

# Aging phenomena in magnetic systems

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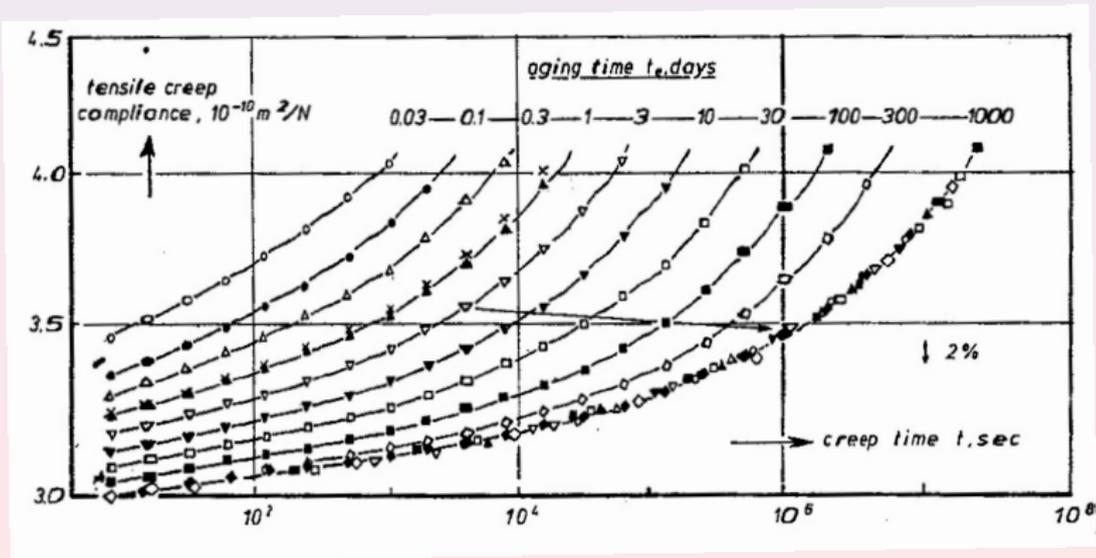
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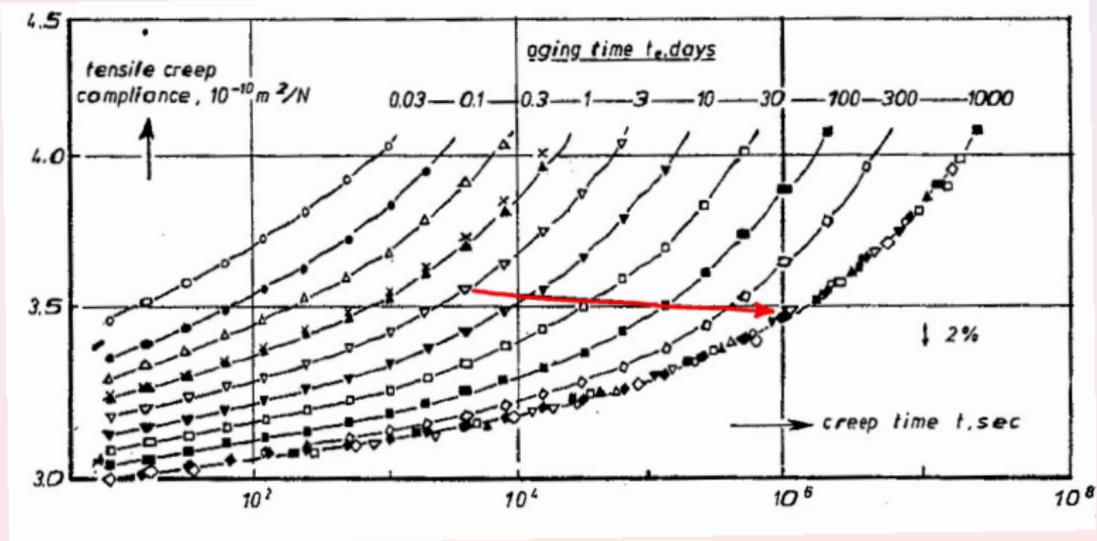
