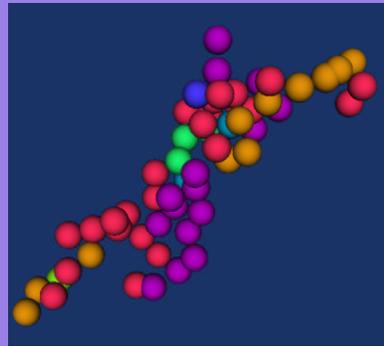


Computer Simulation of Glasses: Jumps and Self-Organized Criticality

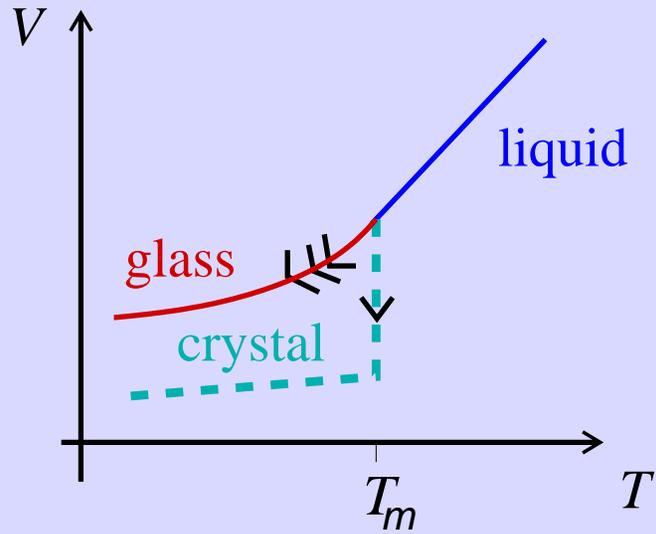
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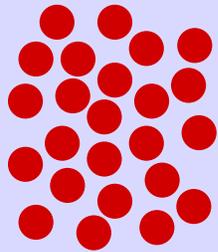
Glass:

→ system falls out of equilibrium

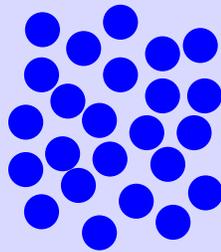
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Glass

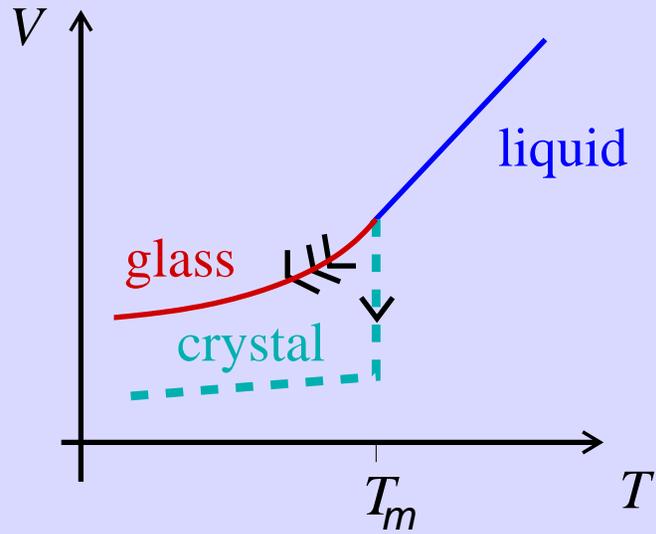


Liquid



Structure: disordered

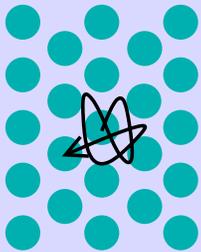
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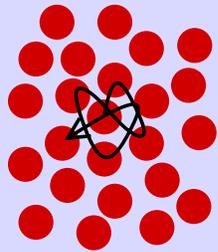
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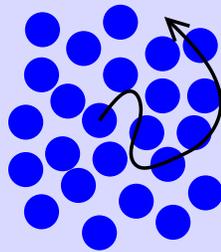
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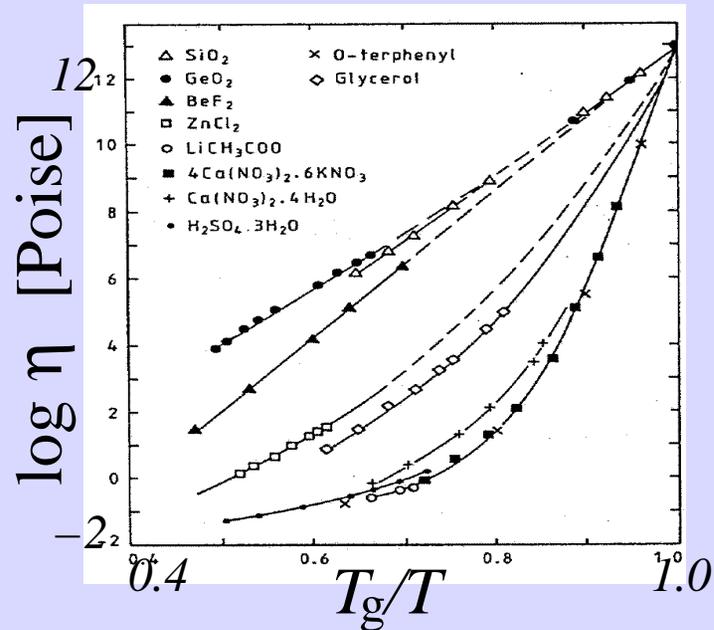


Liquid



Structure: disordered
Dynamics: frozen in

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[C.A. Angell and W. Sichina, Ann. NY Acad.Sci. 279, 53 (1976)]

Dynamics:

→ slowing down
of many decades

Model

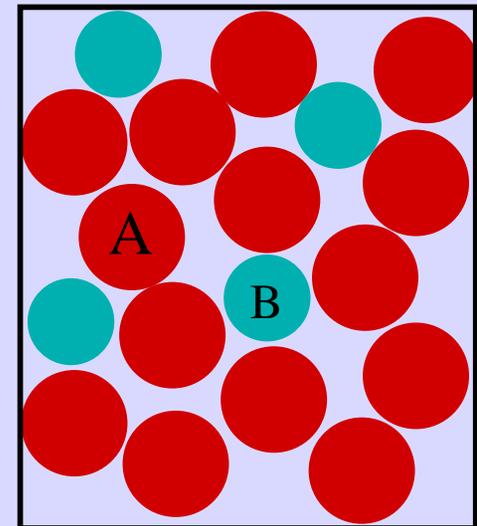
Binary Lennard-Jones System

$$V_{\alpha\beta}(r) = 4 \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \left(\left(\frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{r} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta}}{r} \right)^6 \right)$$

$$\sigma_{AA} = 1.0 \quad \sigma_{AB} = 0.8 \quad \sigma_{BB} = 0.88$$

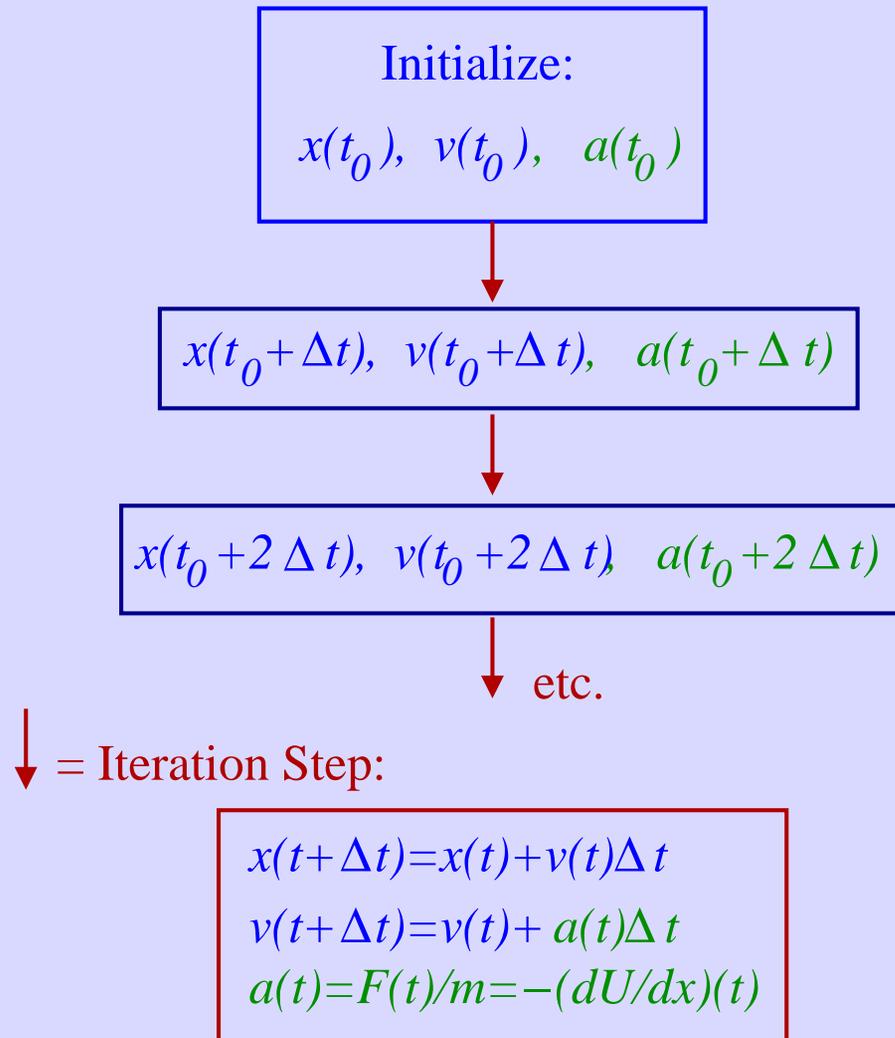
$$\epsilon_{AA} = 1.0 \quad \epsilon_{AB} = 1.5 \quad \epsilon_{BB} = 0.5$$

[W. Kob and H.C. Andersen, PRL 73, 1376 (1994)]

