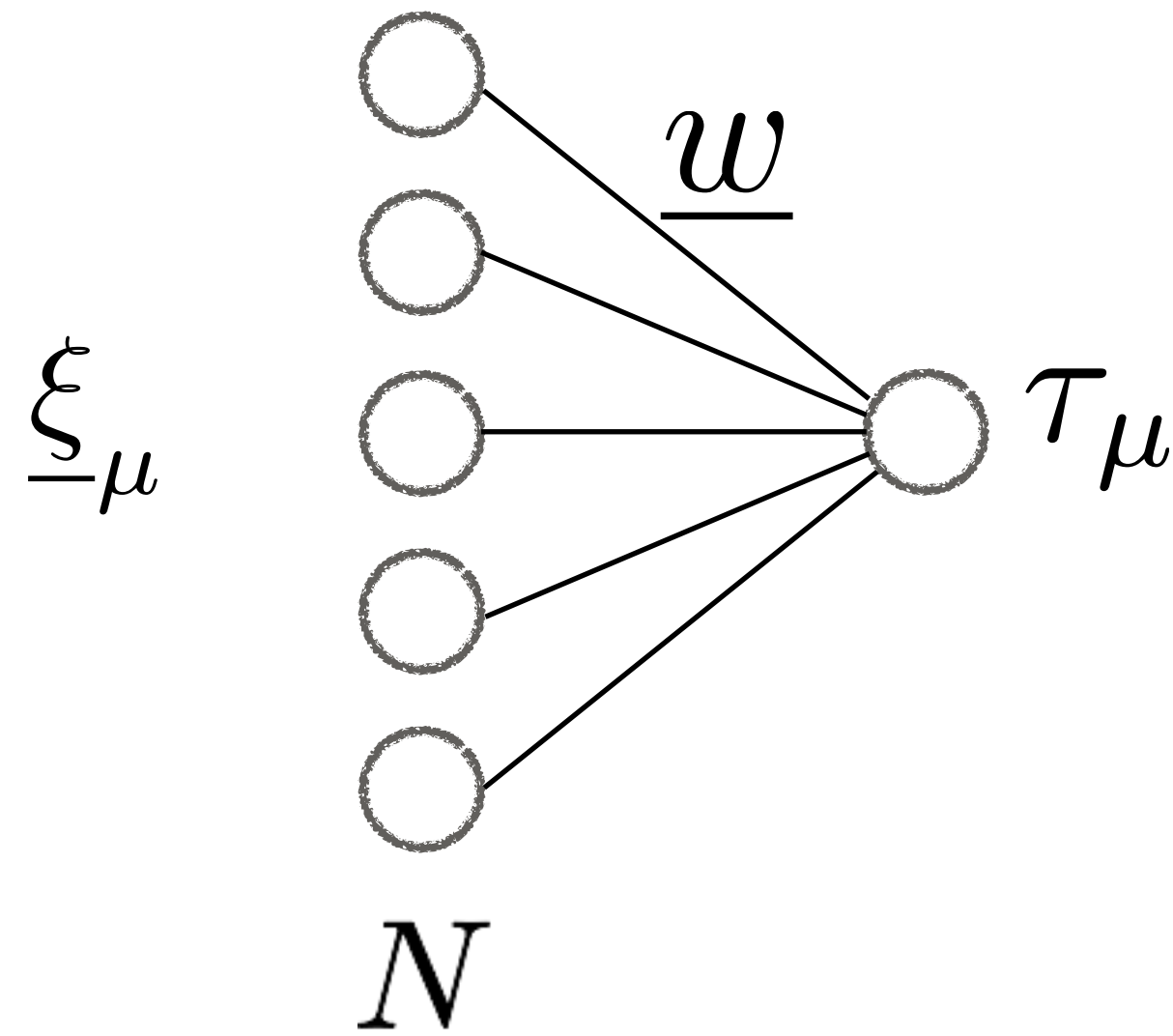
Exact Solution with **Cavity-RSB** techniques Mezard Parisi Zecchina Science 297, 812 (2002)

Krzakala, Montanari Ricci-Tersenghi Semerjian Zdeborova PNAS 104.25 (2007): 10318 + many others



# The Perceptron

Model for a Single Neuron — Linear Classifier



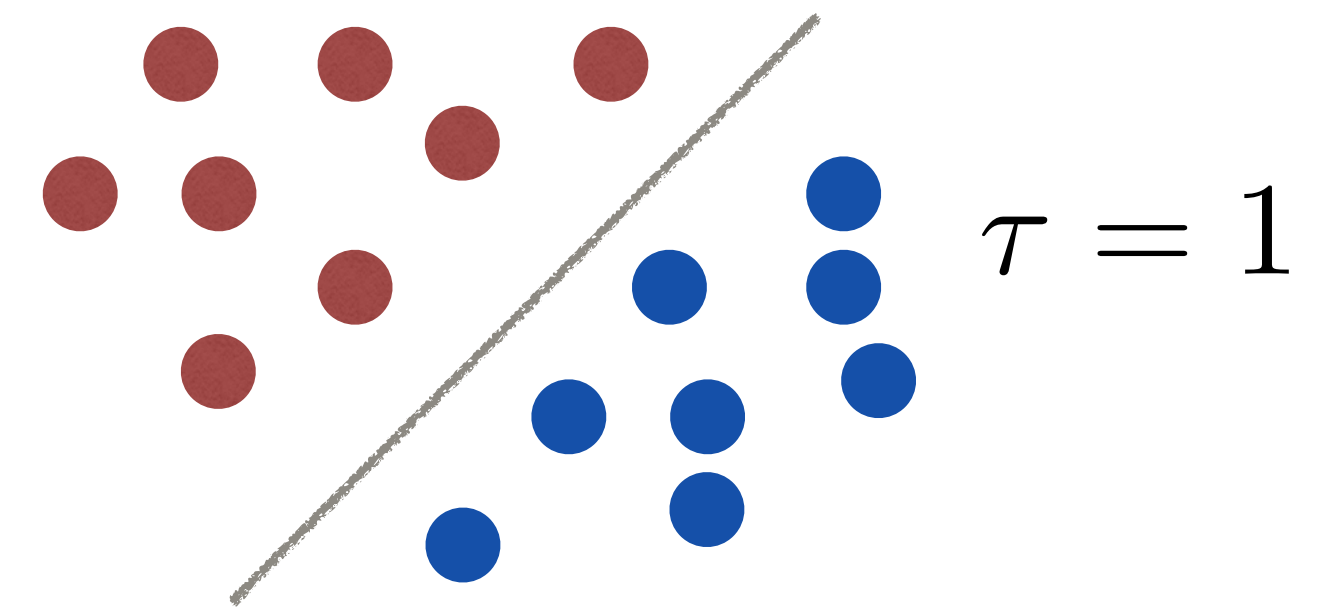
$$|\underline{w}|^2 = N$$

$$\tau_\mu = \text{sgn} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \underline{\xi}^\mu \cdot \underline{w} \right)$$

$$\tau_\mu \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \underline{\xi}^\mu \cdot \underline{w} > 0$$

$$\tau_\mu \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \underline{\xi}^\mu \cdot \underline{w} > \sigma \quad \text{add stability}$$

$$\tau = -1$$



$$h_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \tau_\mu \underline{\xi}_\mu \cdot \underline{w} - \sigma$$

Gaps

$$H[\underline{w}] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu=1}^{\alpha N} h_\mu^2 \theta(-h_\mu)$$

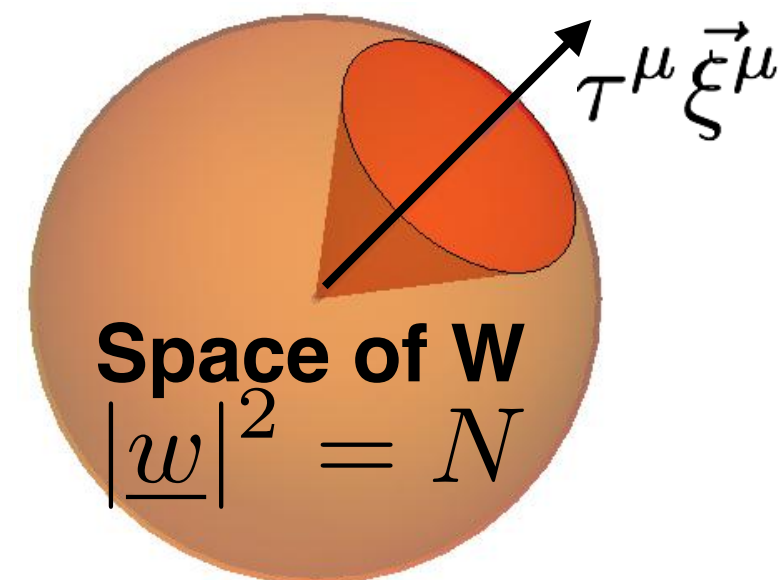
Cost function:  
harmonic perceptron

# Information Storage Problem

- ❖ Data without structure  $\xi_i^\mu$   $\tau^\mu$  Random associations

$$\tau_\mu \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \xi_i^\mu \cdot \underline{w} > \sigma$$

