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Cambridge, MA 02139. Phase Transitions in a random NK landscape Model and a random 3-SAT problem.

We analyze the satisfiability problem of a certain random 3-SAT problem in which the appearances of 3-clauses are not independent. The random model is reduced directly from the solubility problem of a random NK landscape model with K=3. Proposed by Kauffman, the NK model is one of the most notable mathematical models to study the evolution on a fitness landscape, where a fitness landscape is a function that maps each genetic composition (genotype) to the fitness of the expression (phenotype) of the genetic composition in an environment. In the course of the analysis, we introduce a generalized random 2-SAT formula and show its phase transition phenomenon. (Received February 08, 2005)