# Strong Topological Trivialization for Multi-Species Spin Glasses 

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## Plan for this talk

(1) Introduction and background

- Landscape complexity of random functions
- Topological trivialization
(2) Strong topological trivialization for spin glasses
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- (Sagun-Guney-Ben Arous-LeCun 14) neural networks
- (Ben Arous-Mei-Montanari-Nica 19) spiked tensor models
- (Ben Arous-Fyodorov-Khoruzhenko 21, Subag 23) non-gradient vector fields
- (Ben Arous-Bourgarde-McKenna 23) elastic manifold


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