- 1 Introduction to aging phenomena
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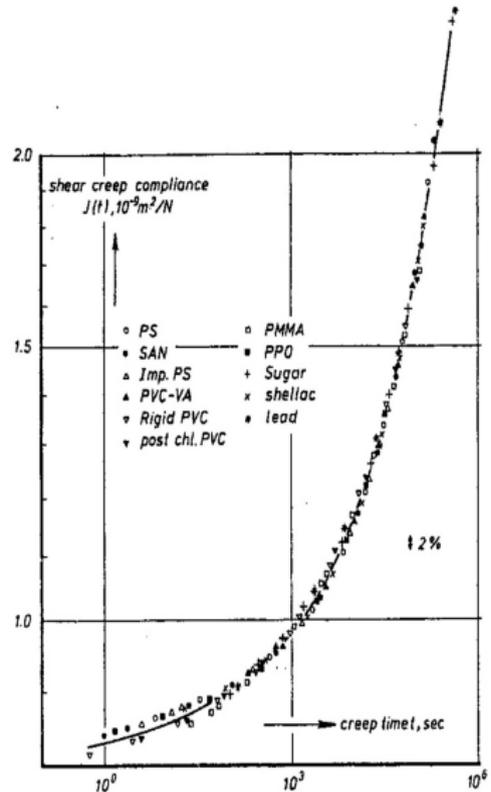
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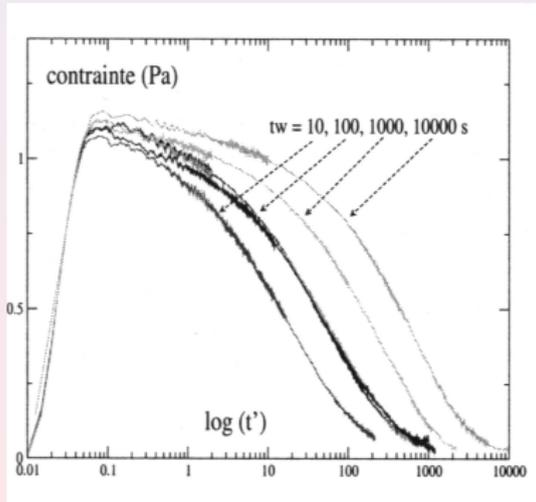