$$\sigma > 0$$



Easy Optimisation  
Convex

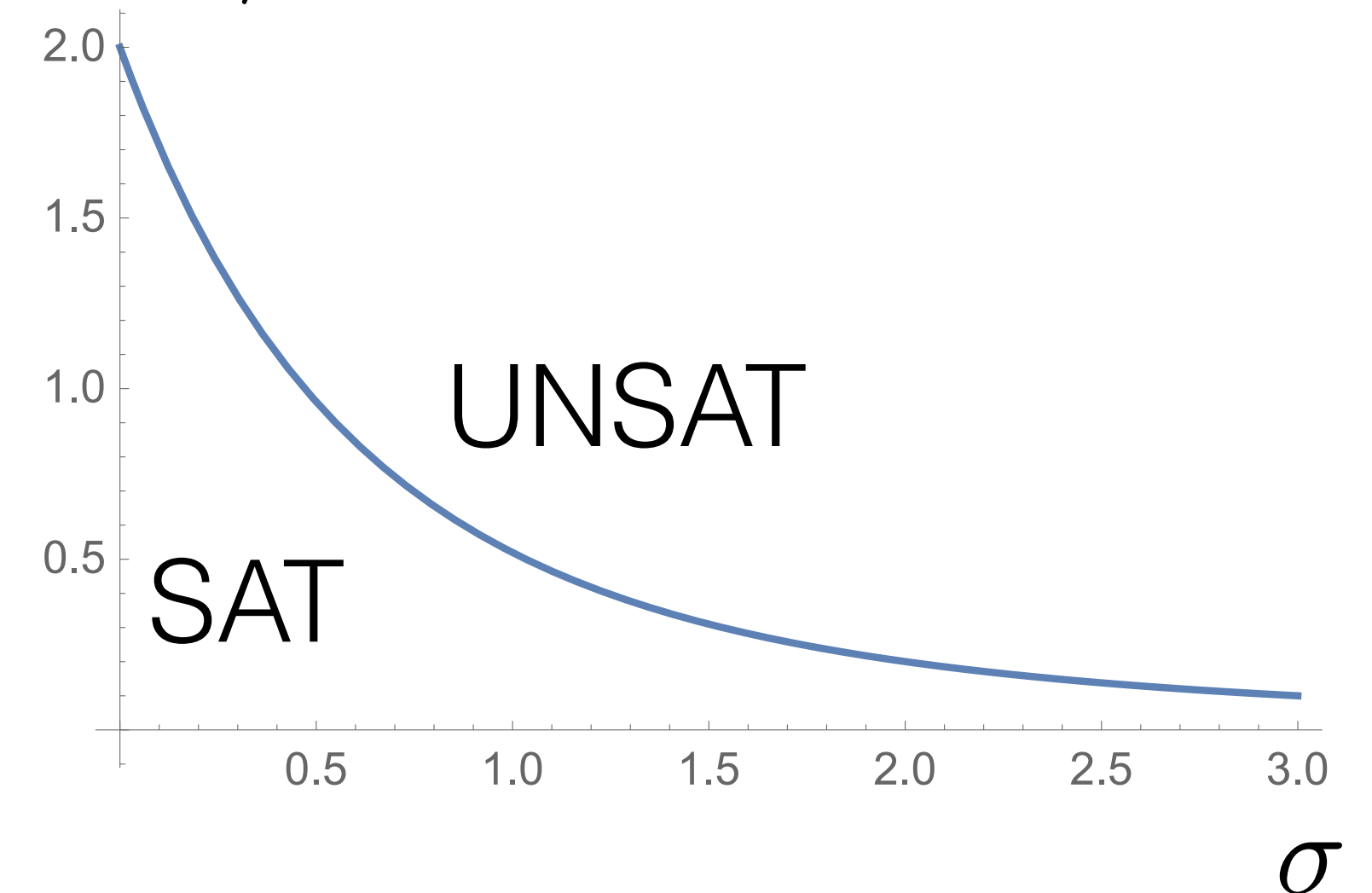
Exactly Solvable

- ❖ Limit of capacity  $\alpha_c$  Jamming SAT-UNSAT

**SAT phase: Unique cluster of solutions**

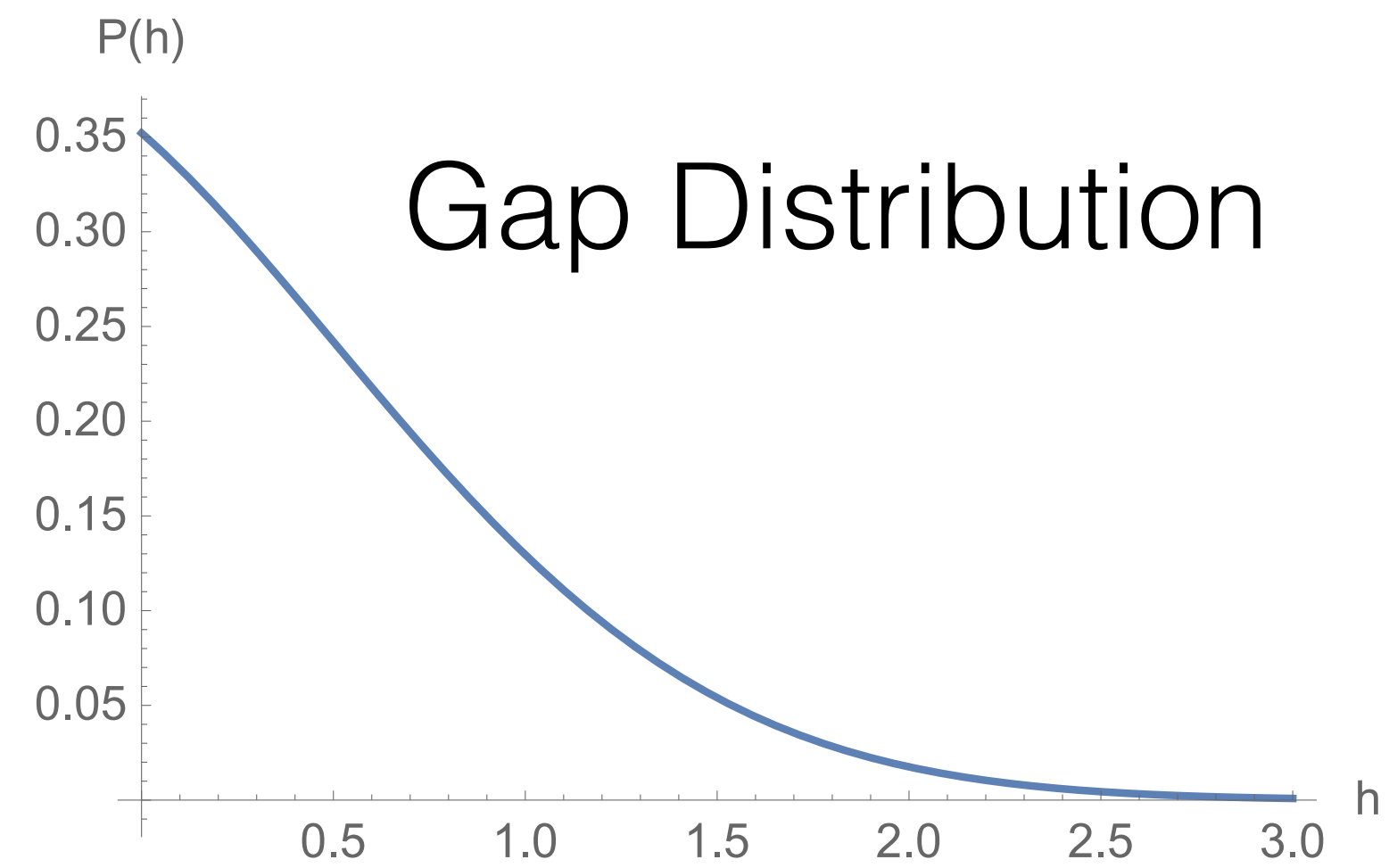
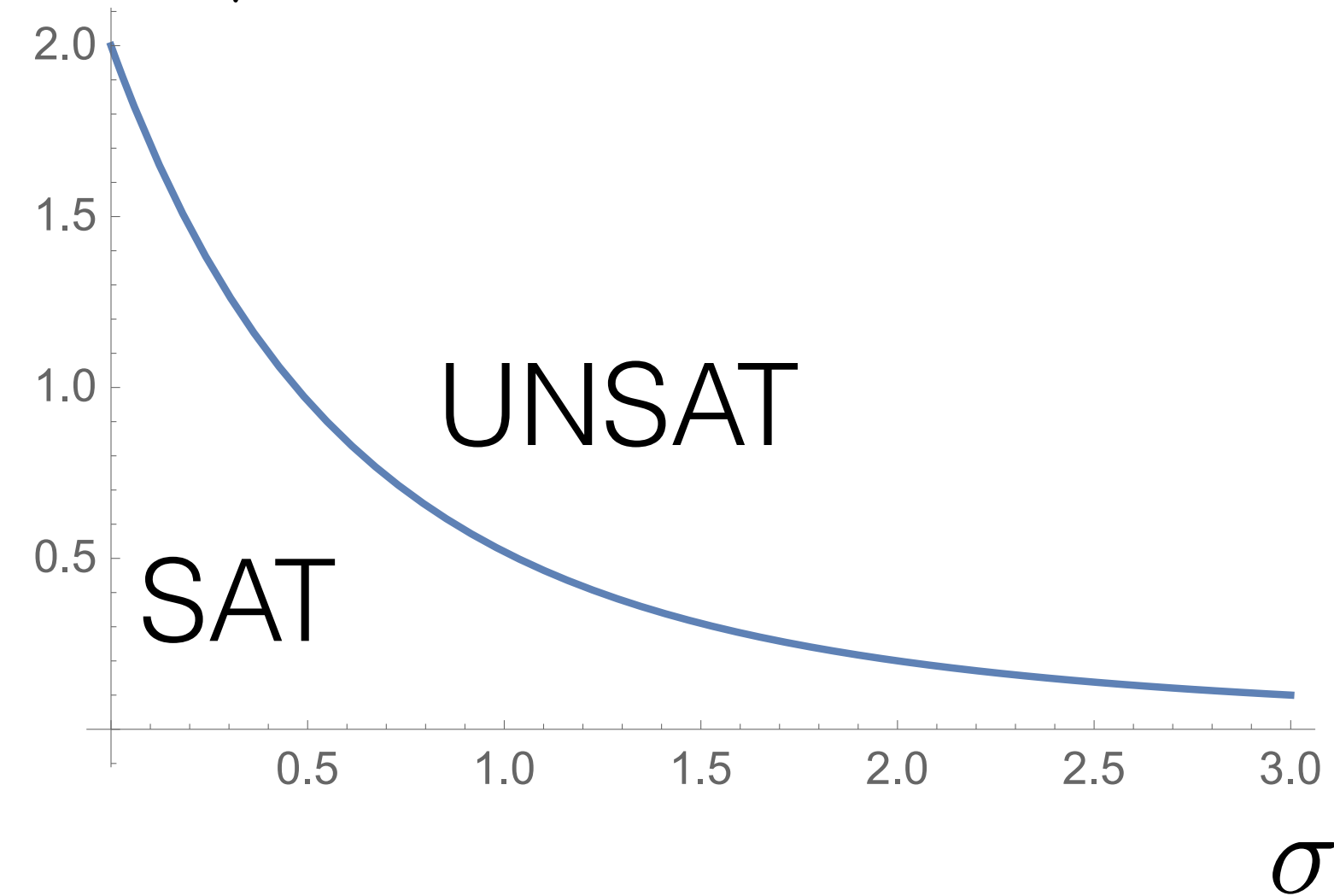
**UNSAT phase: Unique minimum**