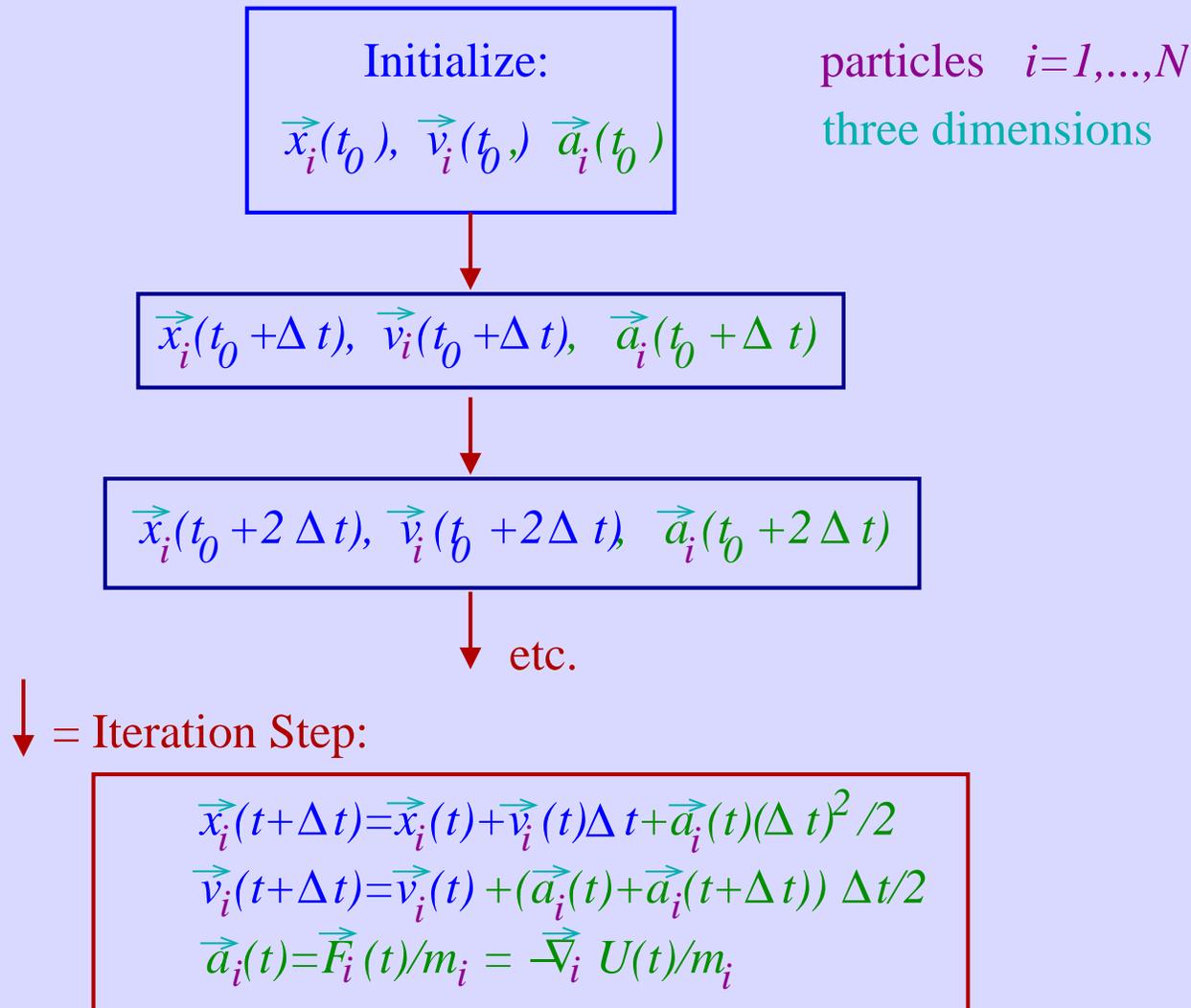


800 A and 200 B

Numerical Solution: Euler Step



Molecular Dynamics Simulation

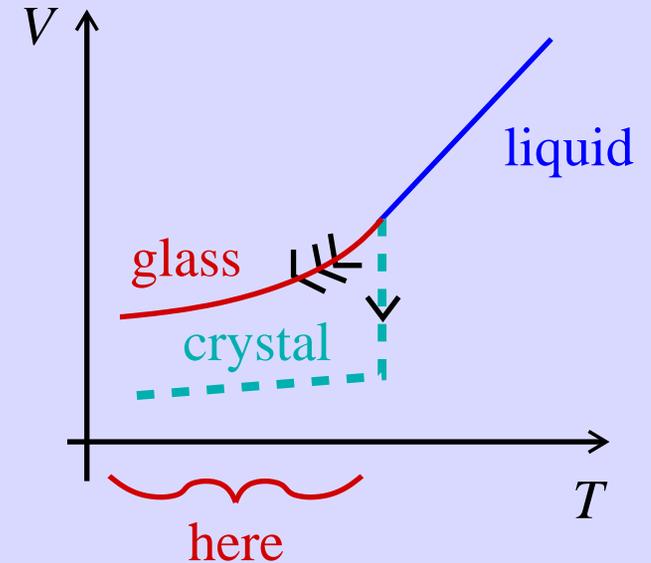


Simulations

Dynamics

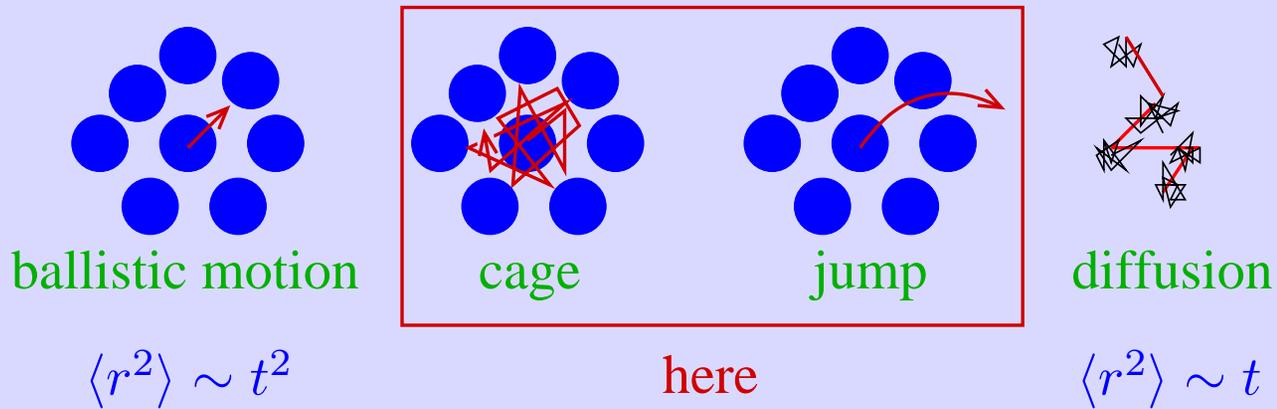
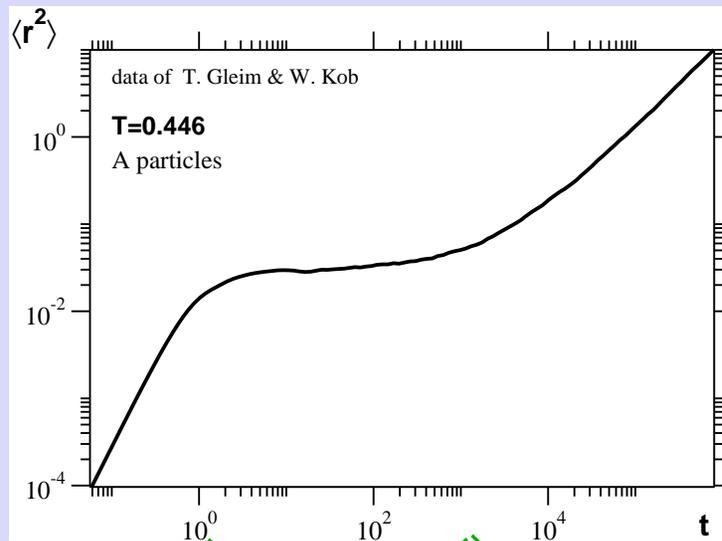
below glass transition:

$$T = 0.15 - 0.43 \quad T_c = 0.435$$

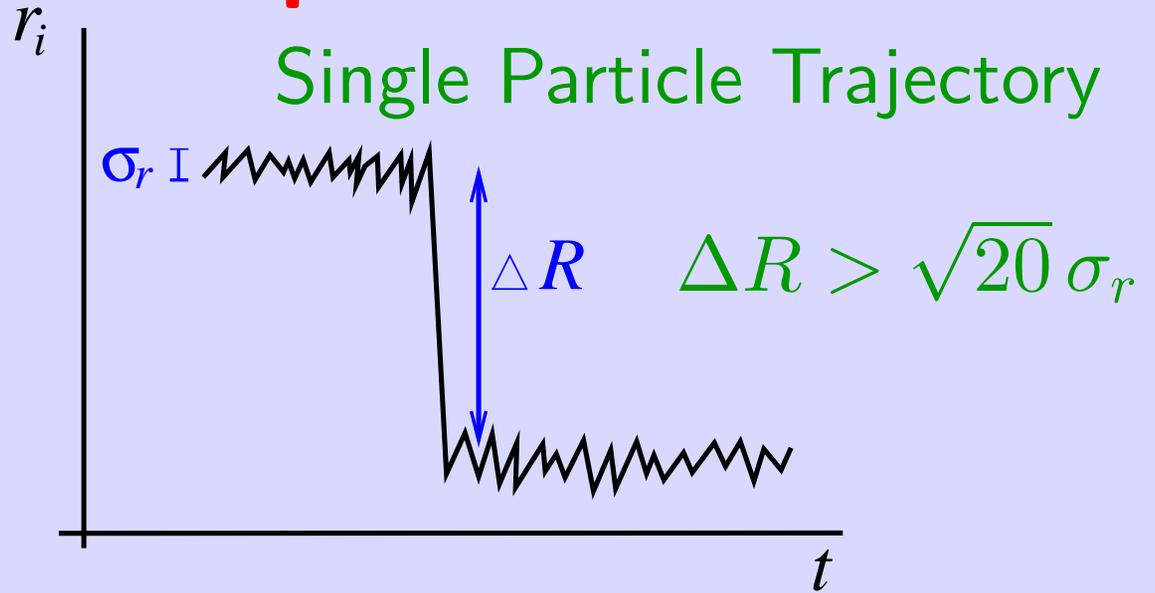
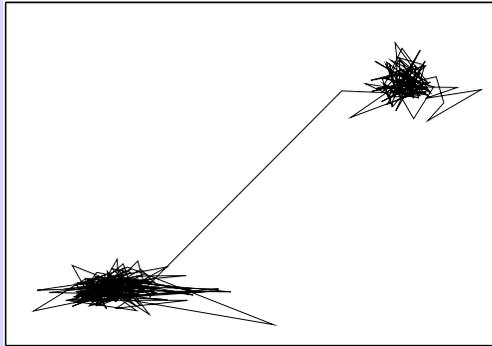