evidence for **universal** behavior

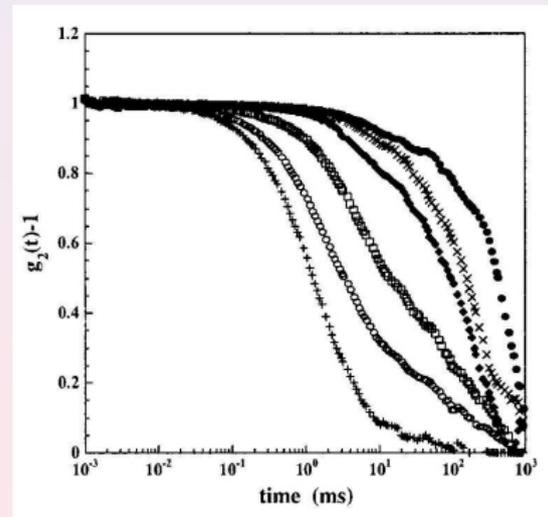
same universal curve for  
 very different materials!



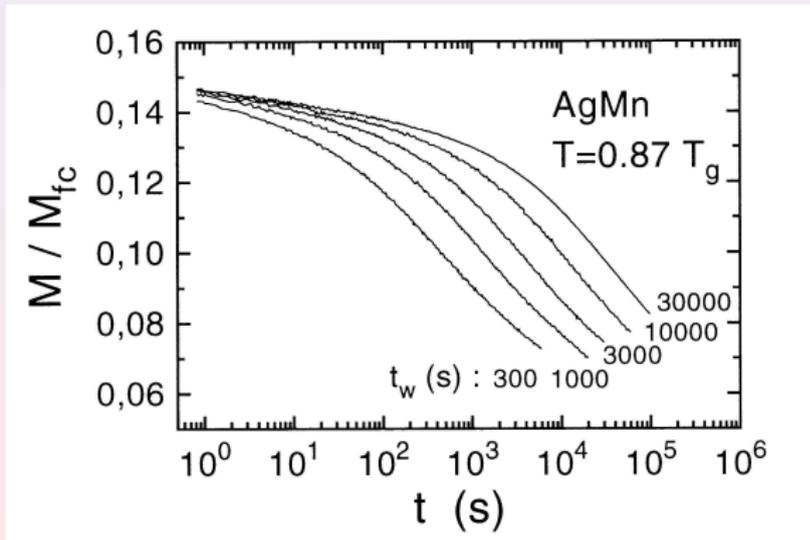
**Colloids:** relaxation after mechanical stress (Derec '95)



**Colloids:** two-time correlators (Bonn et al. '04)



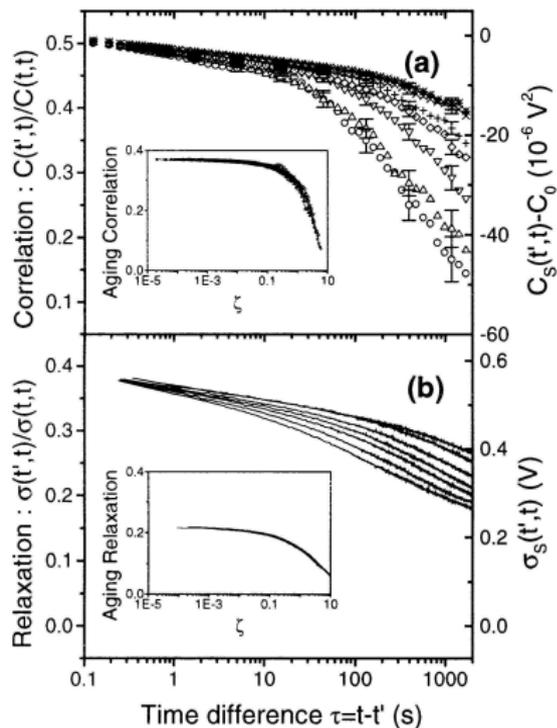
## Spin glasses: thermoremanent magnetization (Vincent et al. '95)



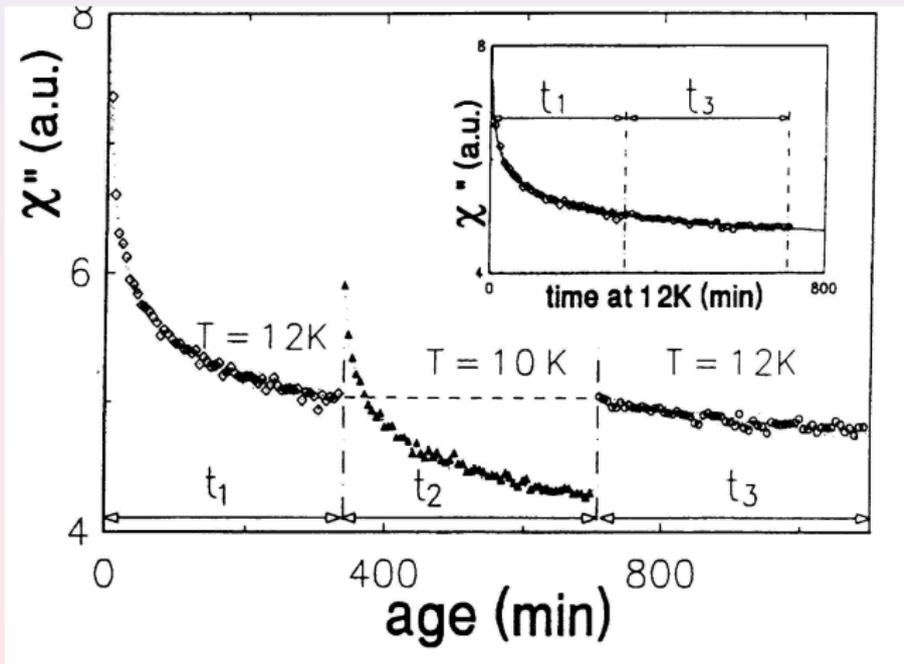
The answer of the system is slower for 'older' systems

$\text{CdCr}_{1.7}\text{In}_{0.3}\text{S}_4$   
(Hérisson/Ocio '02)

dynamical scaling!