$$\alpha = M/N$$



# The Capacity limit of the Perceptron

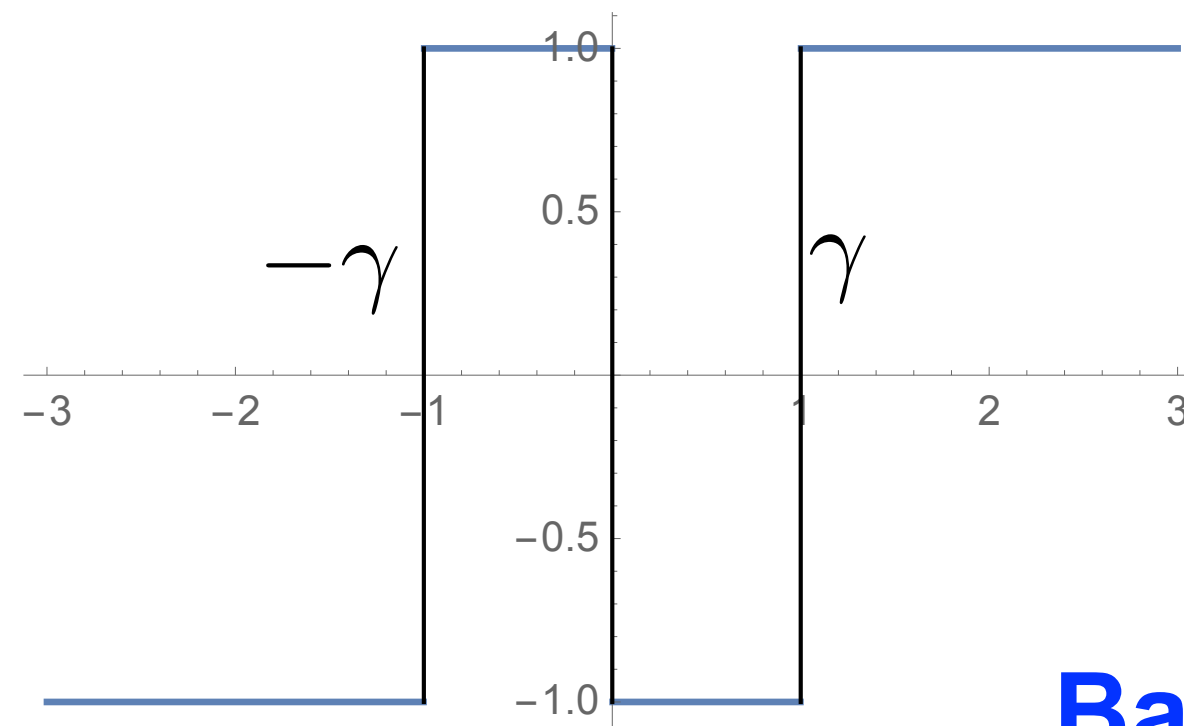
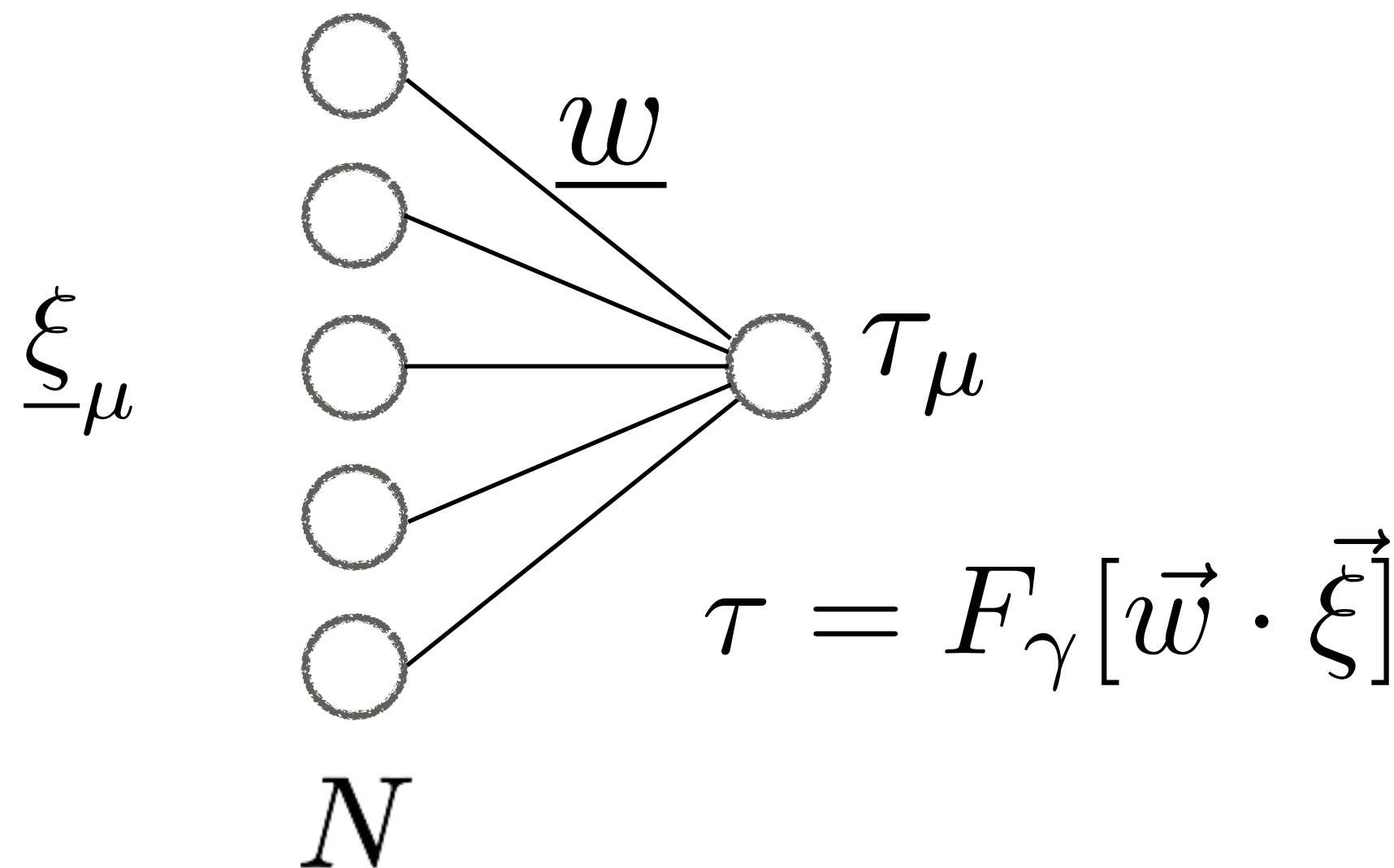
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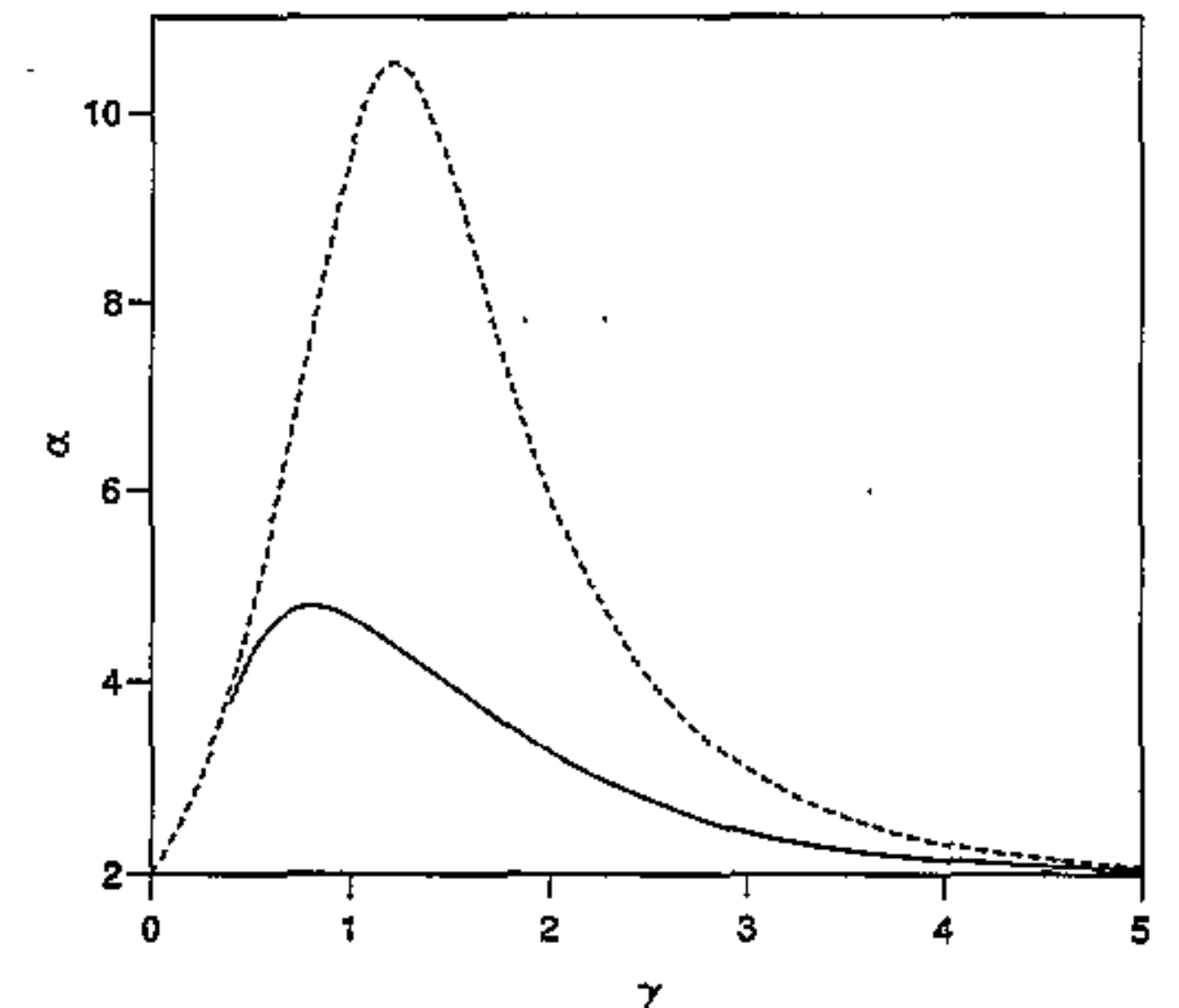
**SAT : Convex space of solutions**  
**UNSAT : Single Ground State**

# More interesting problems

- ❖ **Multilayer — Non Convex problems**
- ❖ **“Reverse Wedge Perceptron” : Perceptron with ‘internal representations’**

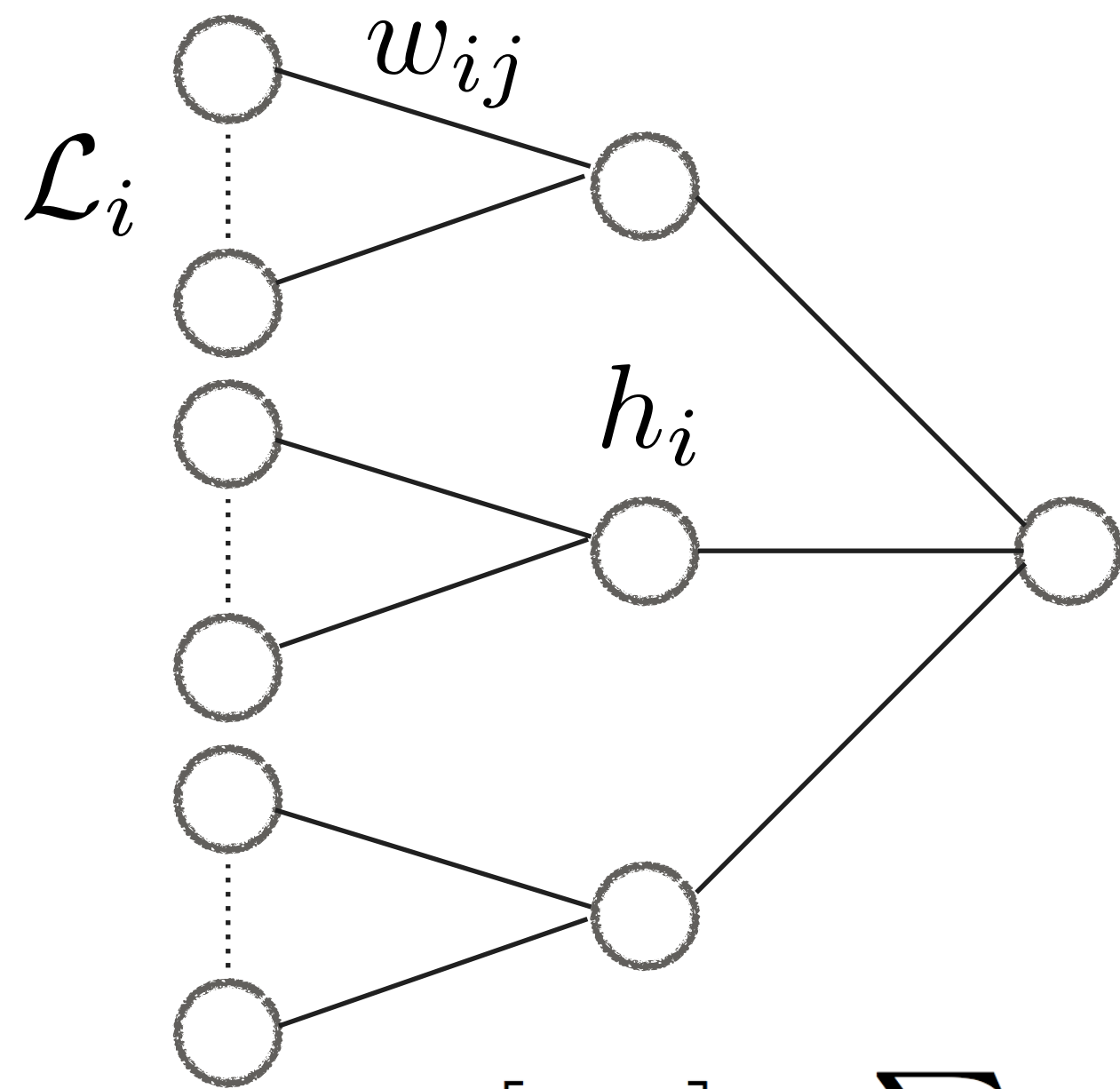


## Jamming in a Glassy Phase



# Multilayer neural networks

SF, Hwang, Urbani, 2018



Given random input-output associations

$$\{\xi^\mu, \tau_\mu\}$$

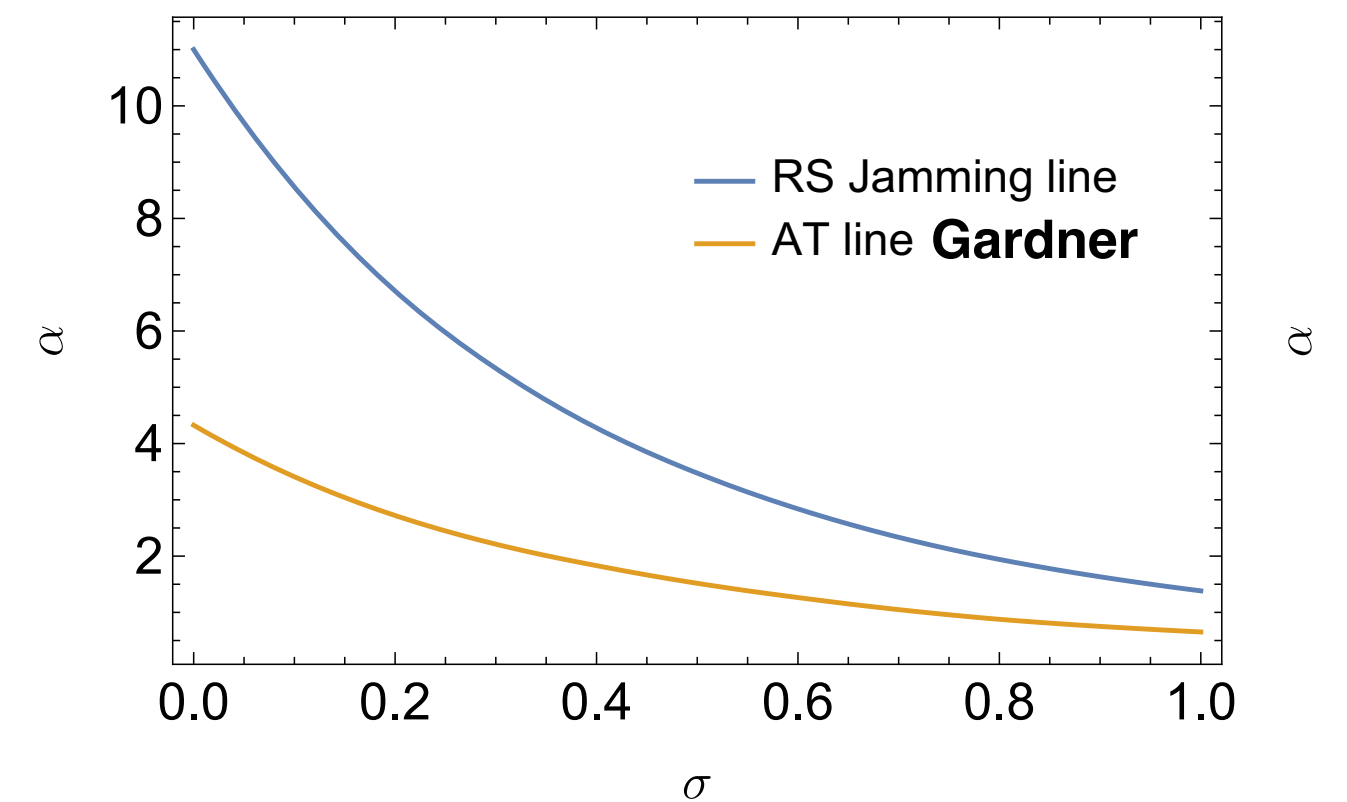
Find  $\underline{w}$  such that  $\Delta_\mu > 0 \quad \forall \mu$

$$\Delta_\mu = \Delta(h_1^\mu, \dots, h_K^\mu)$$

Constraints forbid  
K dimensional domains  
in the space of the h

$$h_i[\underline{w}, \underline{\xi}] = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_i} w_{i,j} \xi_j$$