Cage-Picture

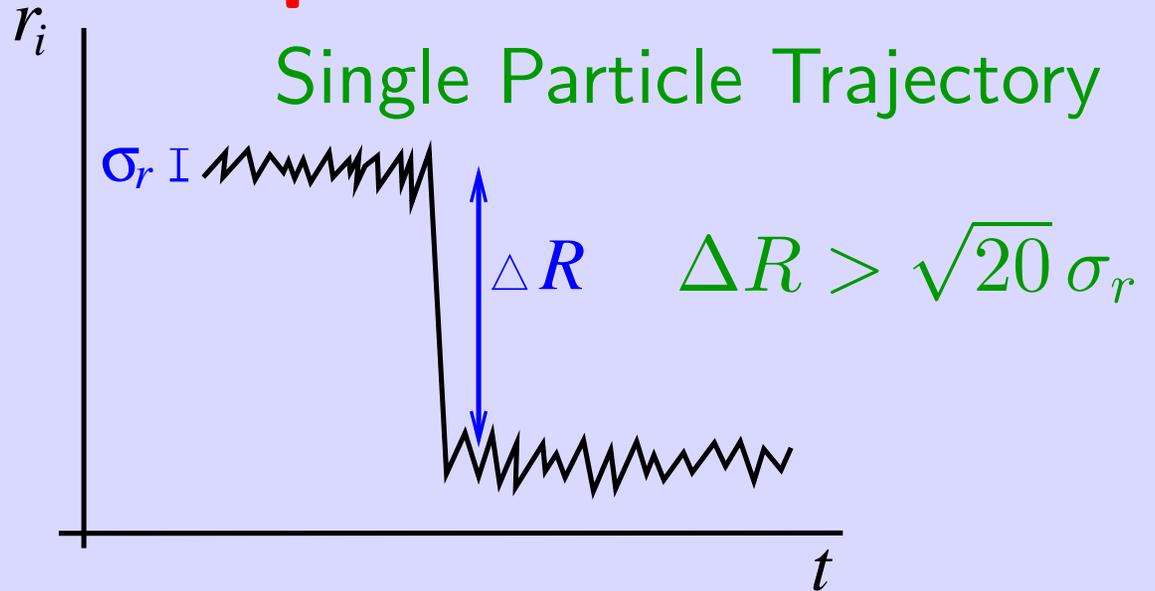
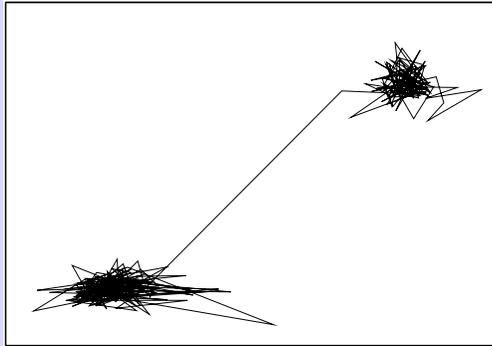
Mean-Squared Displacement: $\langle r^2 \rangle(t) = \left\langle \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\underline{r}_i(t) - \underline{r}_i(0))^2 \right\rangle$



Definition: Jump Occurrence



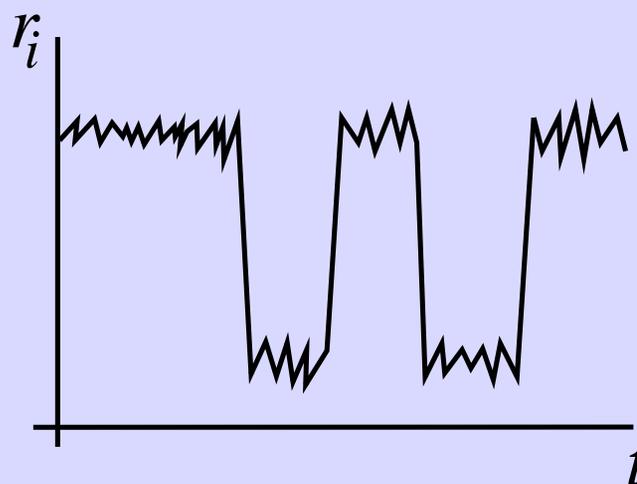
Definition: Jump Occurrence



Definition: Jump Type

Irreversible Jump

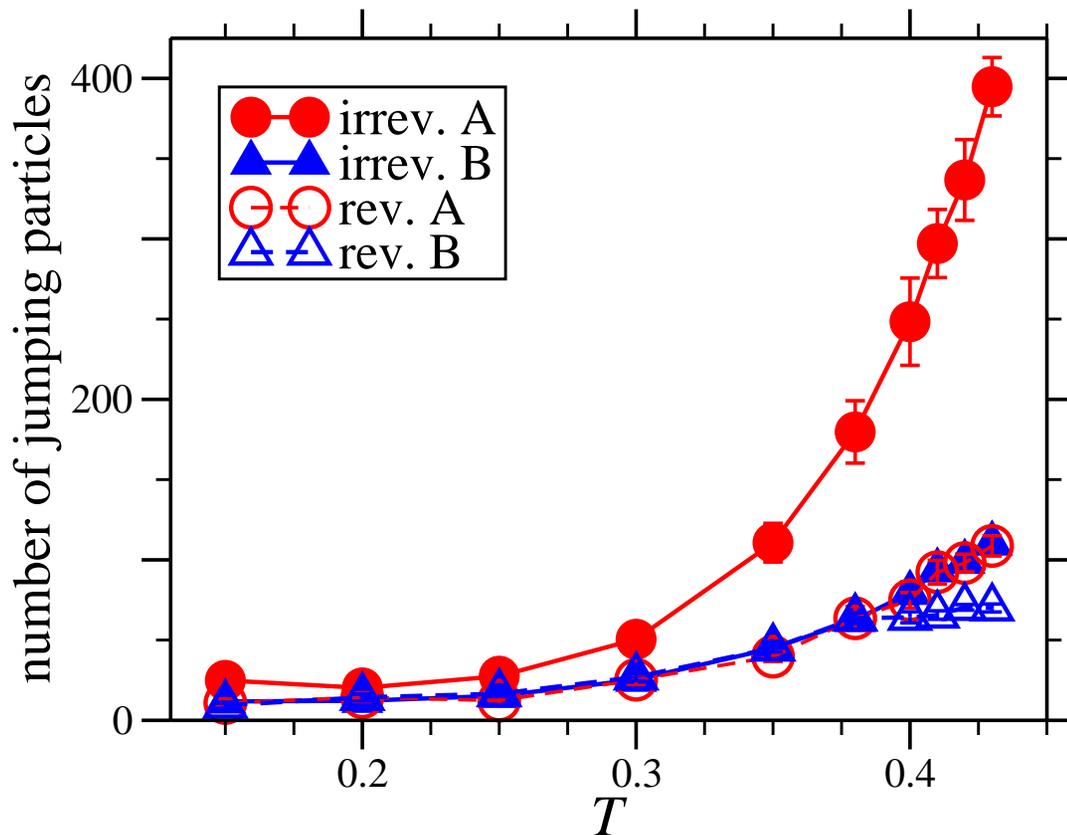
Reversible Jump



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Number of Jumping Particles



⇒ increasing with increasing T

⇒ both A & B particles jump

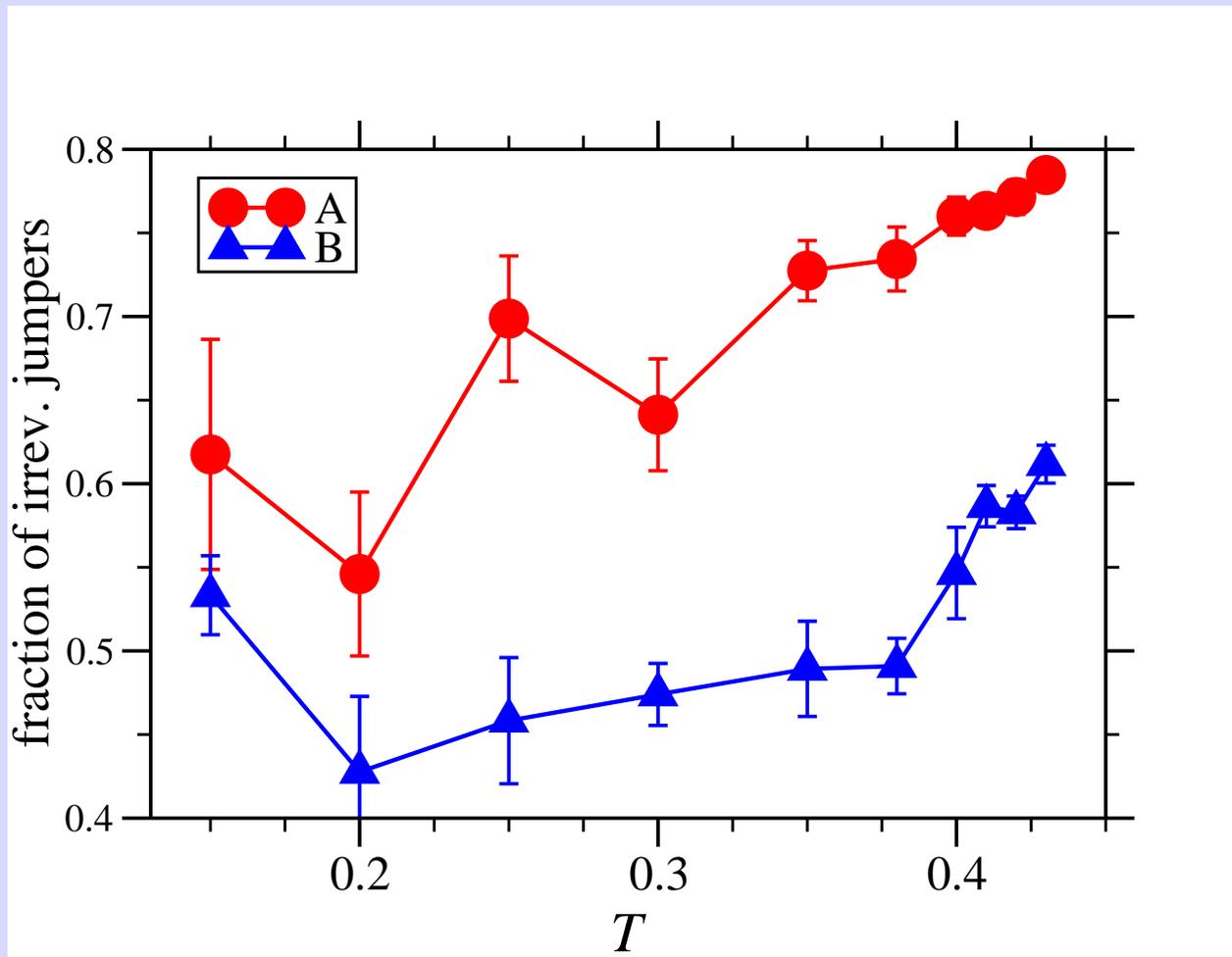
⇒ irrev. & reversible jumps at all temperatures T