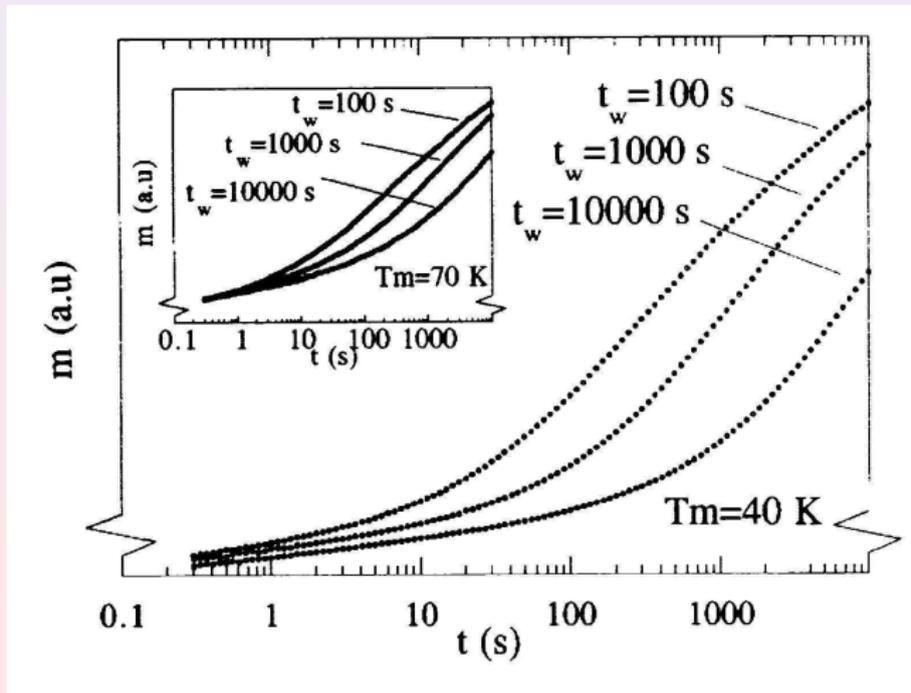


## Memory effects (Lefloch et al. '92)



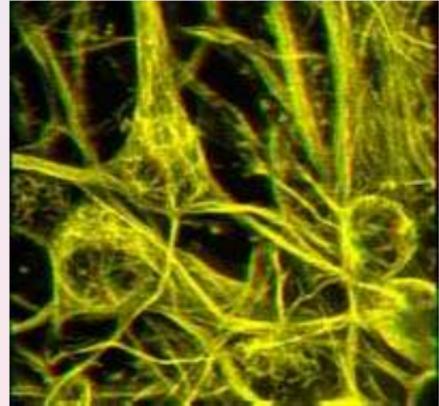
## Diluted ferromagnets

$\text{Fe}_{0.20}\text{Ni}_{0.80})_{75}\text{P}_{16}\text{B}_6\text{Al}_3$  (Jonason et al. '96)



