

CONDENSED MATTER THEORY SEMINAR

Subject: **SOLVING SPIN SYSTEMS: THE BABYLONIAN WAY**

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Venue: **Room 01.114 and online:**

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We show that spin systems with generic (ferro- or paramagnetic, or random) interactions are "completely integrable". The approach is worked out, by way of example, for the Sherrington-Kirkpatrick model: we derive an exact formula for the quenched free energy in finite volume which involves an integral over a Gaussian field with correlation structure given by the interaction matrix (with a twist). The procedure is rigorous yet astonishingly reminiscent of the mathematically ill-defined *replica trick*, which we also recall.