Fraction of Irreversibly Jumping Particles

$$\text{fraction of irrev. jumpers} = \frac{\text{number of irrev. jump. part.}}{\text{number of jump. part.}}$$

Fraction of Irreversibly Jumping Particles

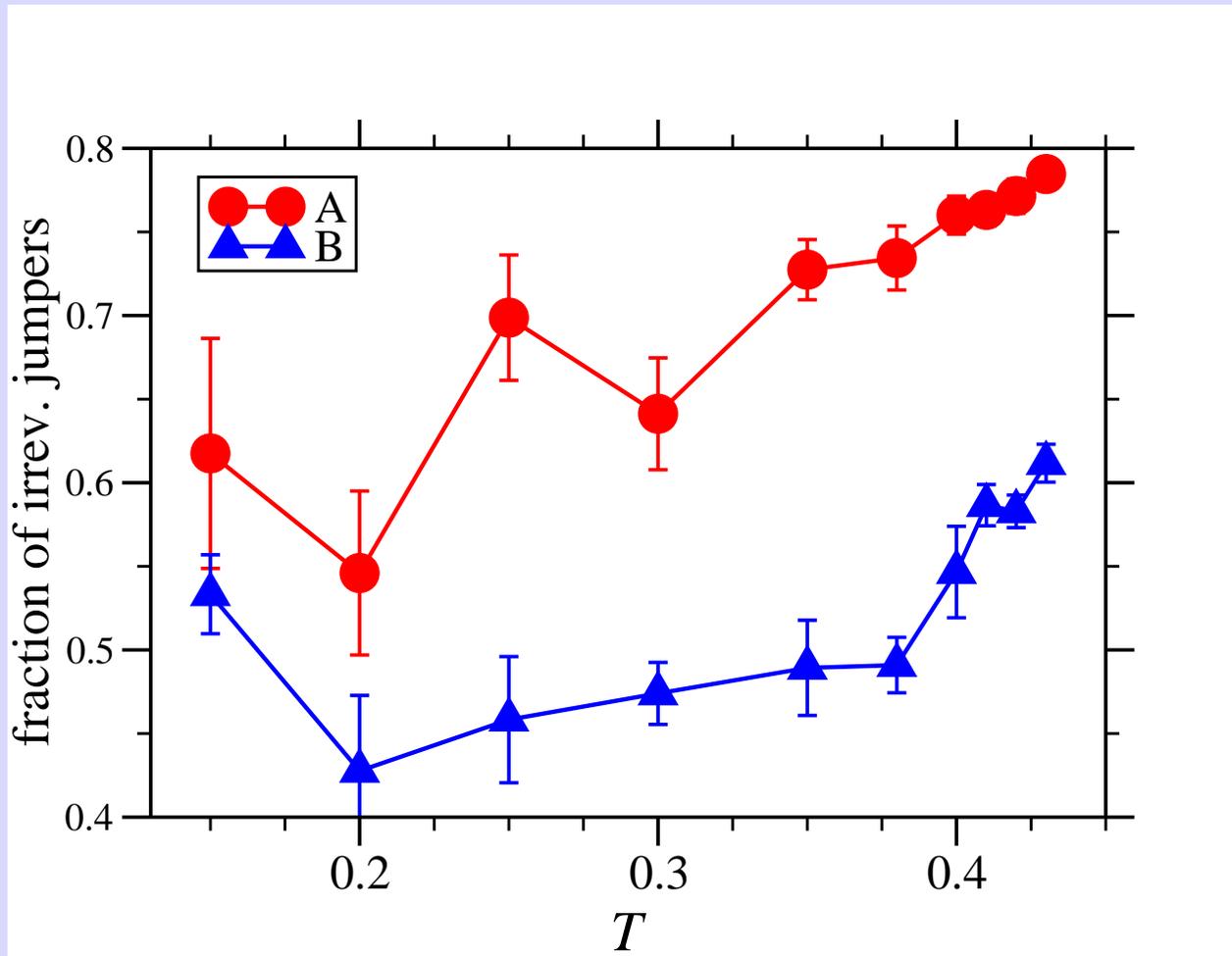
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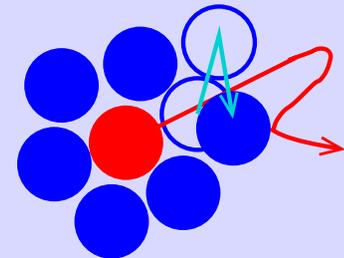
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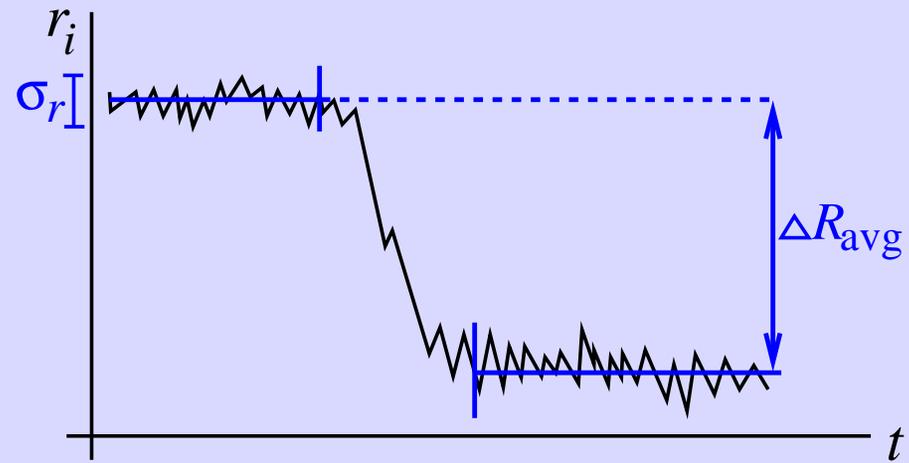


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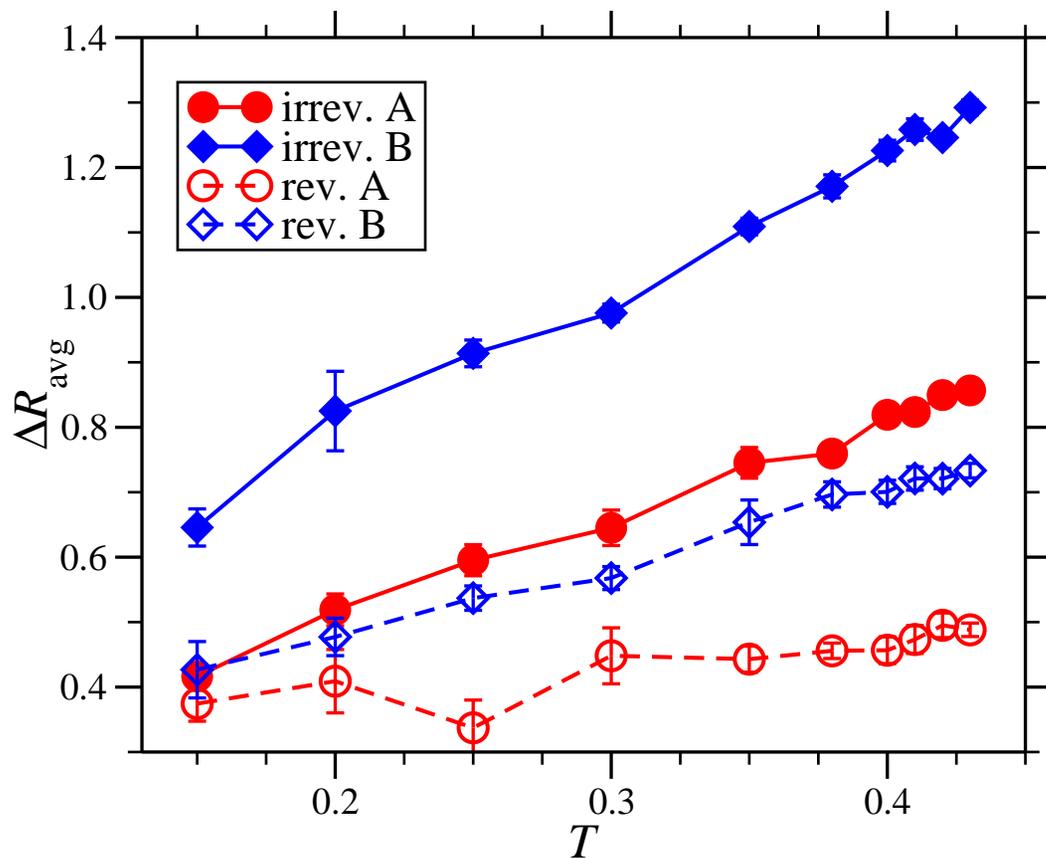
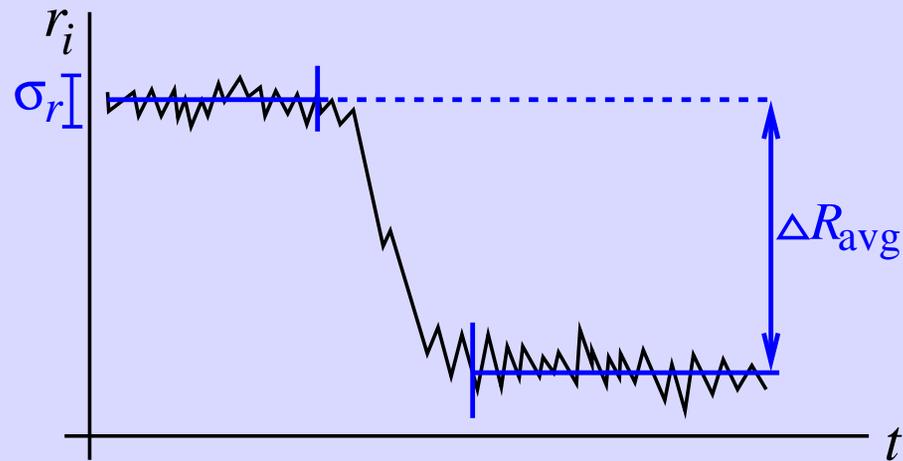
interpretation: door closing