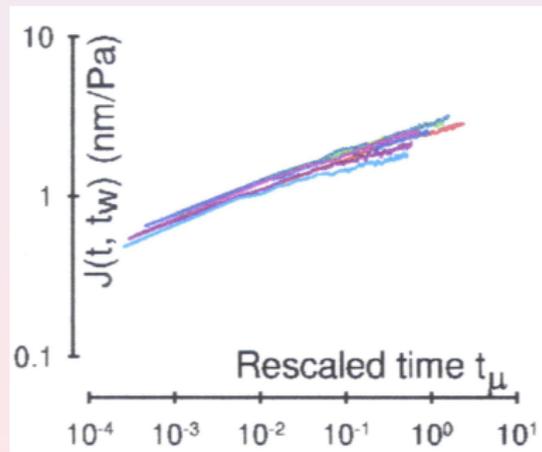
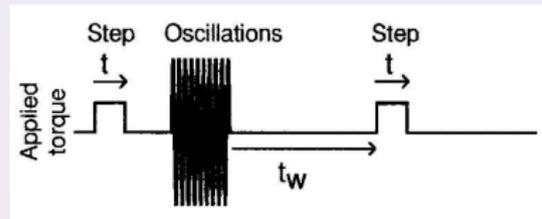
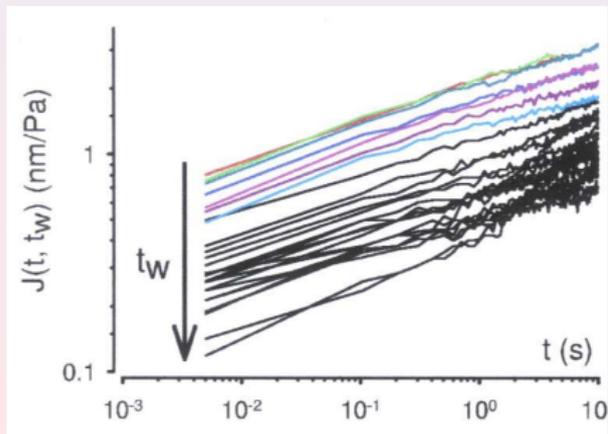
Bursac et al. '05: Aging phenomena are encountered in living cells

Cytoskeleton:  
crowded nonequilibrium  
network of structural proteins



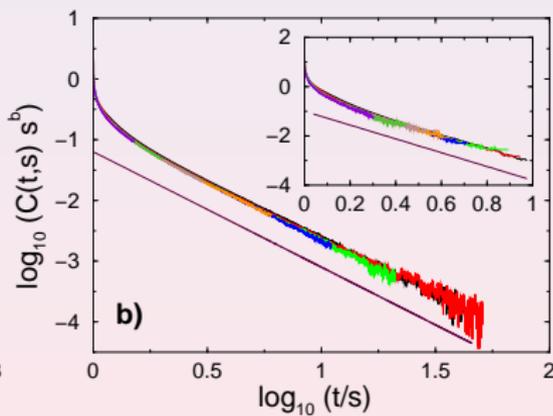
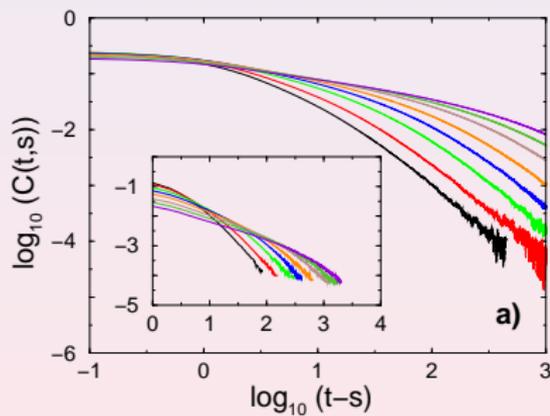
cytoskeleton stabilizes cell shape and drives cell motion

integrated response function



$$t_\mu = t/t_w^\mu \text{ with } \mu = 0.4$$

critical contact process:  $A \xrightarrow{p} 0$ ,  $A + 0 \xrightarrow{1-p} A + A$



# Aging

Defining characteristics and symmetry properties of **aging**:

- slow dynamics (i.e. non-exponential relaxation)
- breaking of time-translation invariance
- dynamical scaling

Questions:

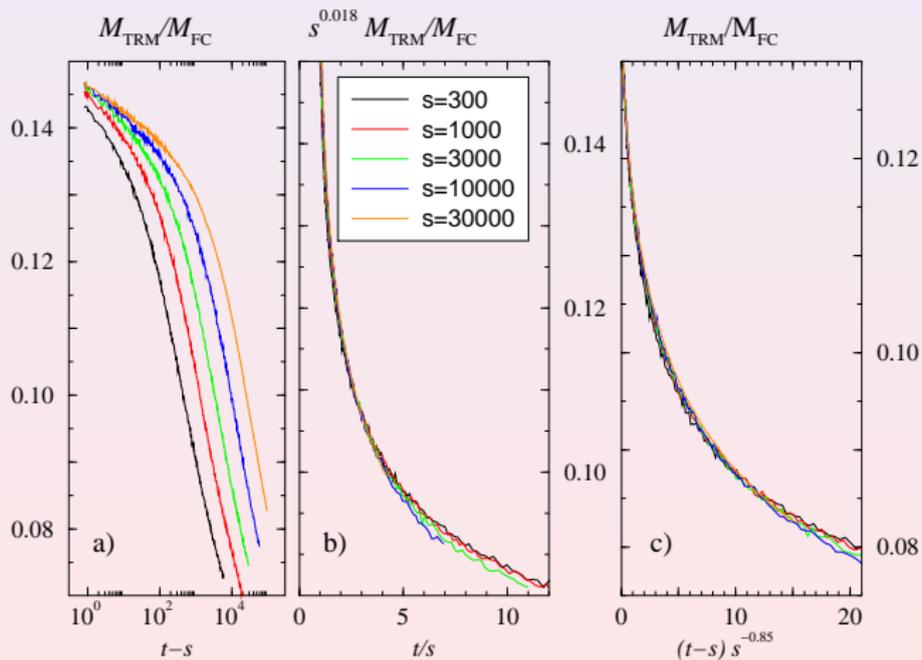
- why do materials 'look old' after some time?
- what (reversible) microscopic processes lead to such macroscopic behavior?

For better conceptual understanding:

**study aging first in simpler systems**

# Aging in the spin glass $\text{Ag}_{0.933}\text{Mn}_{0.027}$

(Data courtesy M. Ocio, J. Hammann and E. Vincent)



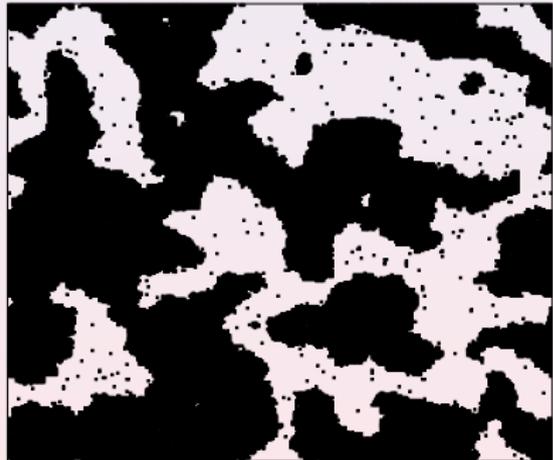
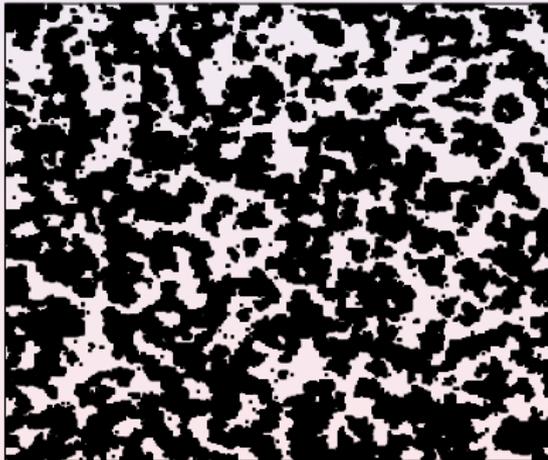
## Measured values of the subaging exponent in some spin glasses