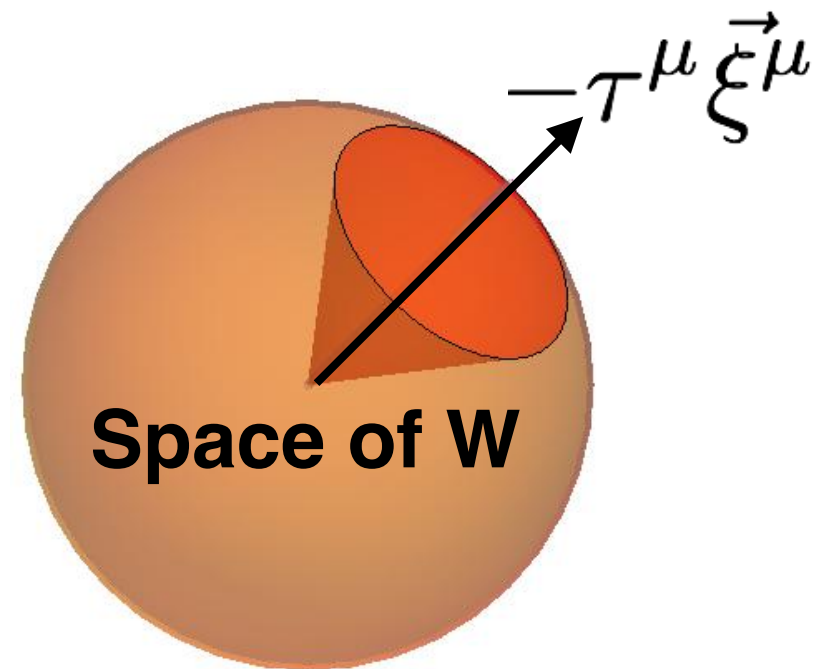
$$\mathcal{F}[h] = \begin{cases} \text{sgn} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^K h_i \right] & \text{parity} \\ \text{sgn} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K \text{erf} h_i \right] & \text{soft committee} \\ \text{sgn} \left[ \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \rho_{\text{ReLU}}(h_i, \sigma) - \sigma \right] & \text{ReLU 2-layer} \end{cases}$$



Monasson, Zecchina, Barkai, Hansel, Kanter, Engel, Sompolinsky, Saad, Solla '80-'90

# Negative Perceptron

Each Constraint Excludes a Convex region of the sphere



Red region Excluded

$$\tau_\mu \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \xi^\mu \cdot \underline{w} > \sigma$$

$$\sigma < 0$$

**Exactly Solvable**

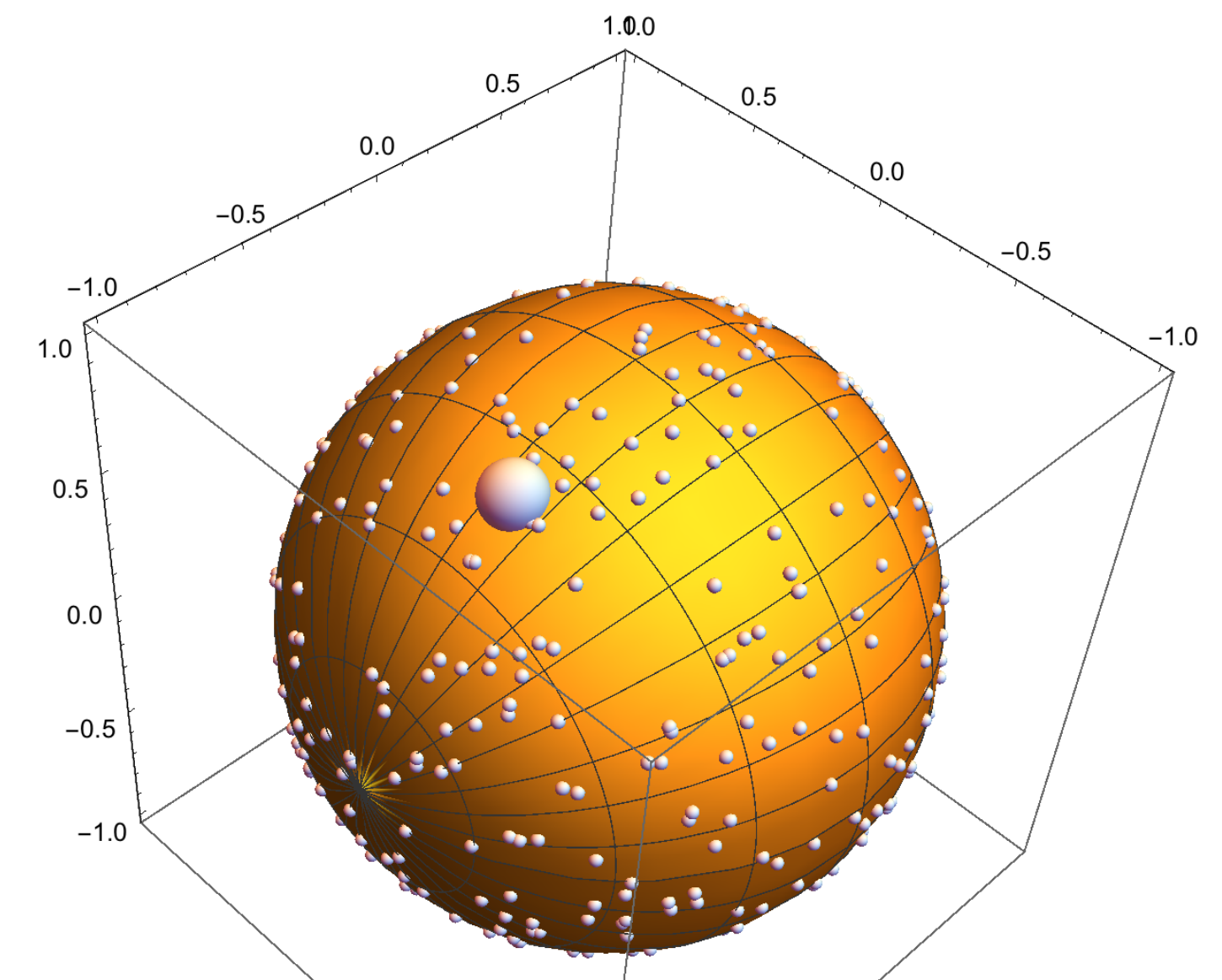
$\alpha = M/N$   
mean field limit  
Exact solution

## Lorentz Gas: Single Particle on the N Sphere + M obstacles

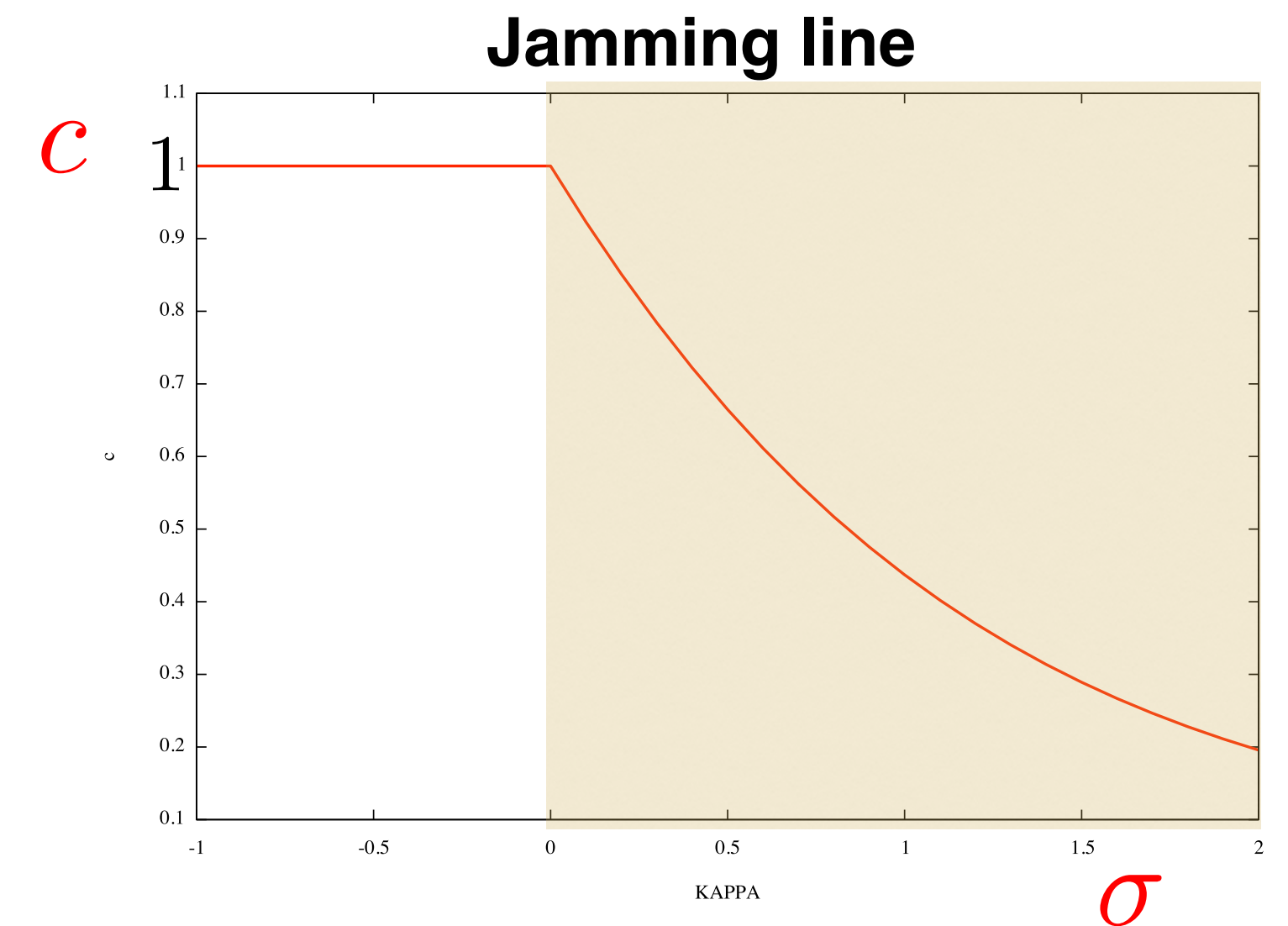
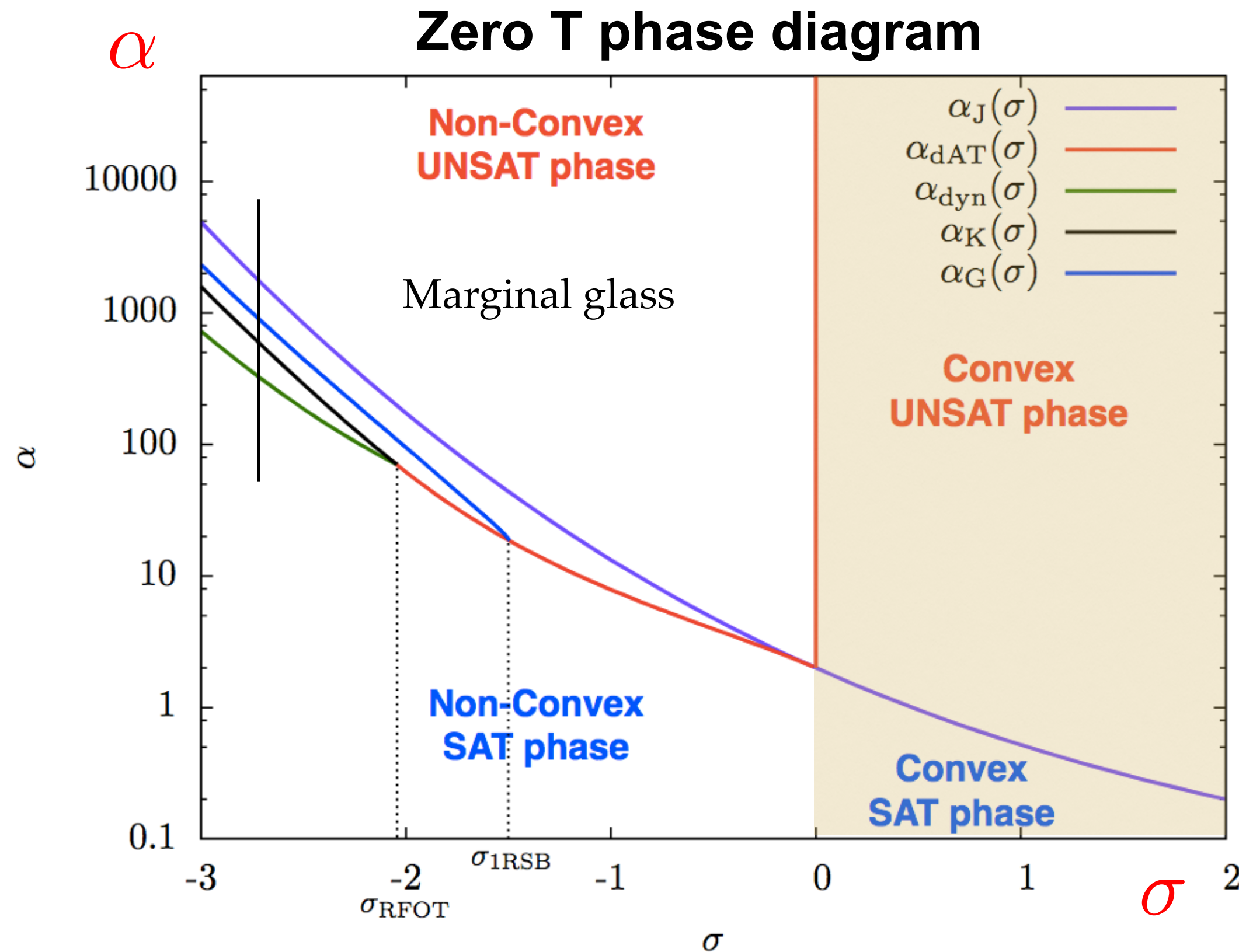
**Non convex** problem