Jump Size



Jump Size

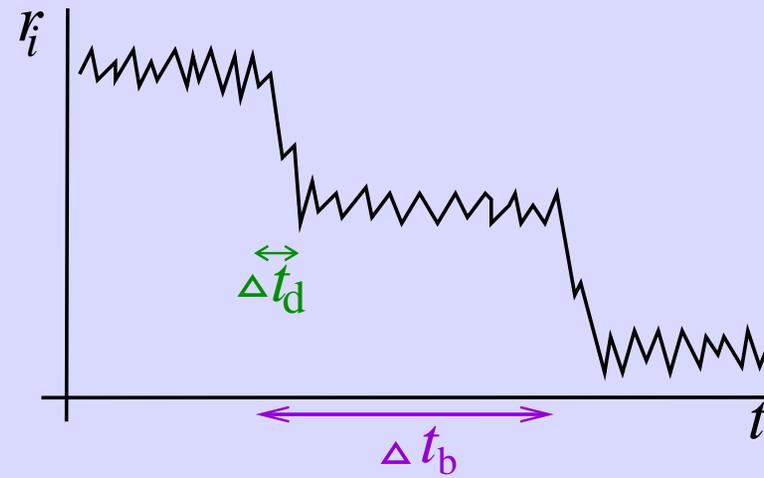


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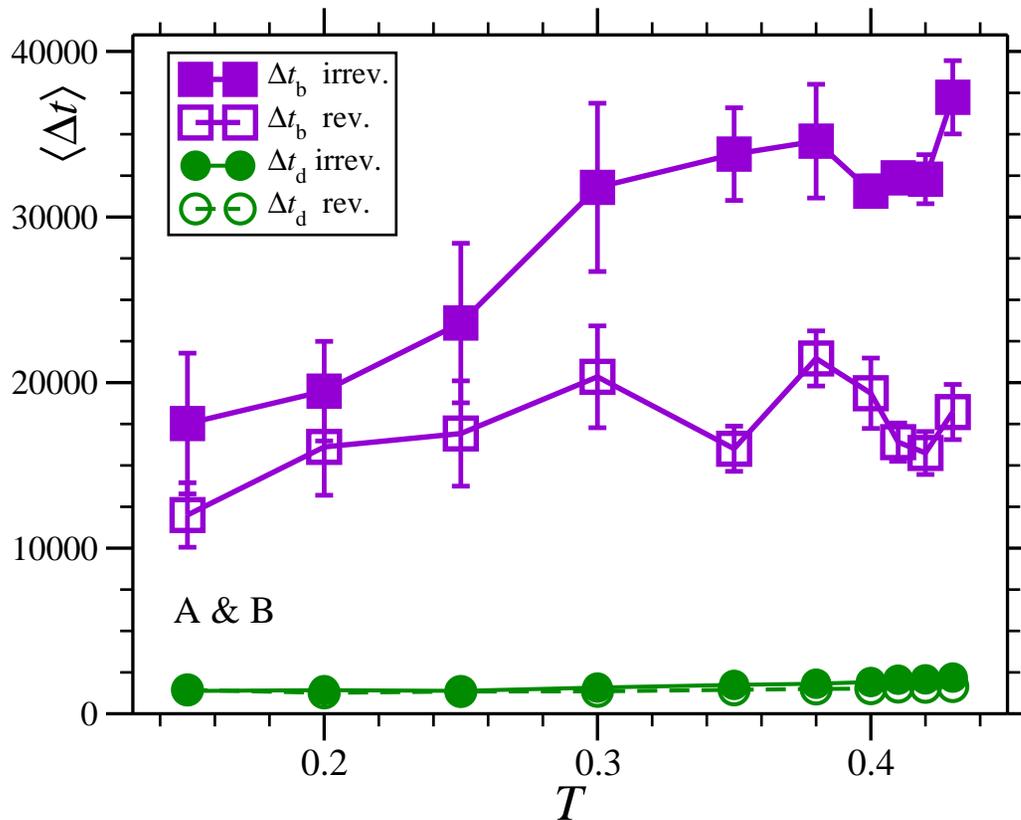
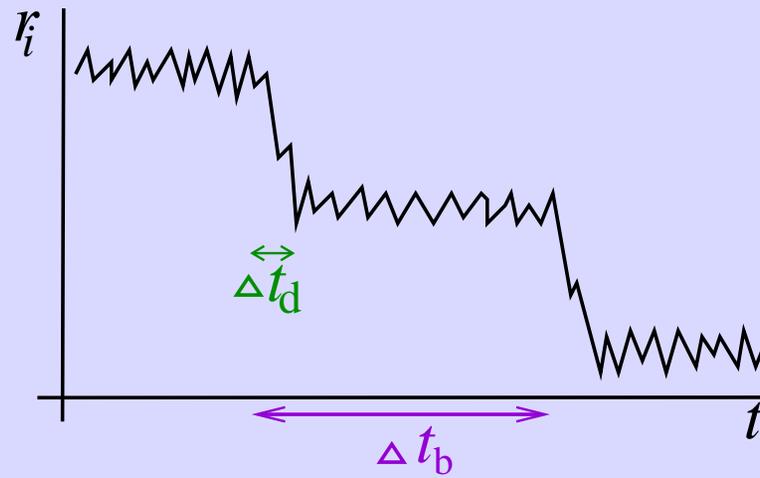
⇒ (smaller) B-particles jump farther

⇒ irreversible jumps farther

Time Scale



Time Scale



$$\implies \Delta t_b \gg \Delta t_d$$

$\implies \Delta t_b$ independent
of temperature

(whole simulation 10^5)

Summary: Jump Statistics

At larger temperature relaxation:

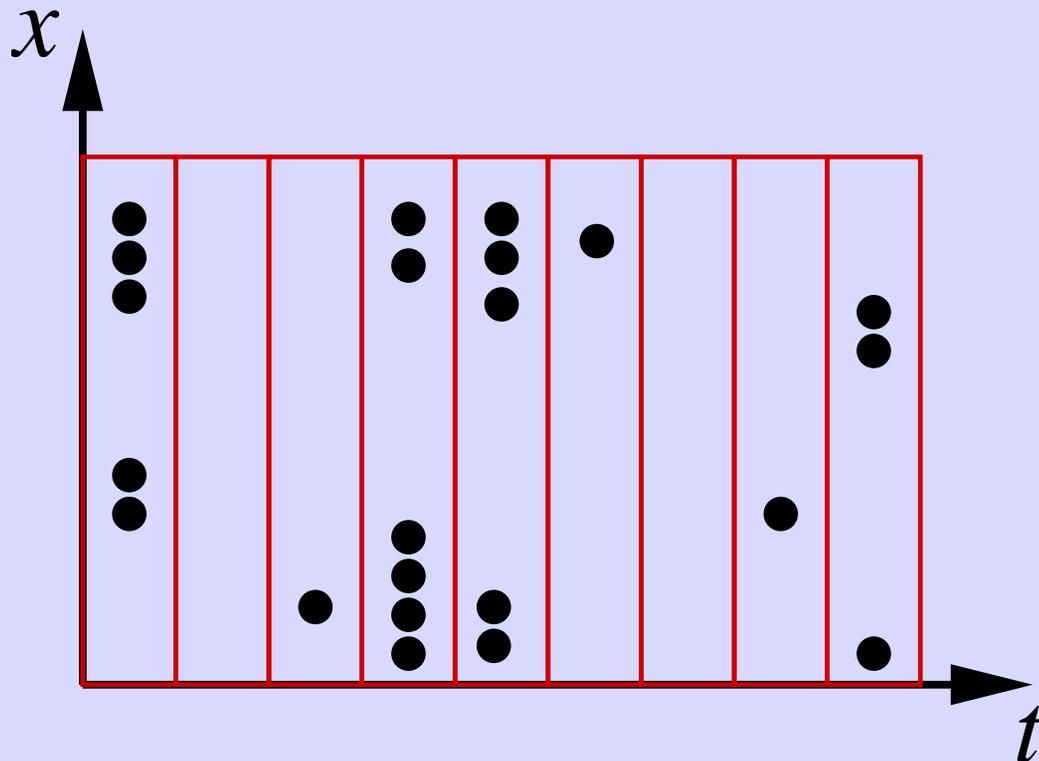
- not via Δt_b (indep. of T)
- via larger jumpsizes
- via more jumping particles