Material	$\mu$	quantity
$\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{TiO}_3$	0.84 $\sim 1$	$M_{\text{TRM}}$ frequency-dependent susceptibility $\chi(t, \omega)$
$\text{CdCr}_{1.7}\text{In}_{0.3}\text{S}_4$	0.87 0.87 $\sim 1$	$M_{\text{TRM}}$ autocorrelator frequency-dependent susceptibility $\chi(t, \omega)$
$\text{Au}_{0.92}\text{Fe}_{0.08}$	0.91	$M_{\text{TRM}}$
$\text{Ag}_{0.933}\text{Mn}_{0.027}$	0.97	$M_{\text{TRM}}$
$\text{Cu}_{0.94}\text{Mn}_{0.06}$	0.999	$M_{\text{TRM}}$
$\text{SrCr}_{8.6}\text{Ga}_{3.4}\text{O}_{19}$	0.85	$M_{\text{TRM}}$

Measured values of the subaging exponent in some soft matter systems

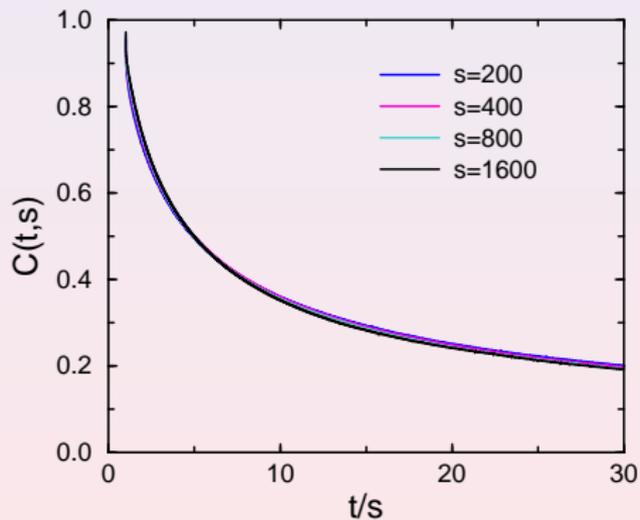
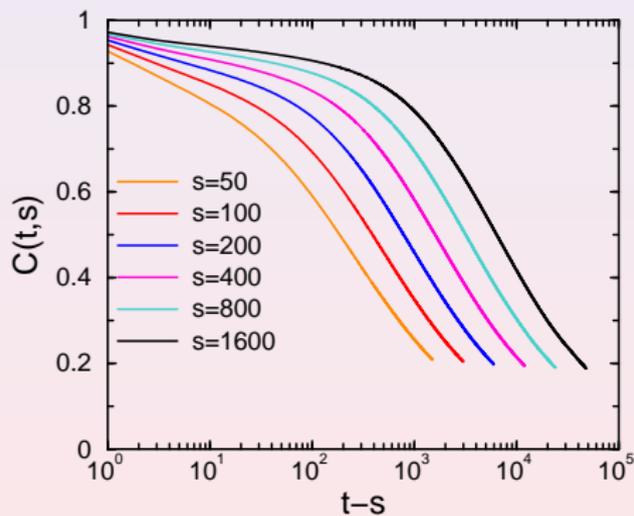
Material	$\mu$	quantity
cytoskeleton (human airway smooth muscle)	0.32	compliance
cytoskeleton (human muscle cell)	0.4	compliance
colloidal glass (PMMA)	0.48(1)	autocorrelator
	0.48(1)	ZFC-response
polyelectrolyte microgel	$\sim 0.8$	compliance
multilamellar vesicles	0.78(9)	compliance
	0.77(4)	intensity autocorrelation

