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## Plan

Ising model ground states vs. lattice structures

Fully connected & solution highlights

$$H=0 \rightarrow E = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} s_i s_j$$

Ground states for  $J > 0$  (include  $J=1$ )

All spins aligned, degeneracy 2

→ lattice structure doesn't matter

Ordered (ferromagnetic) phase, of  $|m| = 1$

$J < 0$ : Aligned spins increase energy

Ground state maximizes pairs of opposing n.n. spins

→ All spins alternating if possible

Anti-ferromagnetic phase, degeneracy 2

$$m = \frac{n_+ - n_-}{n_+ + n_-} = 0 \quad \text{same as disordered phase}$$

but clear order

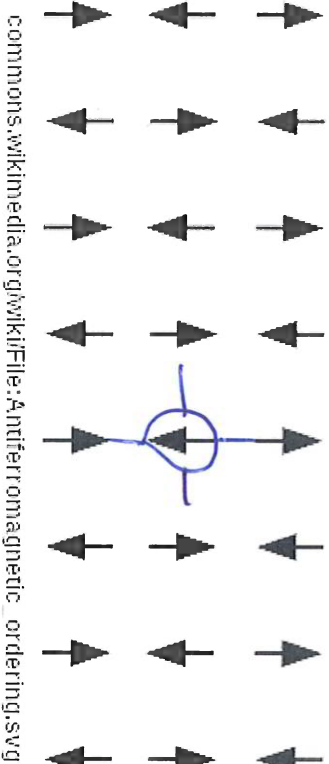
$$\text{op: } m_s = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n (-1)^n s_n \quad \text{"staggered magnetization"}$$

↙ even/odd lattice labels

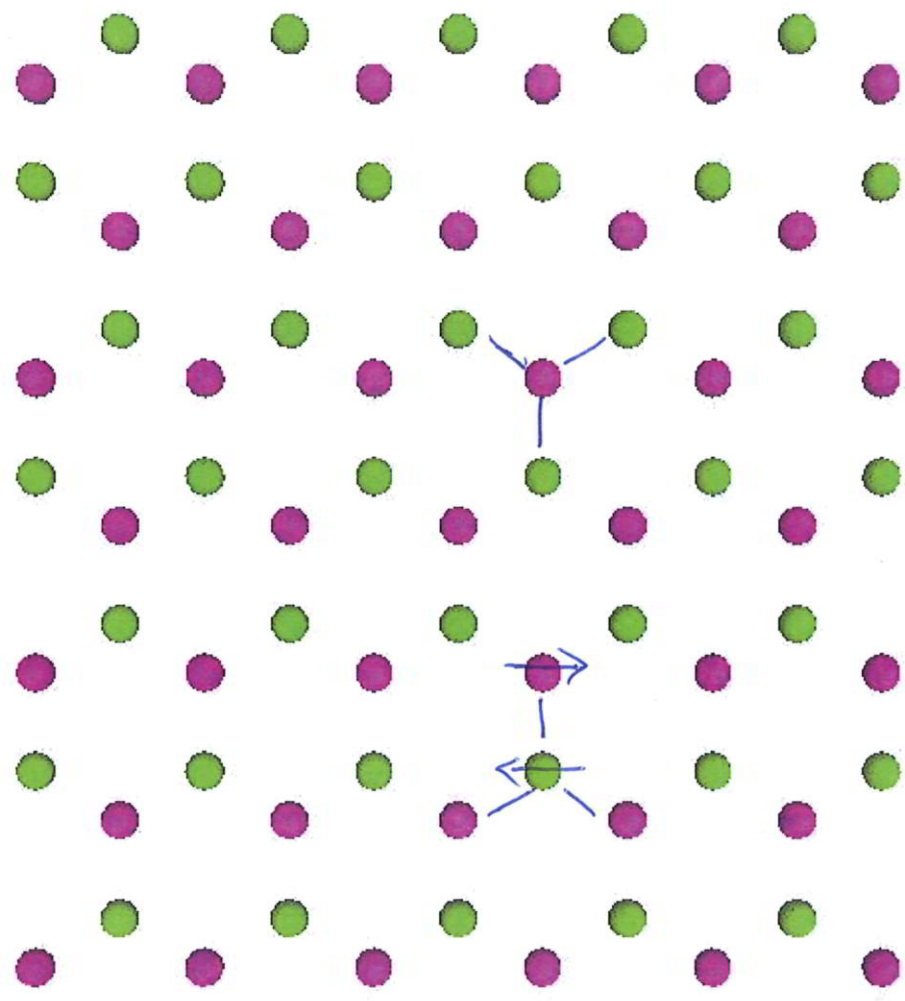
Ground state  $|m_s| = 1$  vs.  $m_s = 0$  in disordered phase

Relate to  $F = -T \log Z$  by adding "staggered mag. field"

$$E = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} s_i s_j - H_s \sum_n (-1)^n s_n$$



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$$\langle m_s \rangle \propto \frac{\partial}{\partial H_s} \log Z \quad \text{then set } H_s = 0$$

$J < 0$  triangular lattice can't have fully alternating spins  
"Geometrical frustration" because non-bipartite

Single unit cell  $\rightarrow$  6 degenerate configurations  
with  $E = -J(-2+1) = J < 0$

With  $N \gg 1$ , no order or order param.