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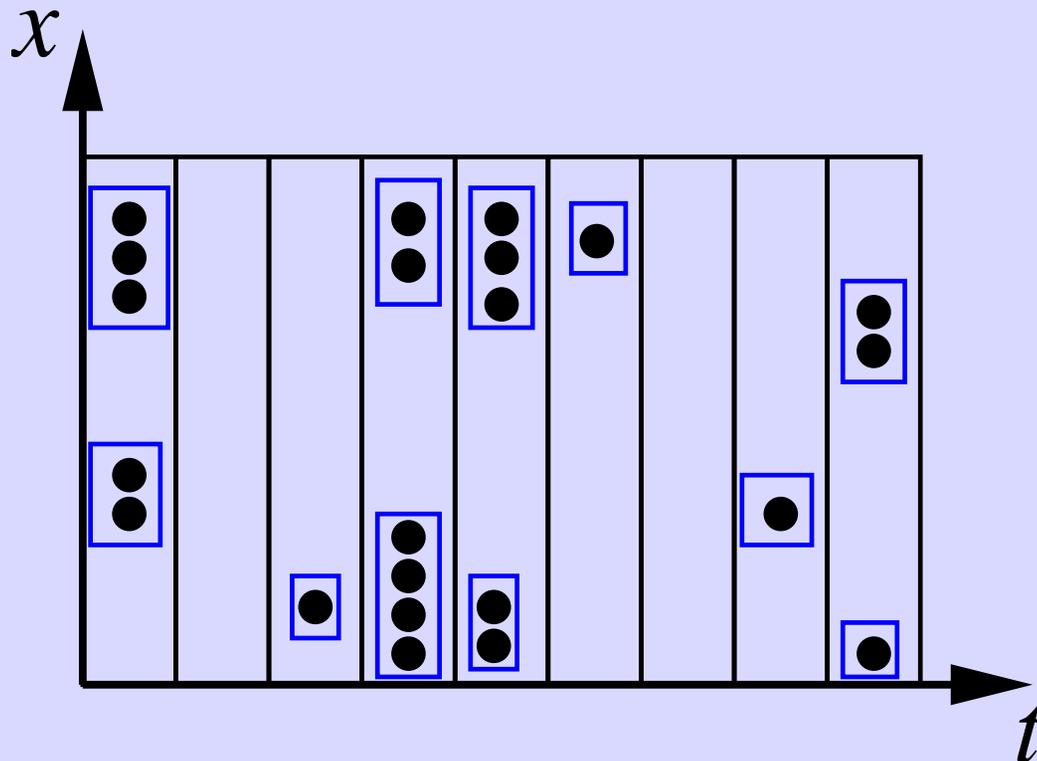
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Definition: Correlated in Time & Space



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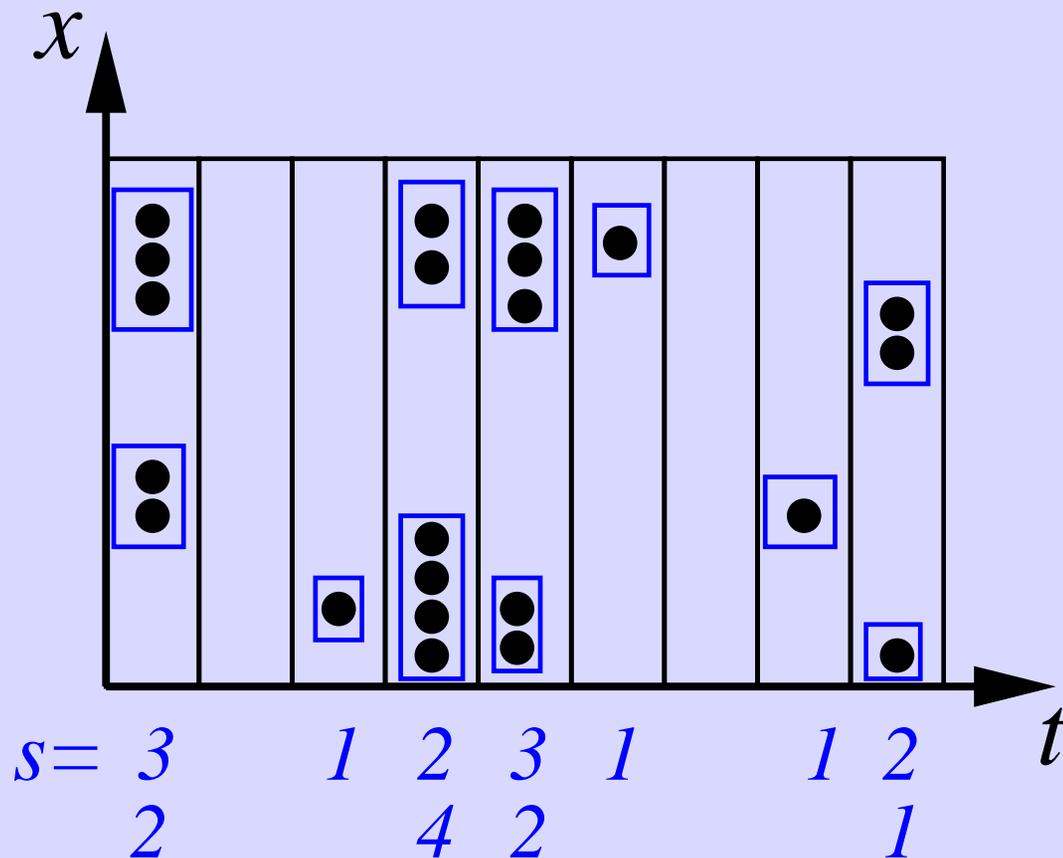


Cluster:

nearest neighbor
connections
(via $g(r)$)

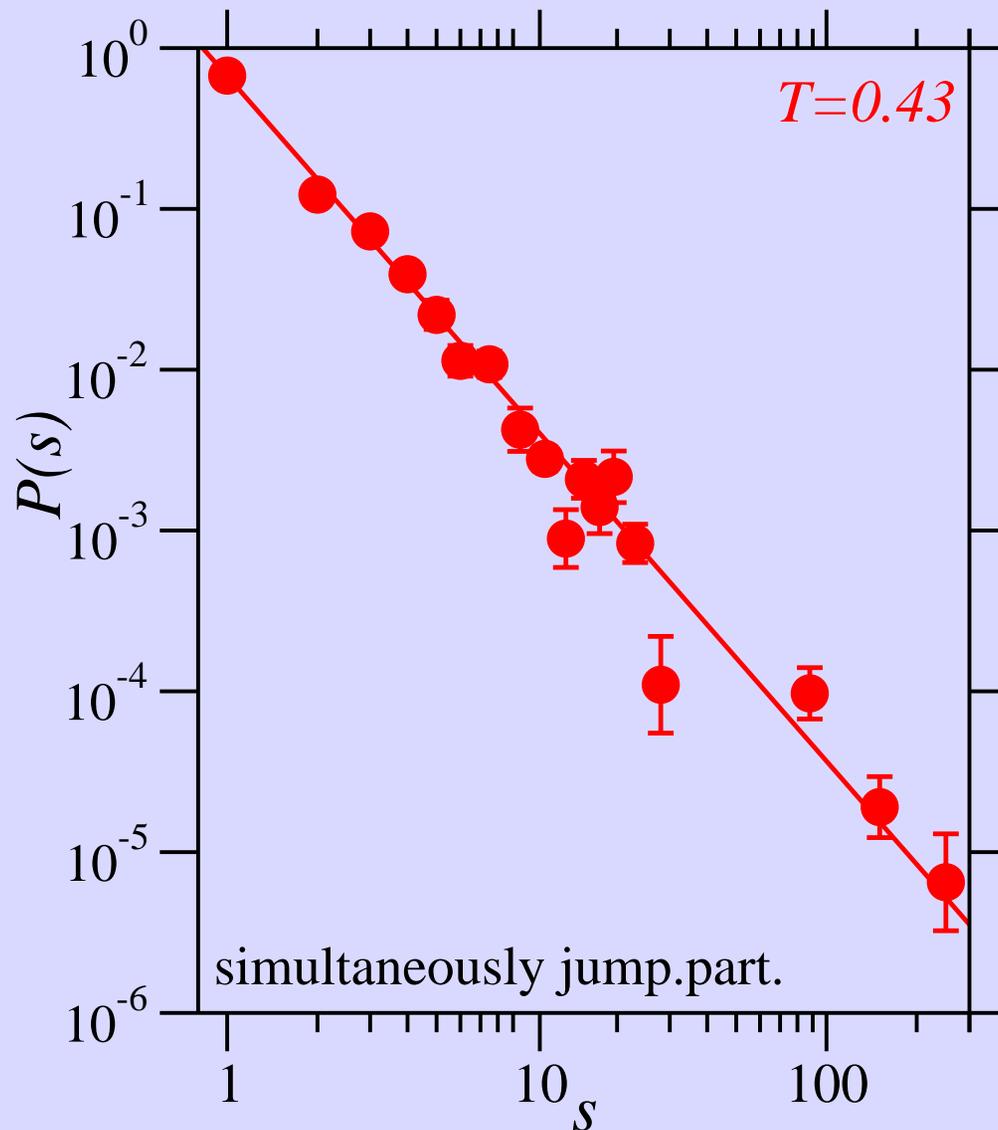
Simultaneously Jumping Particles

Cluster Size = number of particles in cluster



Cluster:
nearest neighbor
connections

Cluster Size Distribution of Simultaneously Jumping Particles



$$\Rightarrow \ln P = a - \tau \ln s$$

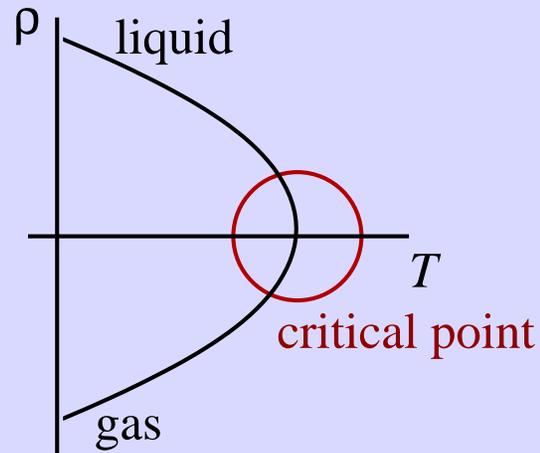
$$\Rightarrow P(s) \sim s^{-\tau}$$

$$\tau = 1.89 \pm 0.03$$

\Rightarrow critical behavior

Critical Behavior (Phase Transition)