Space of solutions can be **disconnected**

Multiple minima Glassy phases possible — RSB



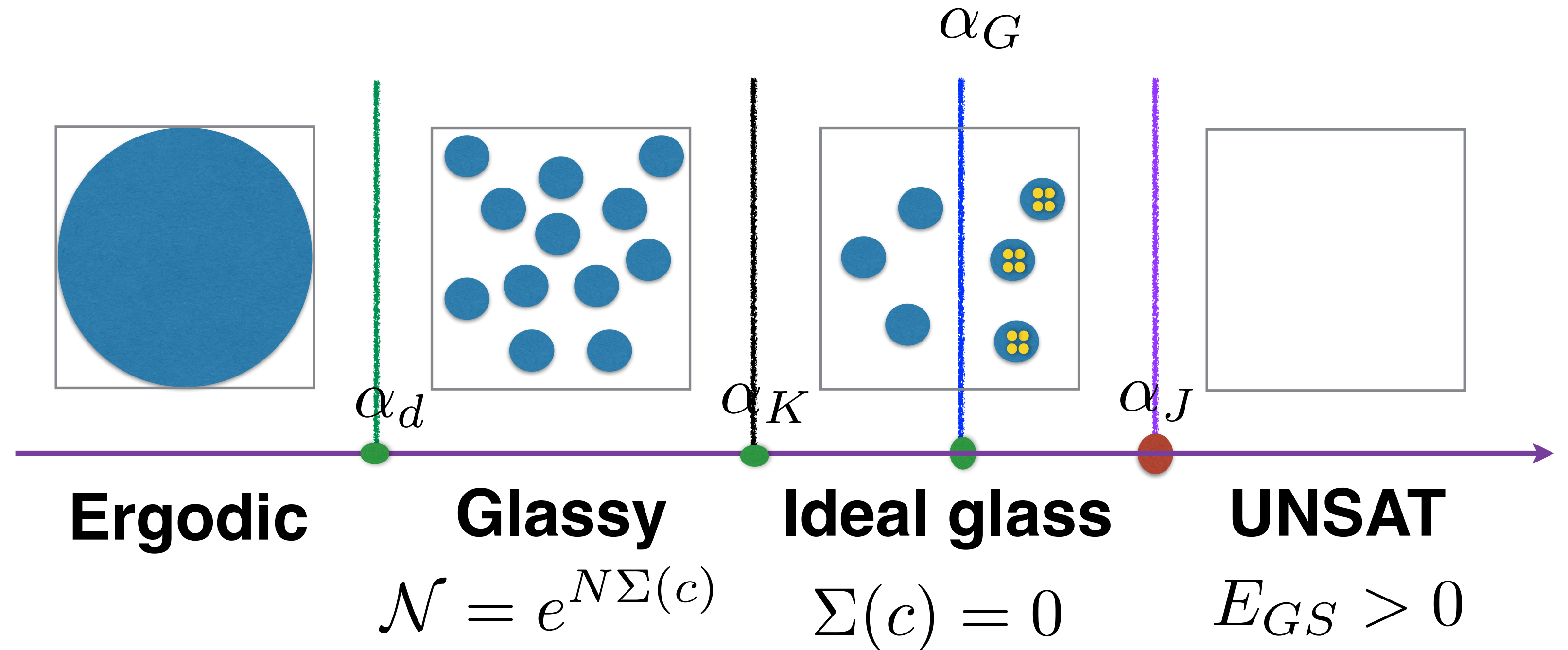
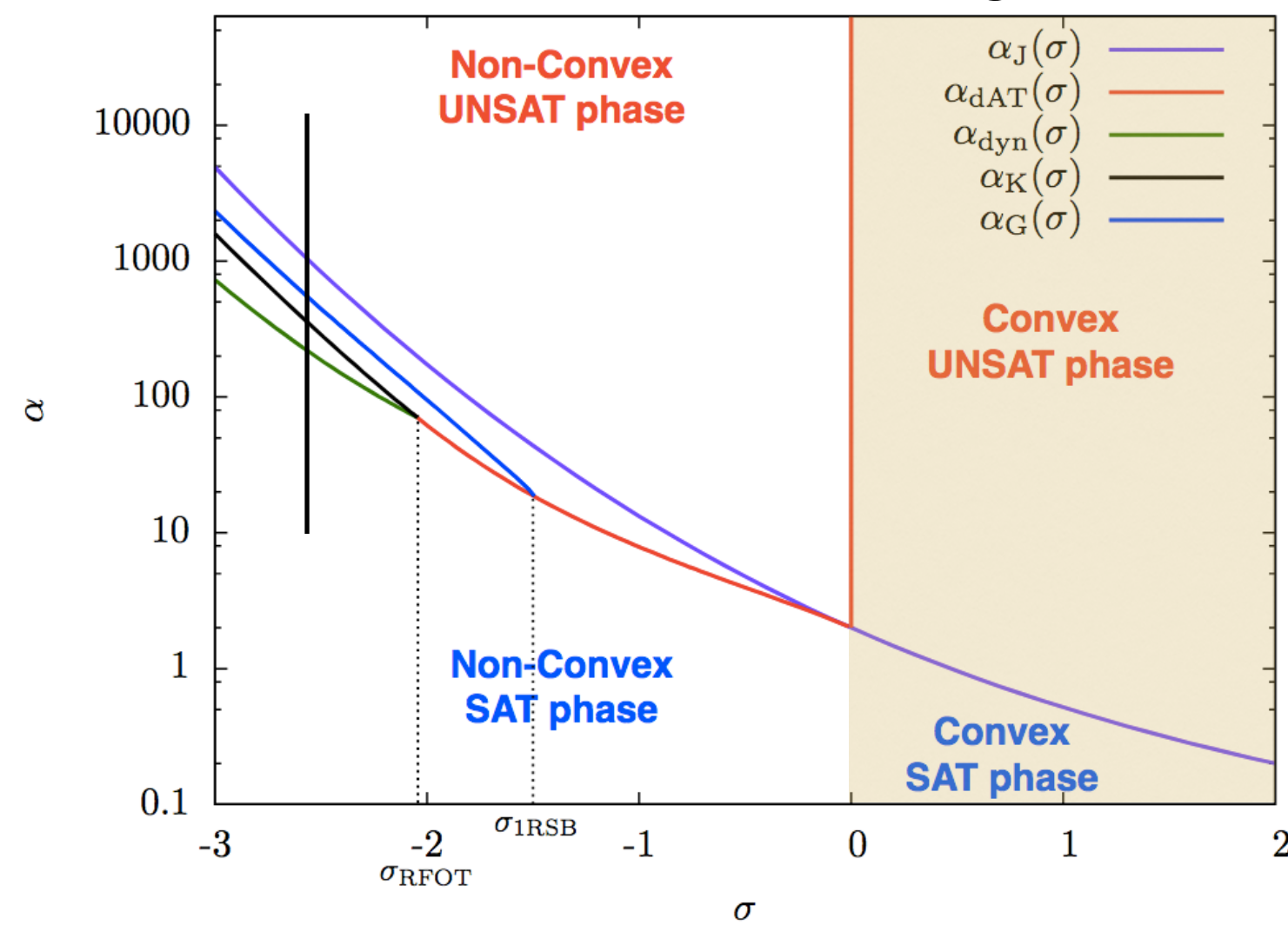
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Universal Pattern : Liquid  $\longrightarrow$  Stable Glass  $\longrightarrow$  Marginal Glass  $\longrightarrow$  Jamming  
 The jamming line lies in a Marginal (f-RSB) glassy

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Zero T phase diagram



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# Isostatic Jamming

A scaling regime  
close to jamming emerges  
Same universality class of  
hard spheres

**Pseudo-gap in force distribution**

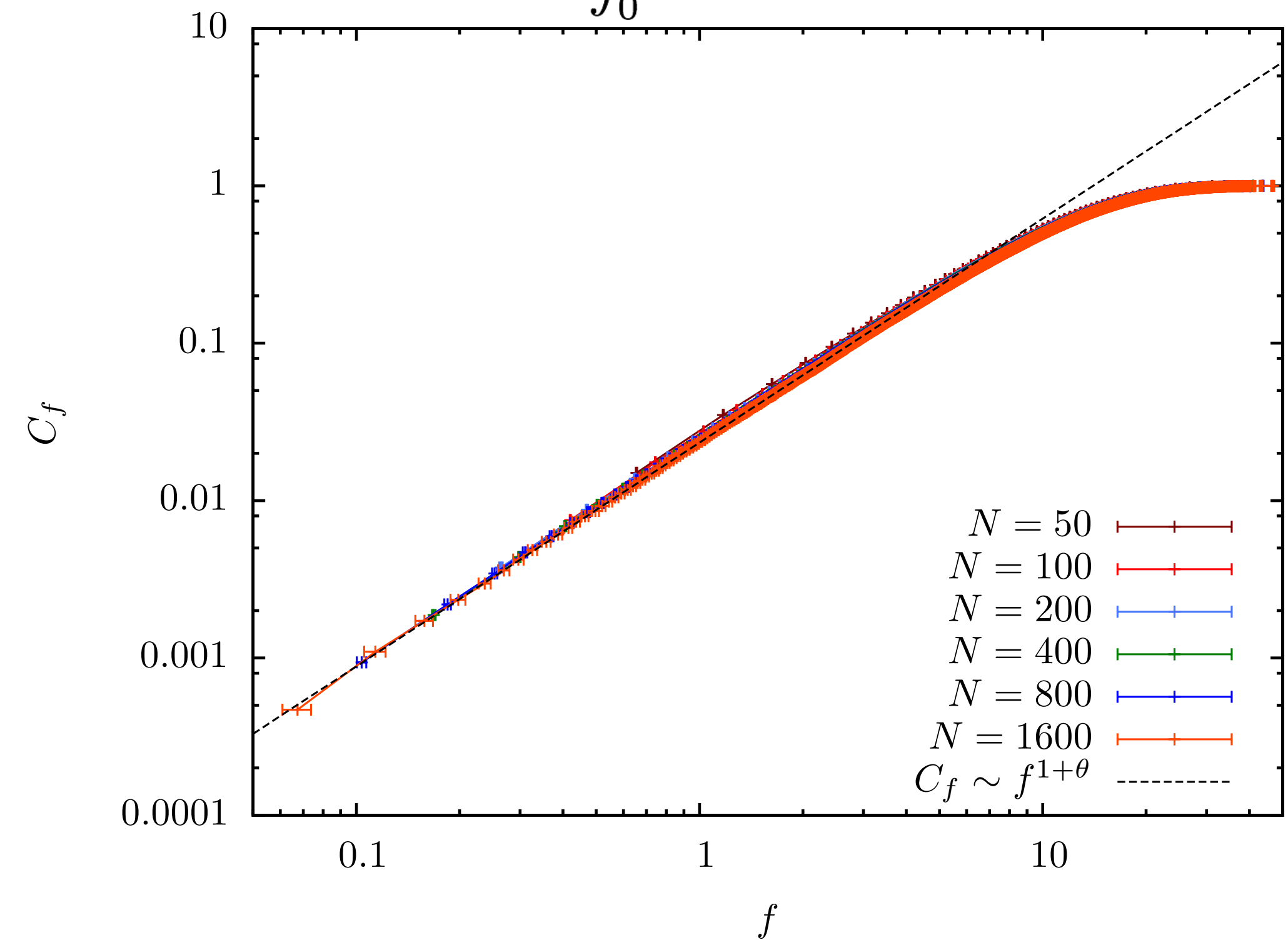
$$P(f) \sim f^\theta \quad \theta = 0.42311$$