## phase ordering

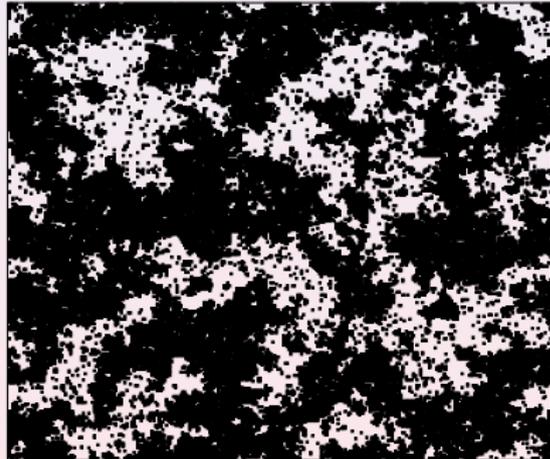
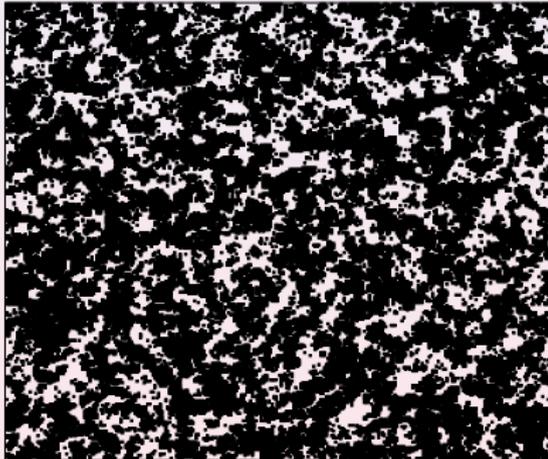


equilibrium is never reached in the infinite system

aging in the  $d = 2$  Ising model quenched below  $T_c$

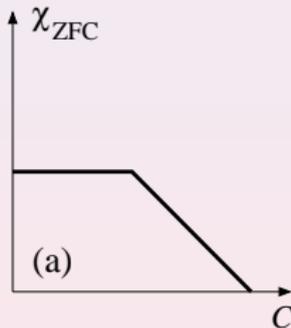


## critical dynamics

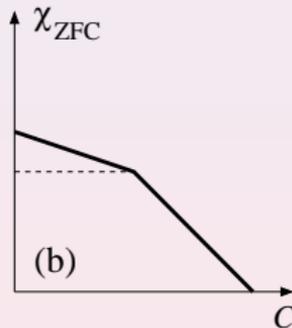


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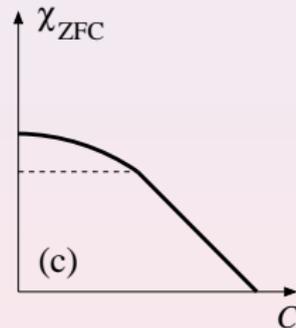
## fluctuation-dissipation ratio



phase ordering

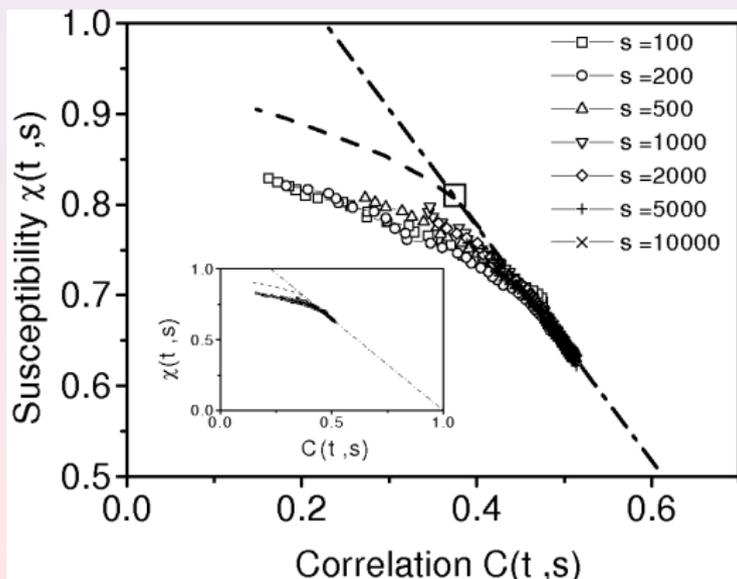


critical system



spin glass

experiment on the breaking of the fluctuation-dissipation theorem:  
spin glass  $\text{CdCr}_{1.7}\text{In}_{0.3}\text{S}_4$



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Monday, July 20, 10:45 am