Example: Liquid \leftrightarrow Gas



At Critical Point:

powerlaws \leftrightarrow scale invariance

$$f(x) = x^\alpha$$

$$f(\lambda x) = \lambda^\alpha x^\alpha = \lambda^\alpha f(x)$$

rescale x-axis rescale y-axis

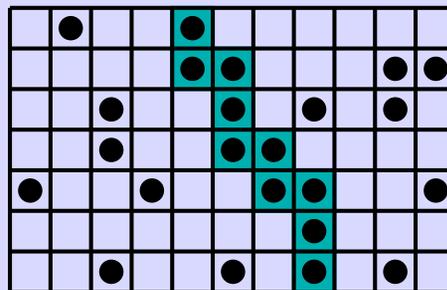
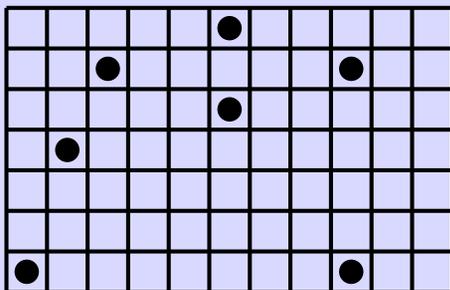
→ looks same from any distance

→ lack of specific length scale

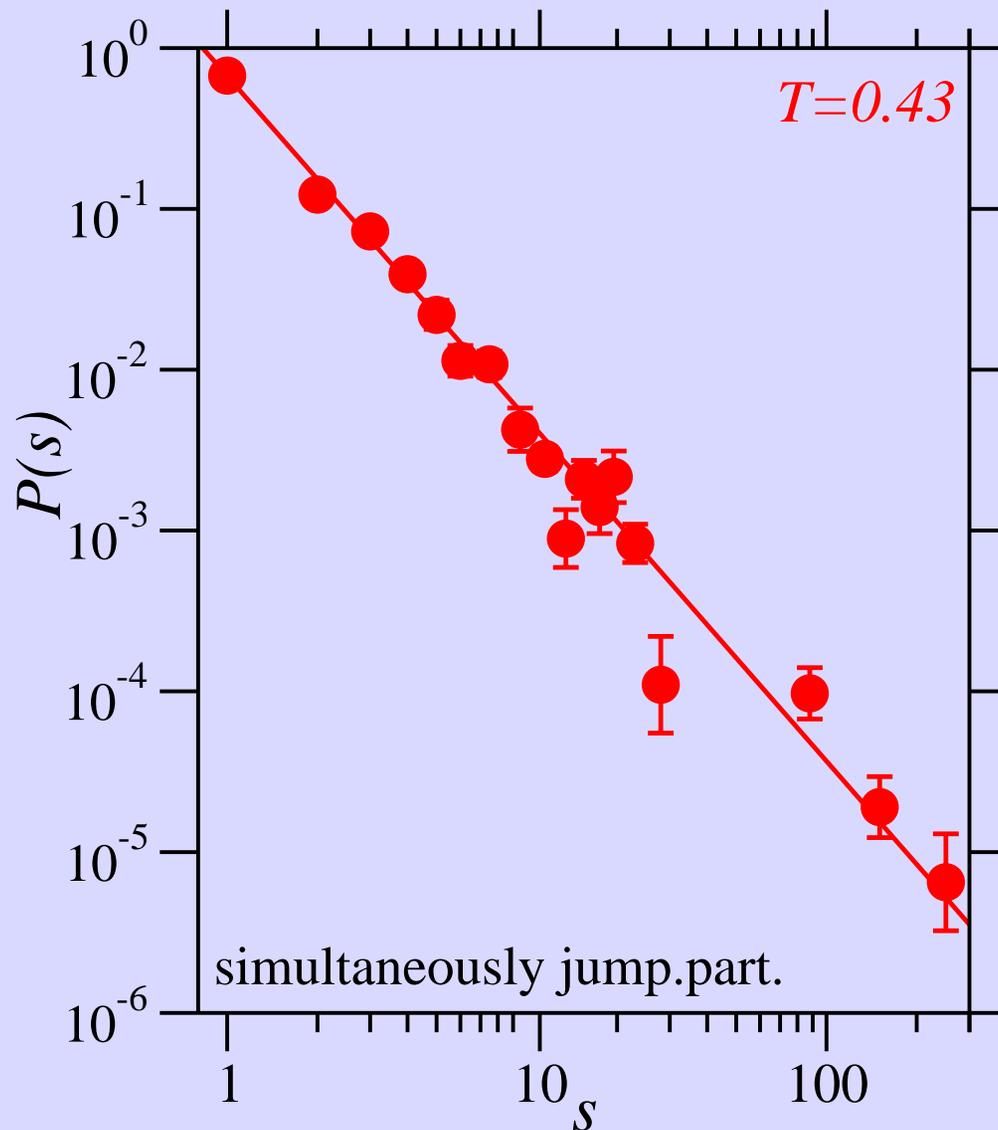
→ large fluctuations

Other Examples:

- Magnet (Ising Model)
- Synchronization
- Percolation



Cluster Size Distribution of Simultaneously Jumping Particles



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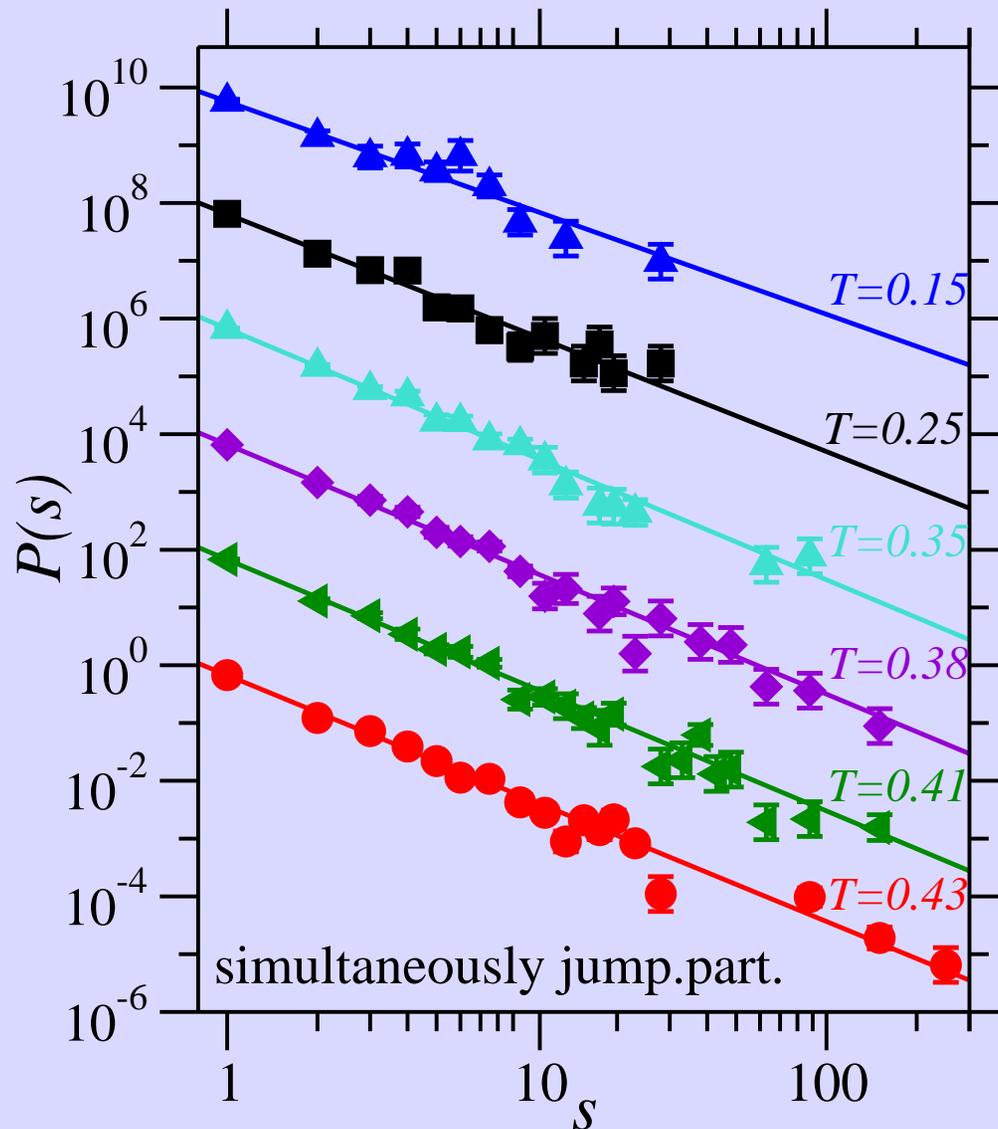
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\Rightarrow critical behavior

\Rightarrow Percolation?

Cluster Size Distribution of Simultaneously Jumping Particles



$$\implies P(s) \sim s^{-\tau}$$

percolation?