**Singular Power Law in gap distribution**

$$P(h) \sim h^{-\gamma} \quad \gamma = 0.41269$$

**Same Exponents as Spheres !**

$$C_f = \int_0^f df' P(f') \sim f^{1+\theta}$$



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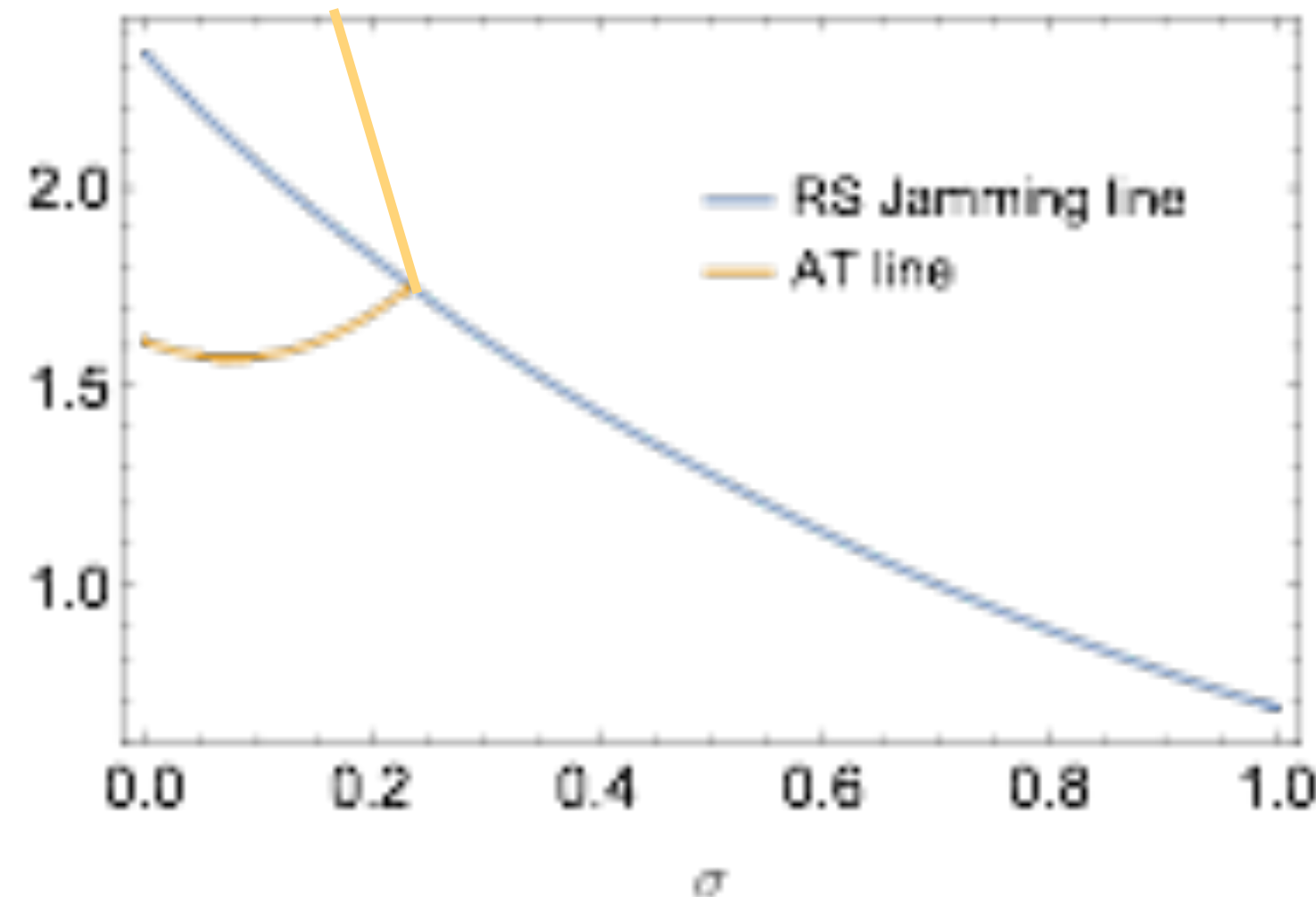
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Gap variables

Parity 
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K dimensional domains  
in the space of the  
 $\{h_1, \dots, h_K\}$



K=3 Committee

Jamming from the ergodic phase  
Hypostatic & Noncritical

Jamming from marginal glass  
Isostatic & Critical

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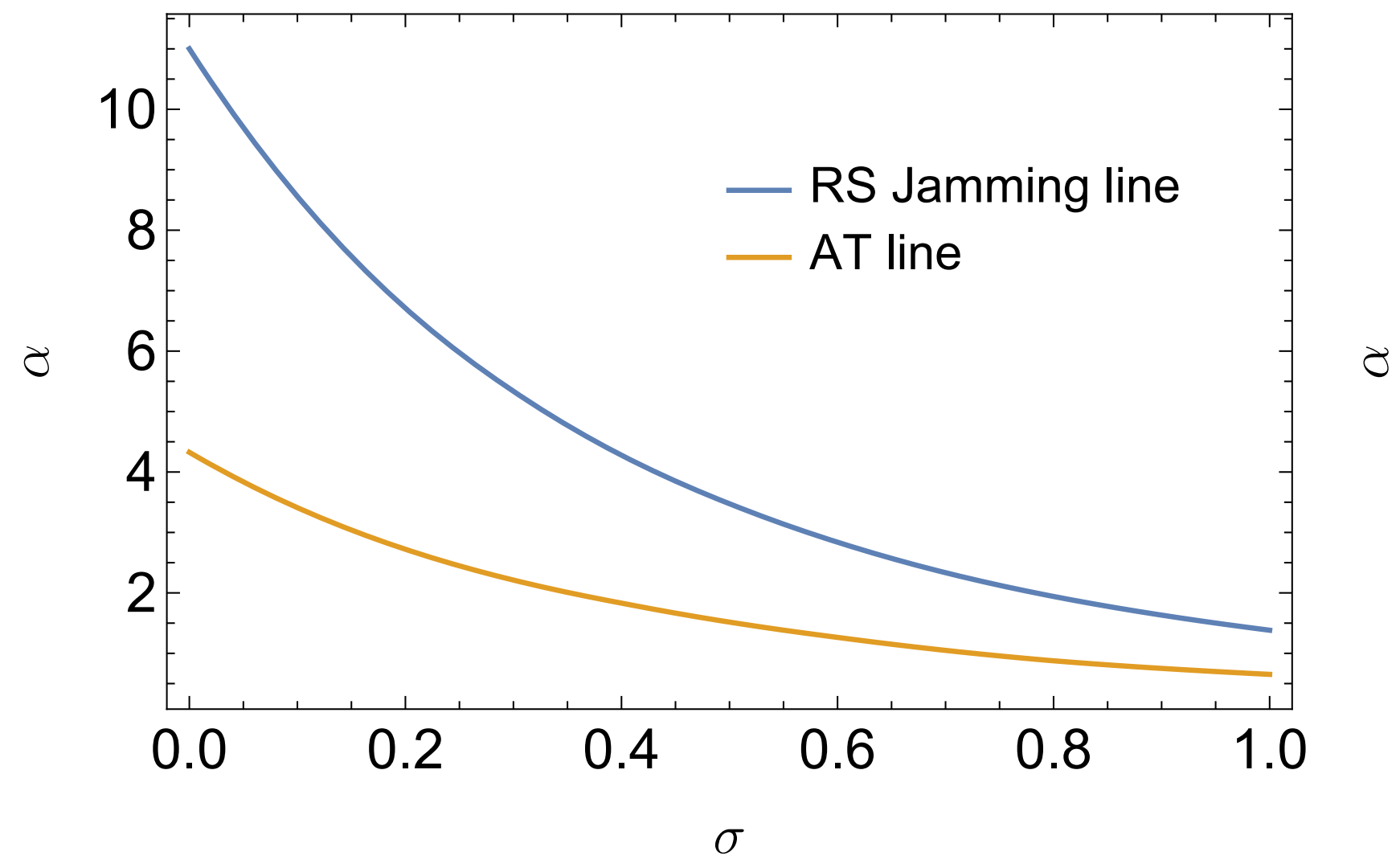
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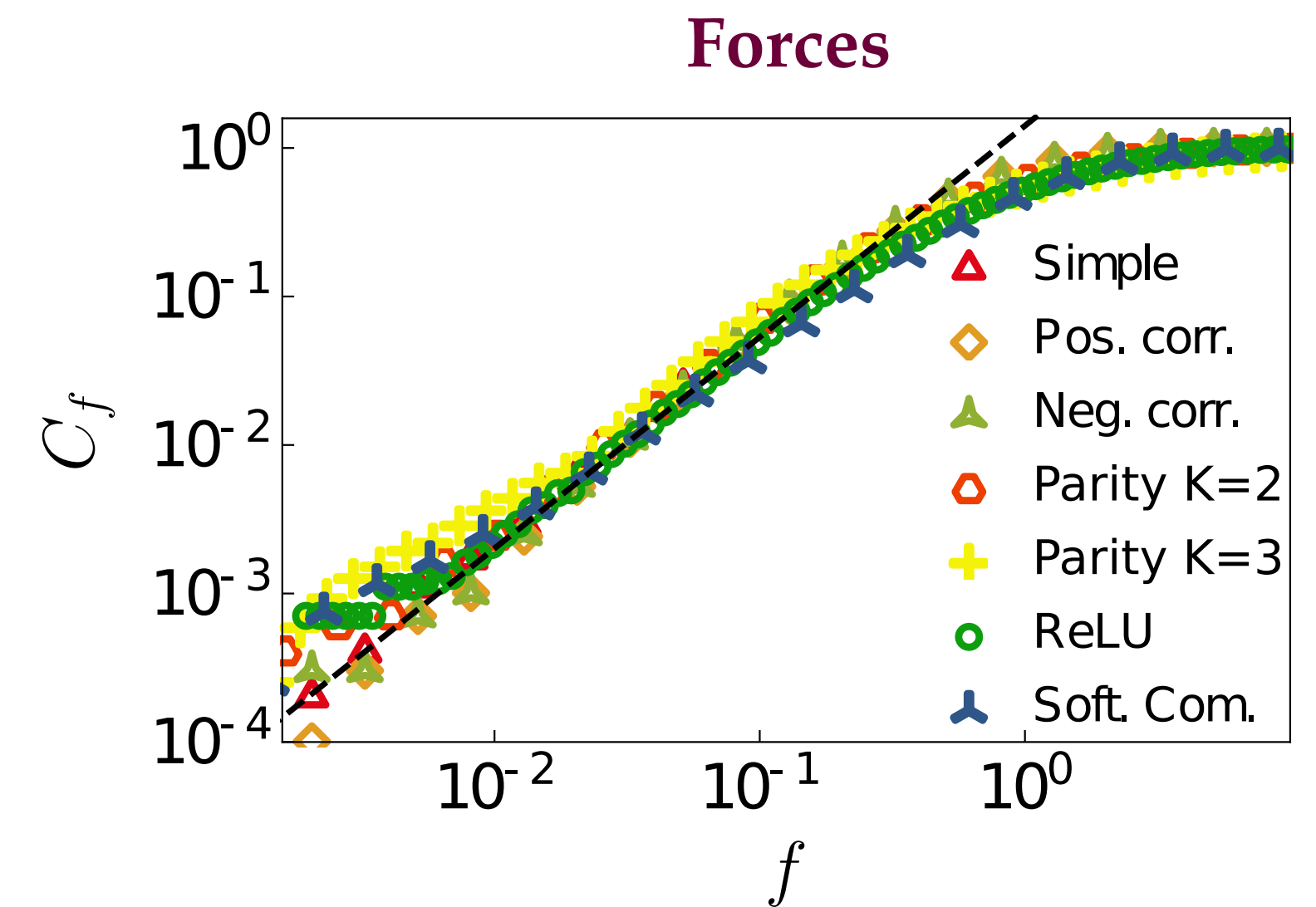
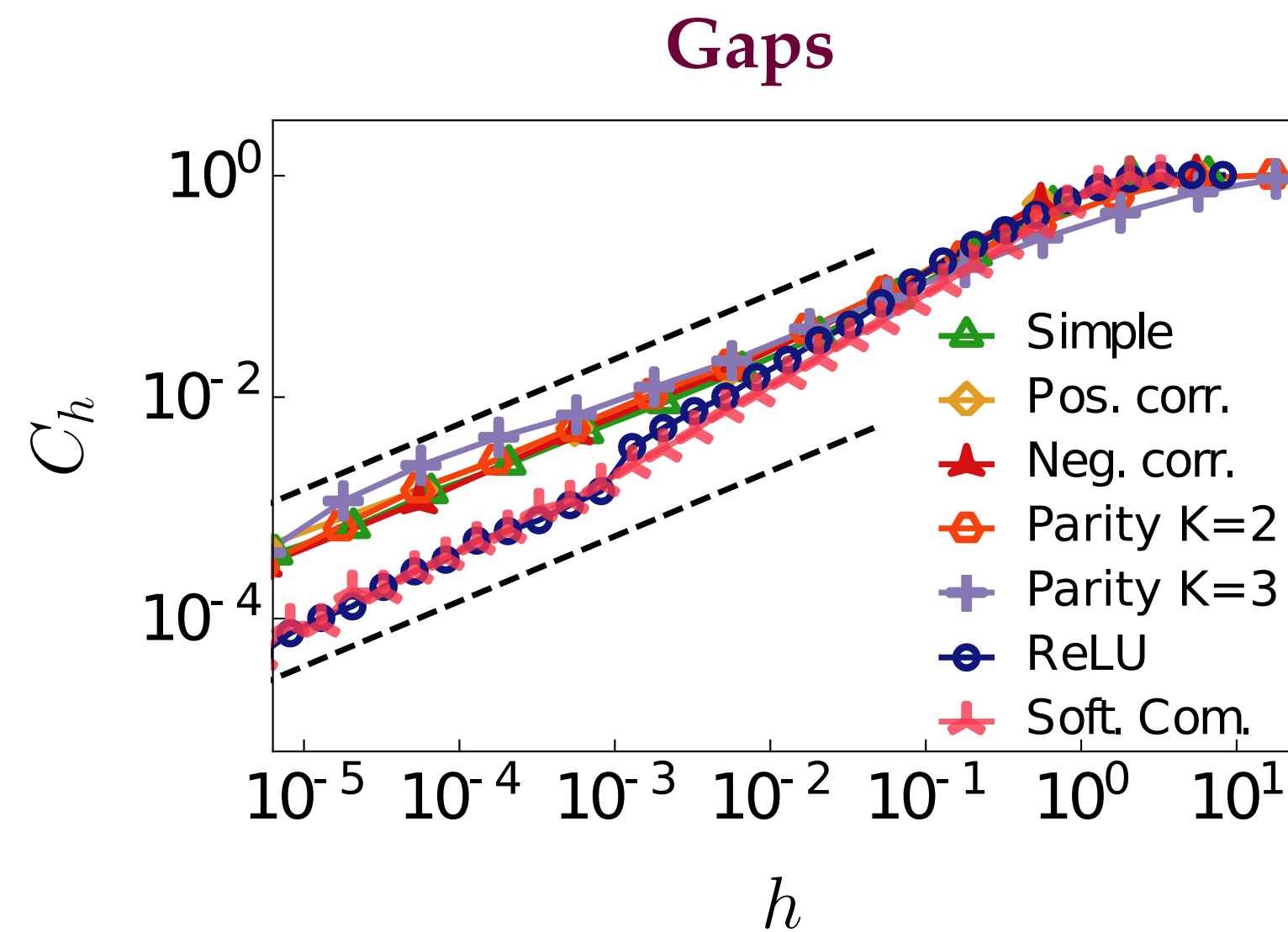
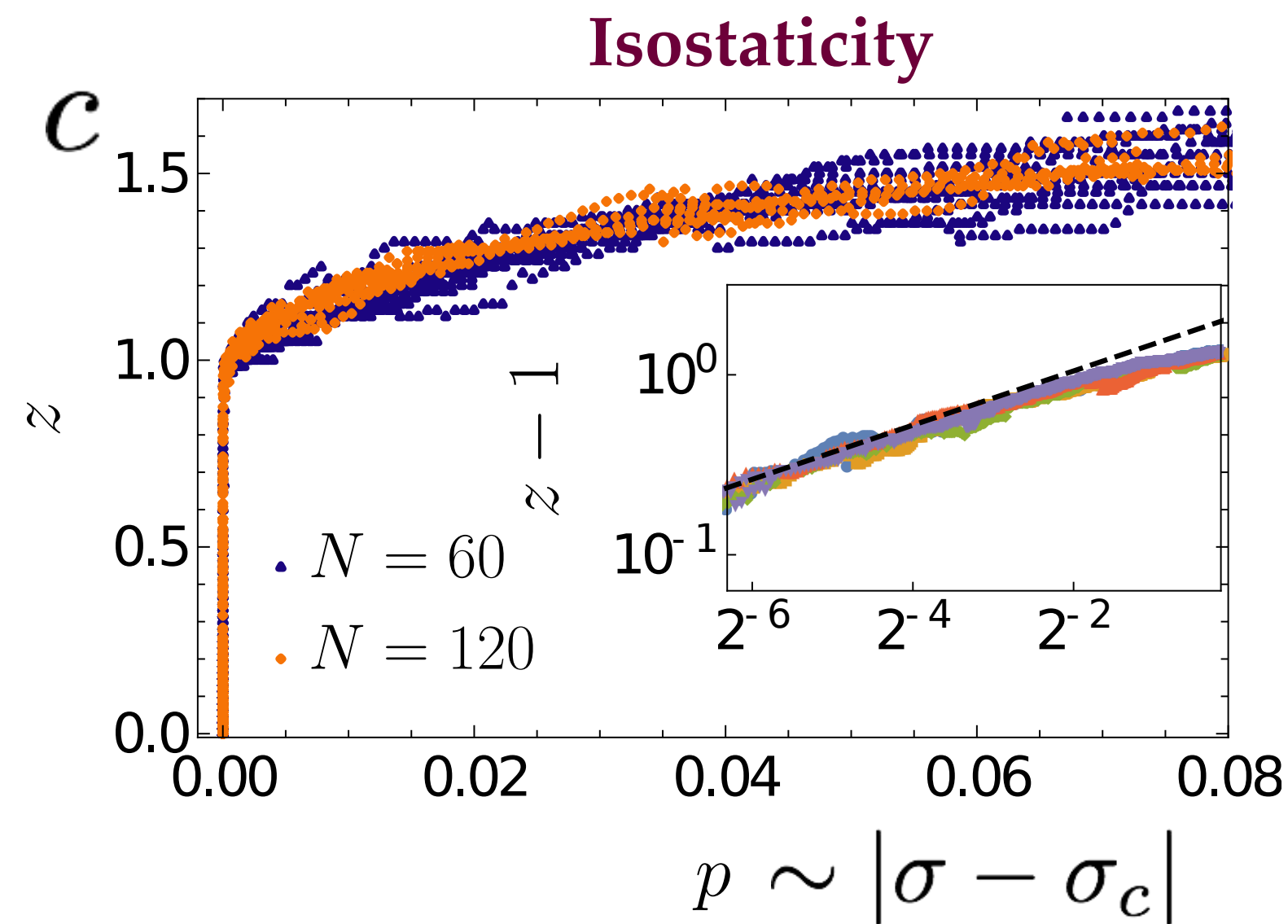