Many degenerate lowest-energy  $w_i$   
 $\rightarrow S > 0$  even at absolute zero  $T$

More general frustration in "spin glasses"

$$E_{S_k} = - \sum_{j \neq k} J_{jk} s_j s_k$$

randomly  $J_{jk} = J_{kj}$  with positive and negative

Finding  $w_i$  with  $E_i \leq C$  is NP-complete

both NP and NP-hard  
(solves all NP)

Motivates quantum computing

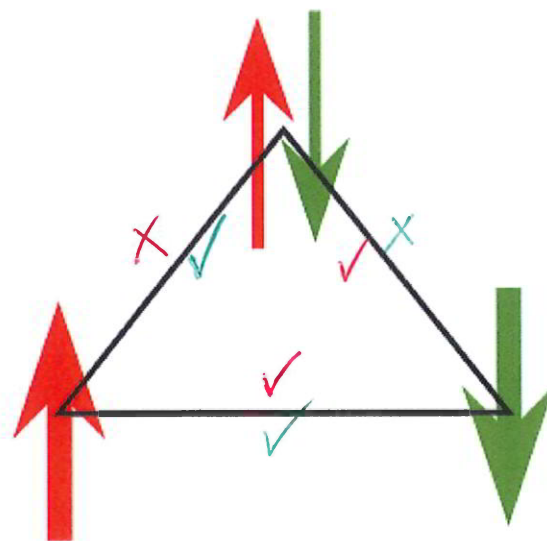
Spin glasses a.k.a. neural networks

Gaussian  $J_{jk} \rightarrow$  Sherrington-Kirkpatrick model

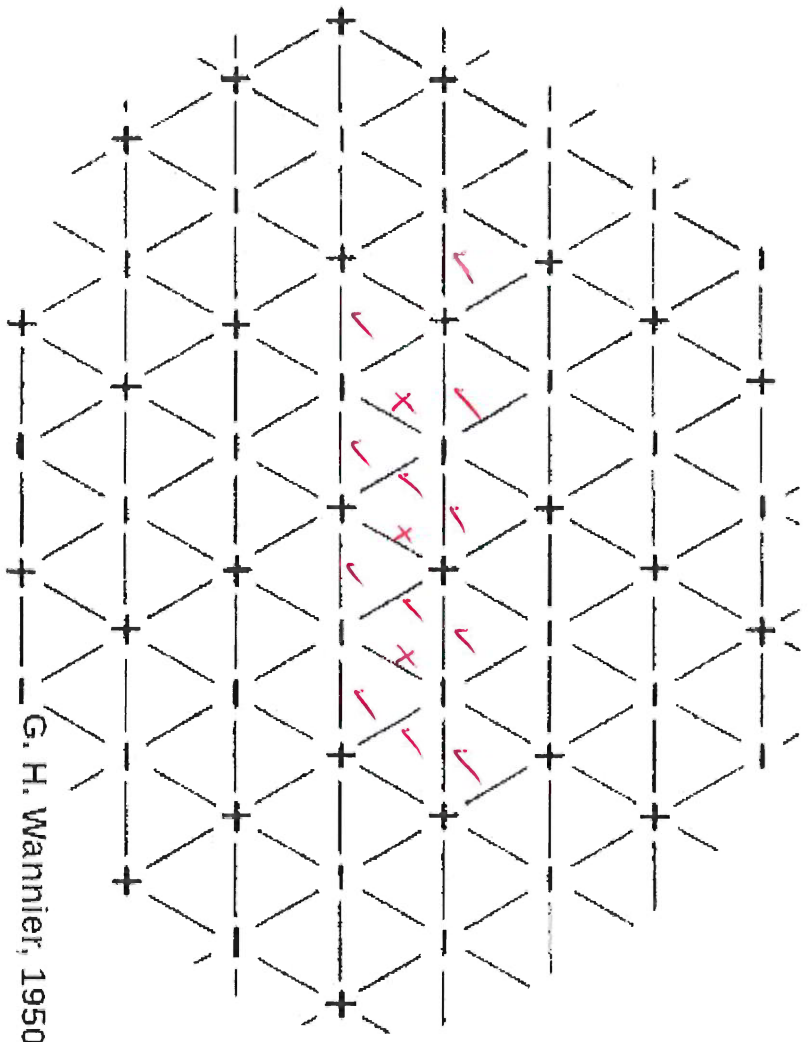
(solved by Parisi, 2021 Nobel)

special case of Hopfield network (2024 Nobel)  
(recurrent neural network)

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G. H. Wannier, 1950

Add site-dependent background field

$$E_{BM} = - \sum_{j \neq k} J_{jk} s_j s_k - \sum_n H_n s_n$$

"Boltzmann machine" (Hinton 2024 Nobel)

"restricted" into layers for efficiency

→ "deep learning"