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# Results at critical jamming

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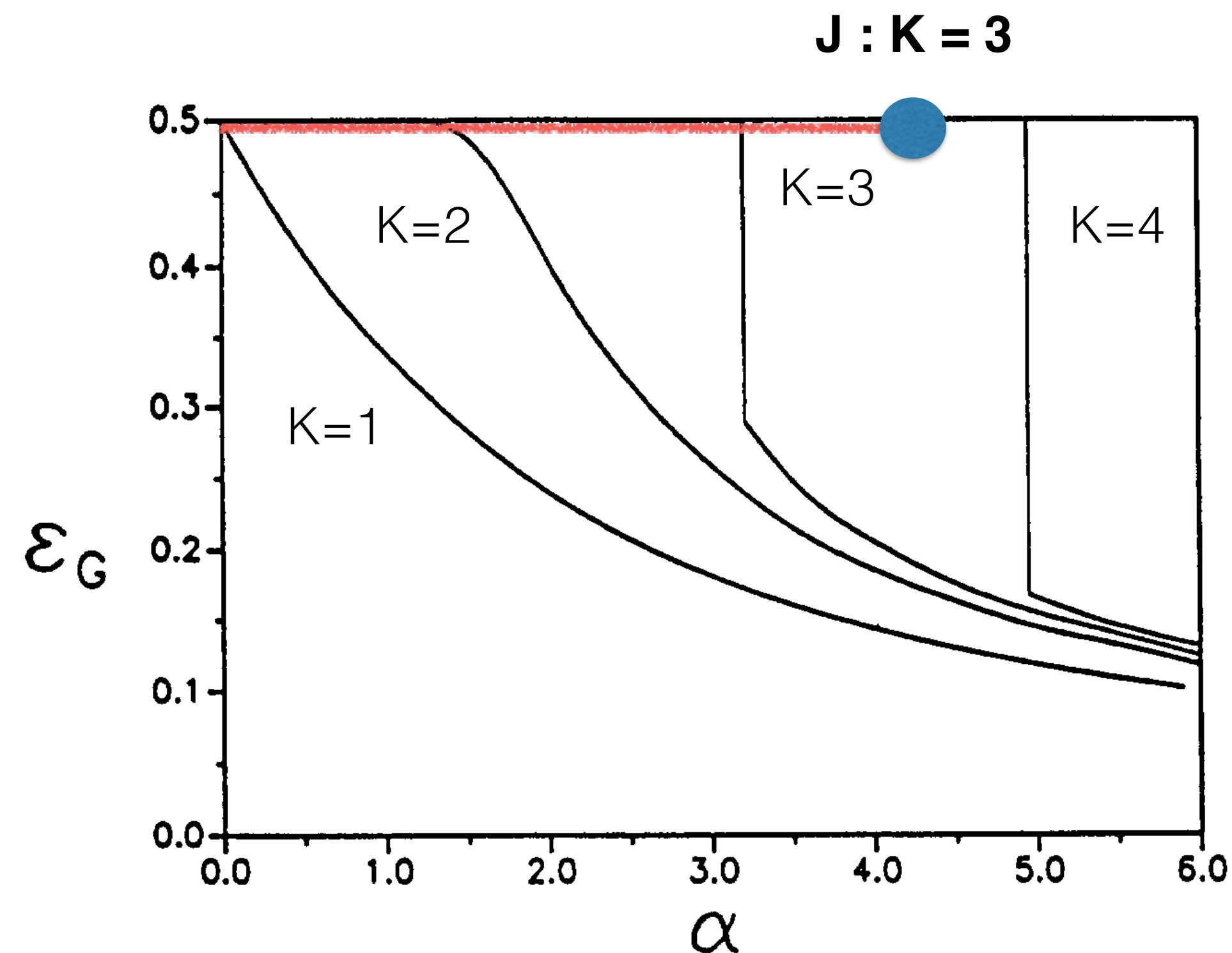
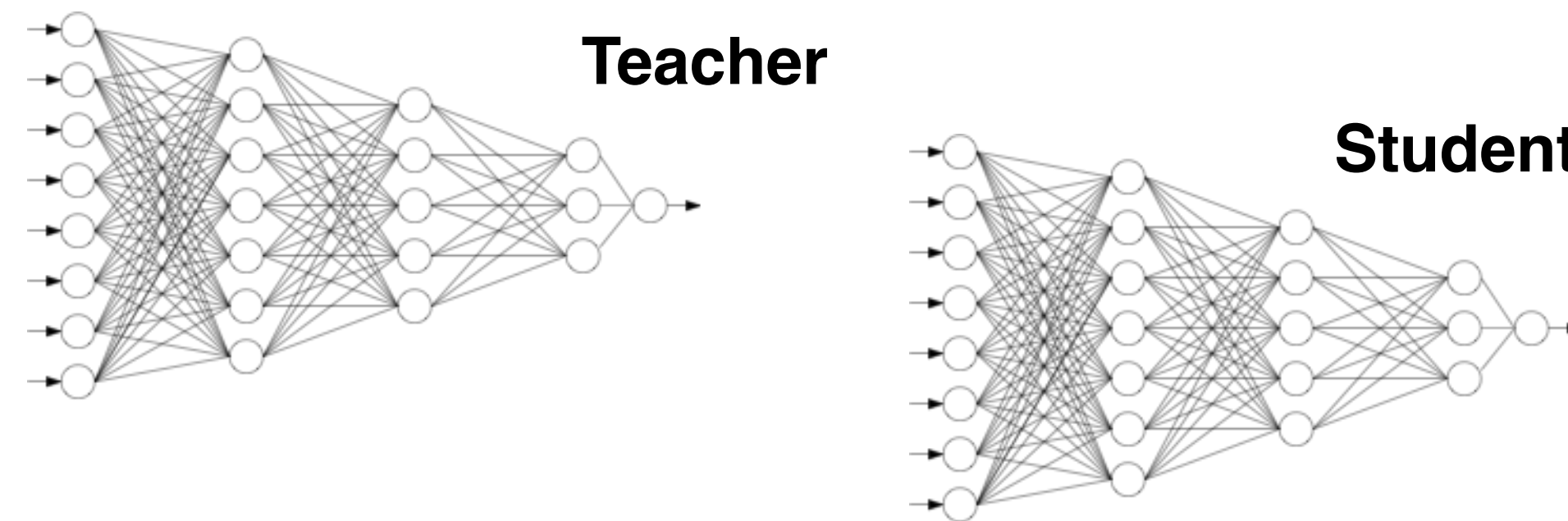
**The hard spheres universality class is recovered**

This happens even if the scaling equations that describe the jamming point are fullRSB equations in higher dimensions with respect to Perceptron.

**We proved that a *dimensional reduction* mechanism takes place.**

# Consequences for Generalisation

Structured Data

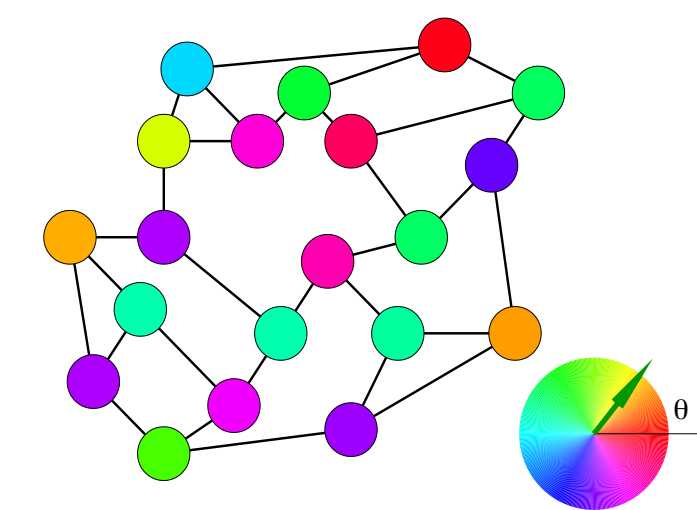
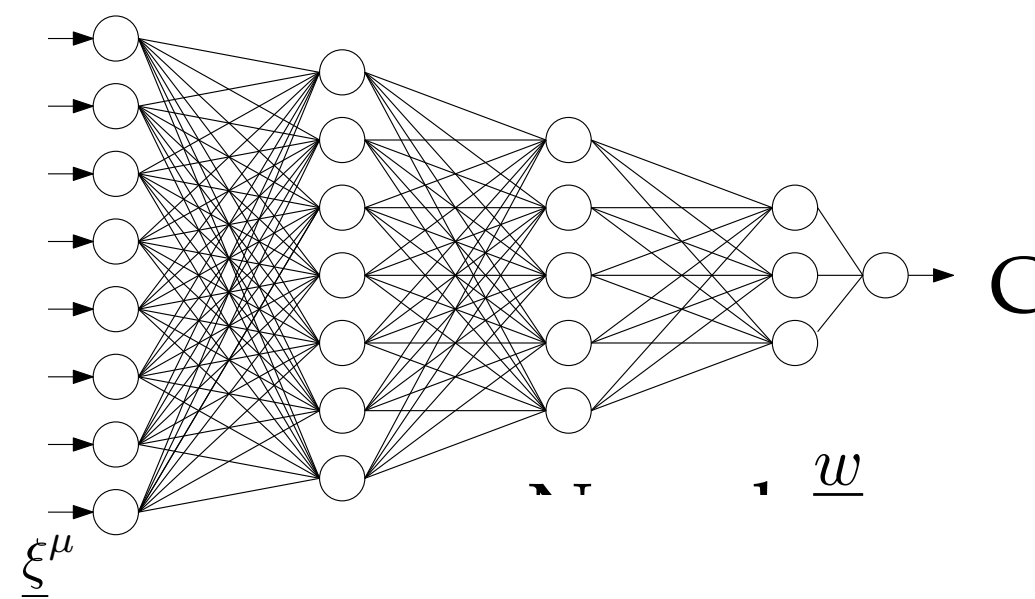
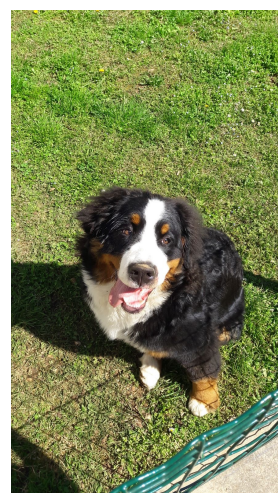
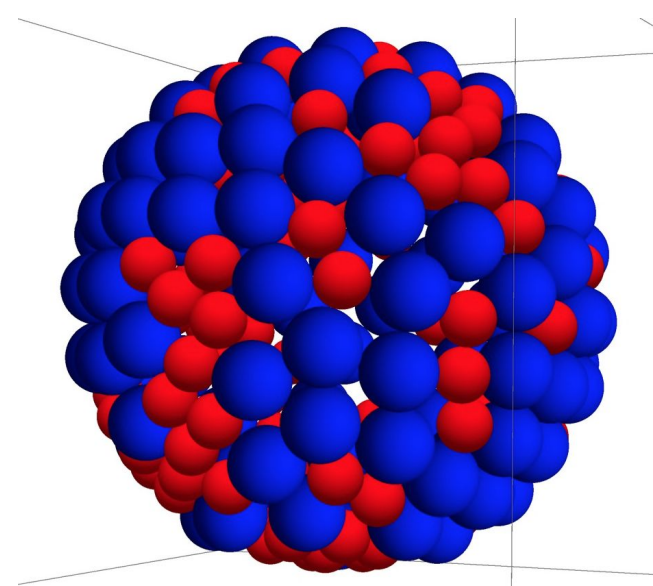


Finding the Teacher weights transition to crystal.  
Possible glassy phases  
No generalisation  
Confusion phase above  $J$

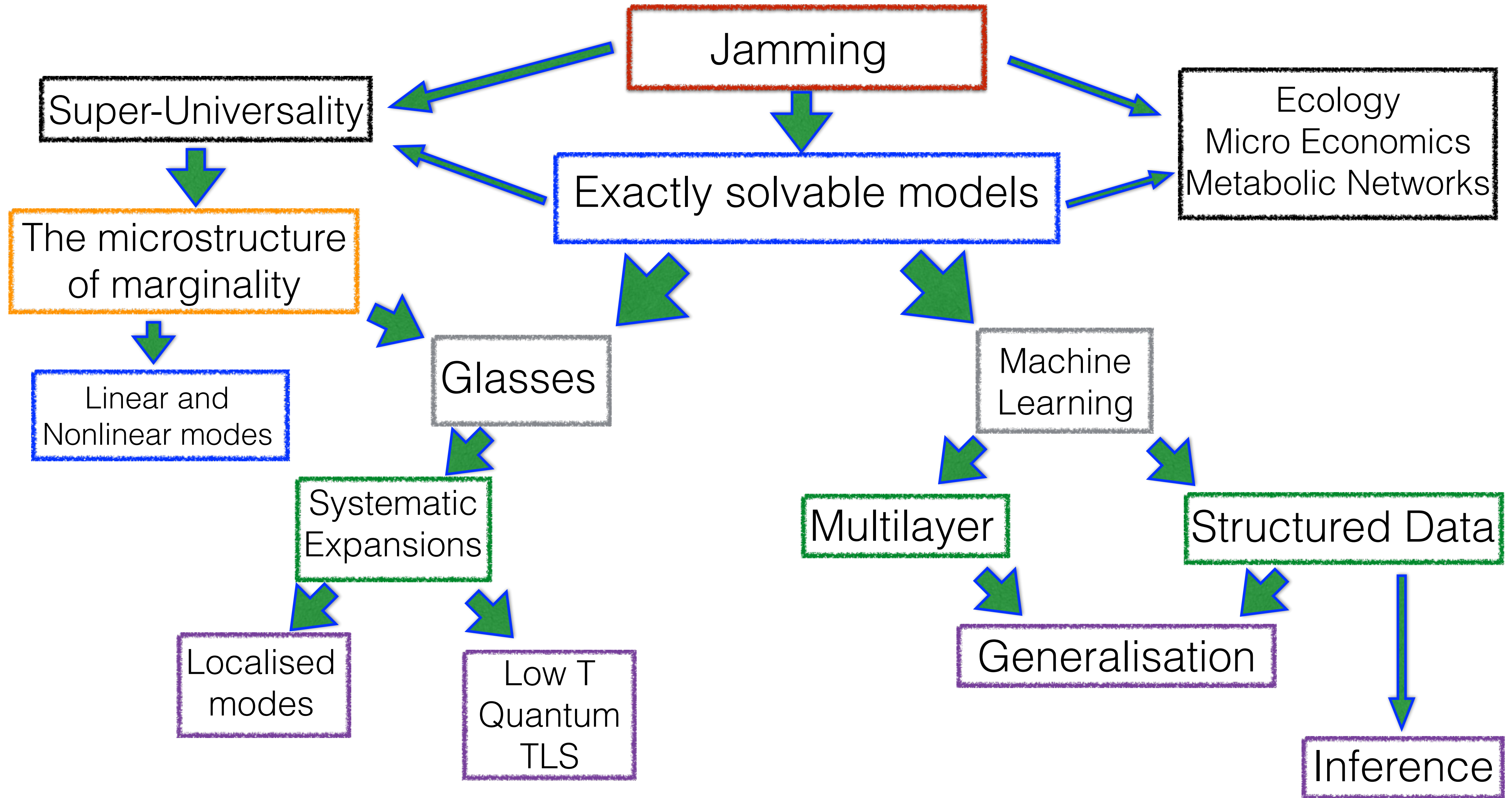
# Super-Universal Hypothesis

- Non-critical jamming in **convex problems** — ergodicity
- Unique universality class for Jamming criticality in random **non-convex** CSP isostatic points — **Jamming in a critical glass.**

**SF, Parisi 2015**





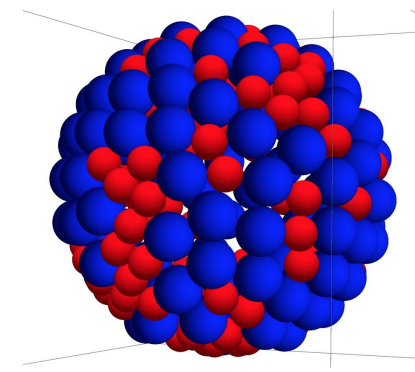




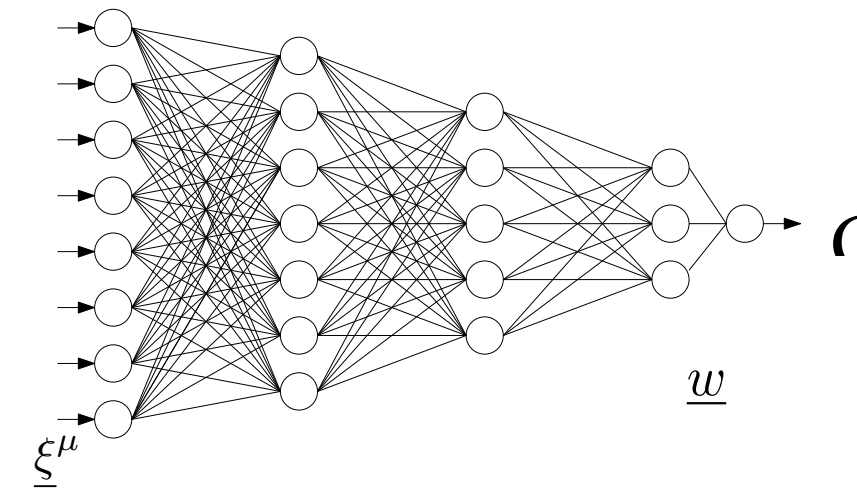
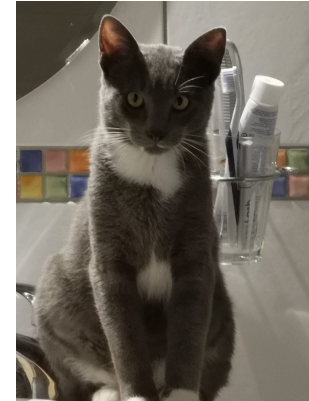
# Continuous CSP

- CSP with continuous variables

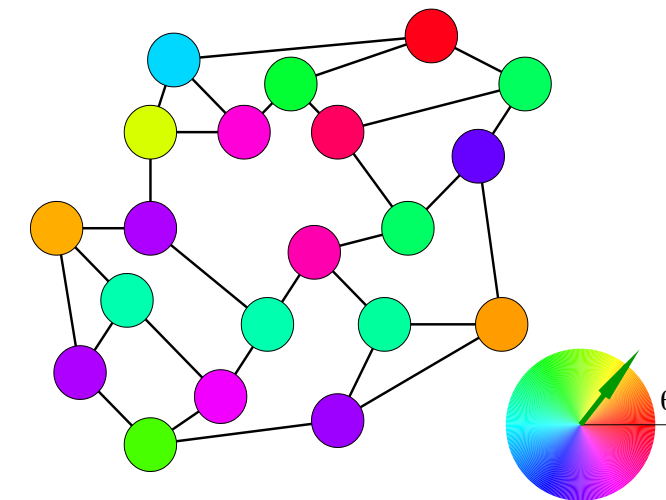
Sphere Packing  
pays + math



Supervised Learning  
artificial intelligence



Continuous Coloring (scheduling)  
compute science



Ecology  
Micro Economics  
Metabolic Networks

- The Space of Solutions is **continuous**, it shrinks to a point at the SAT-UNSAT threshold. **Scaling laws appear close to the Jamming Transition.**