NO because

\implies power law for
all temperatures

\implies self-organized
criticality

$\tau(T)$

Self-Organized Criticality

powerlaw not only at critical point but
independent of details of external parameters

[P. Bak, C. Tang, and K. Wiesenfeld, PRL 59, 381 (1987)]

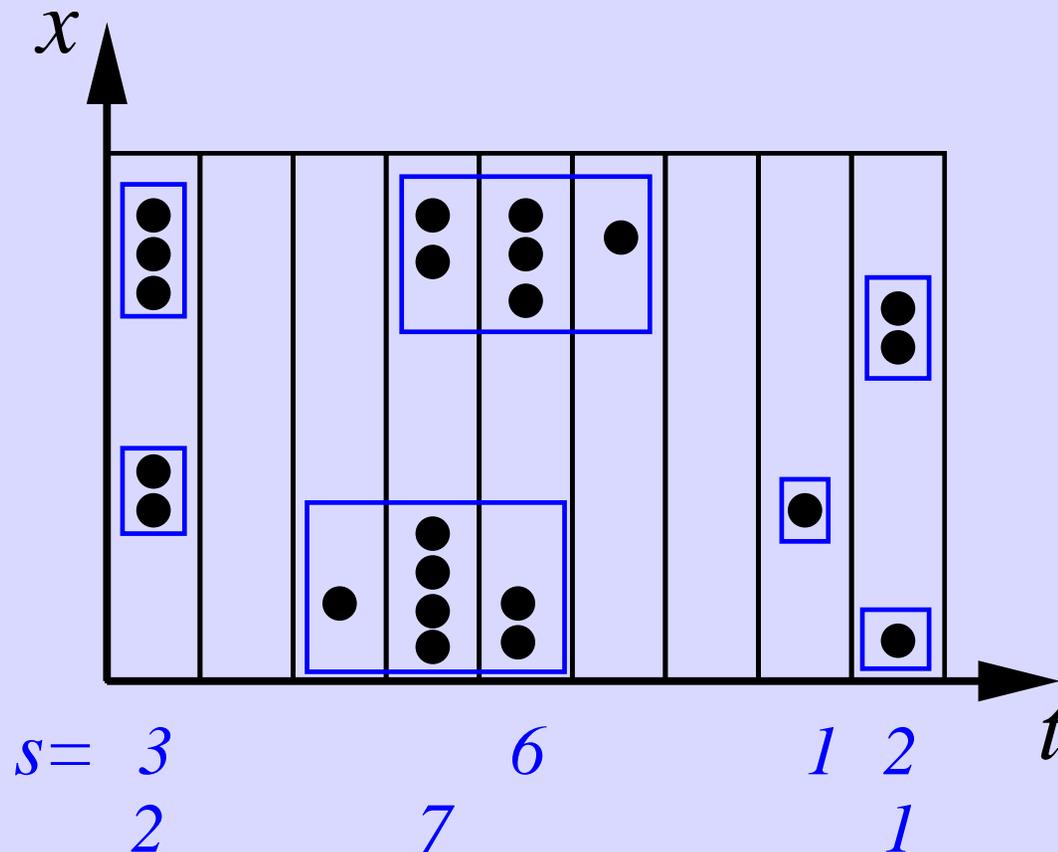
Examples:

- sandpile avalanches
- forest fire
- solar flares
- financial market
- earth quakes

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Temporally Extended Cluster

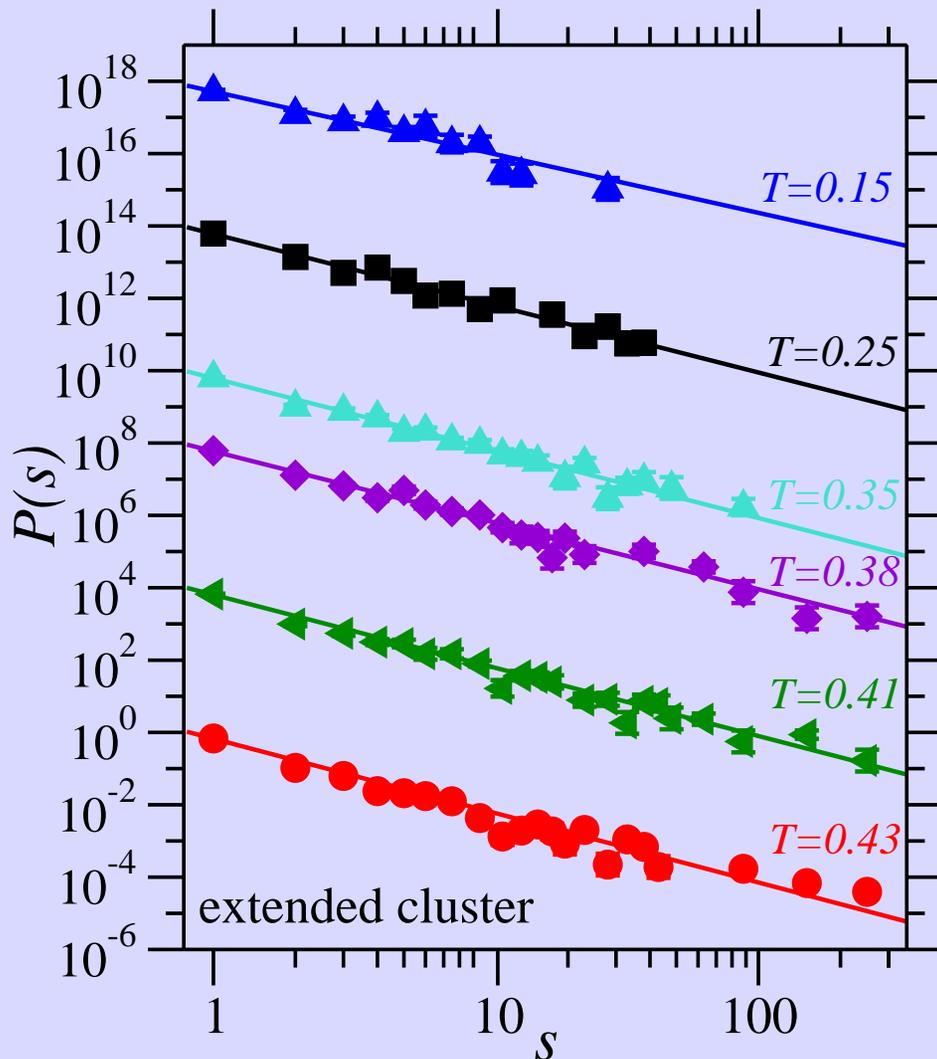


Definition:

cluster of events (\mathbf{r}_i, t_i)
connected if:

$$\Delta r < r_{\text{cutoff}} \quad \text{and}$$
$$\Delta t < t_{\text{cutoff}}$$

Cluster Size Distribution of Temporally Extended Clusters



$$\implies P(s) \sim s^{-\tau}$$

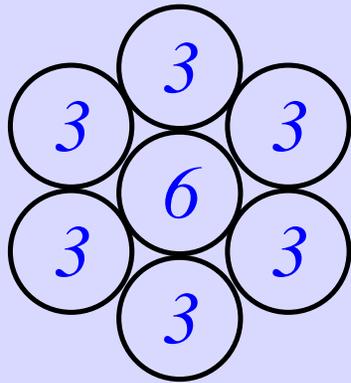
\implies for all temperatures
(self-organized crit.)

Shape of Clusters

z = number of nearest neighbors within cluster

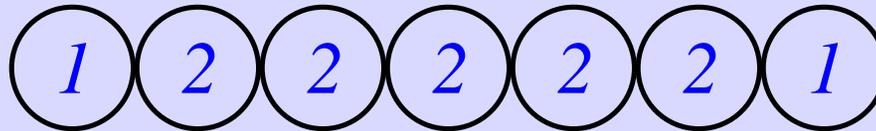
s = number of particles (cluster size)

$\langle z \rangle$ = average of z over particles $1, \dots, s$



$$s=7$$

$$\langle z \rangle = 3.4$$



$$s=7$$

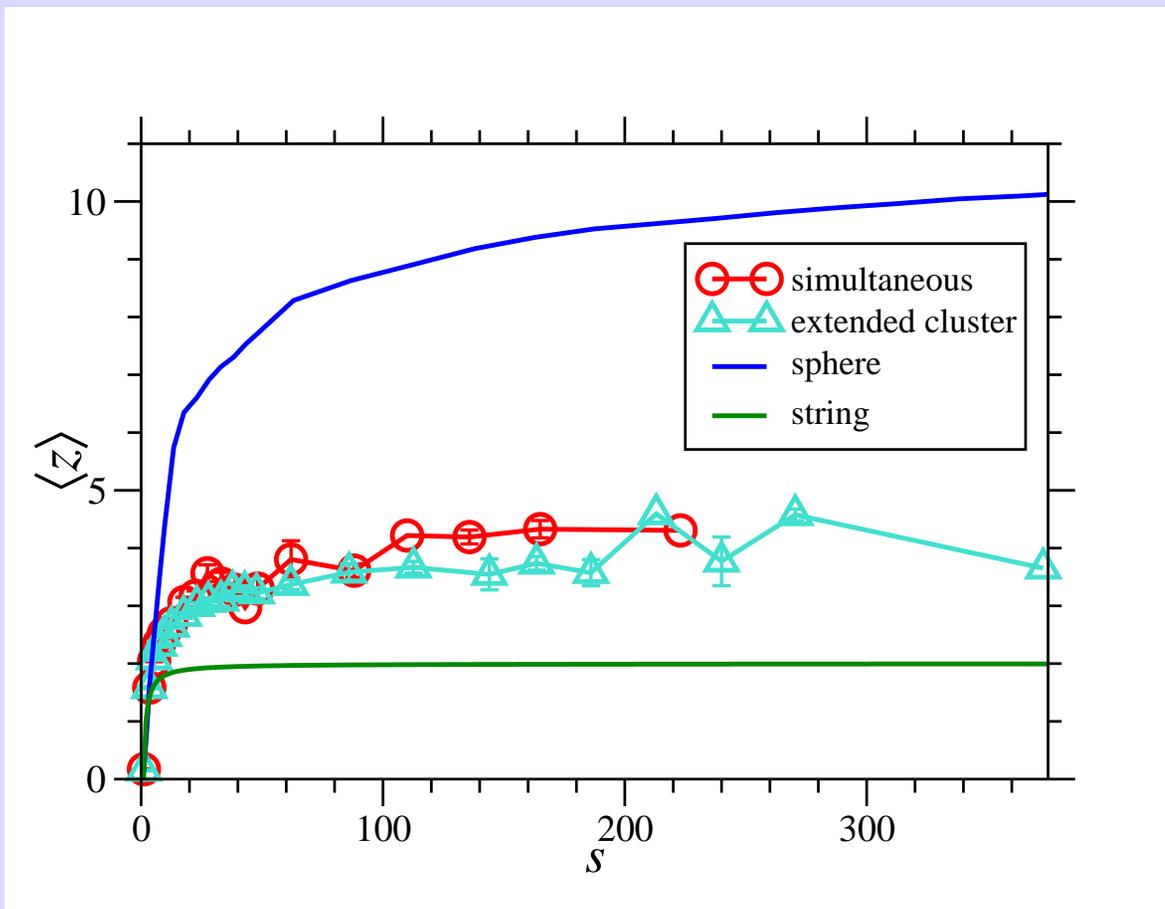
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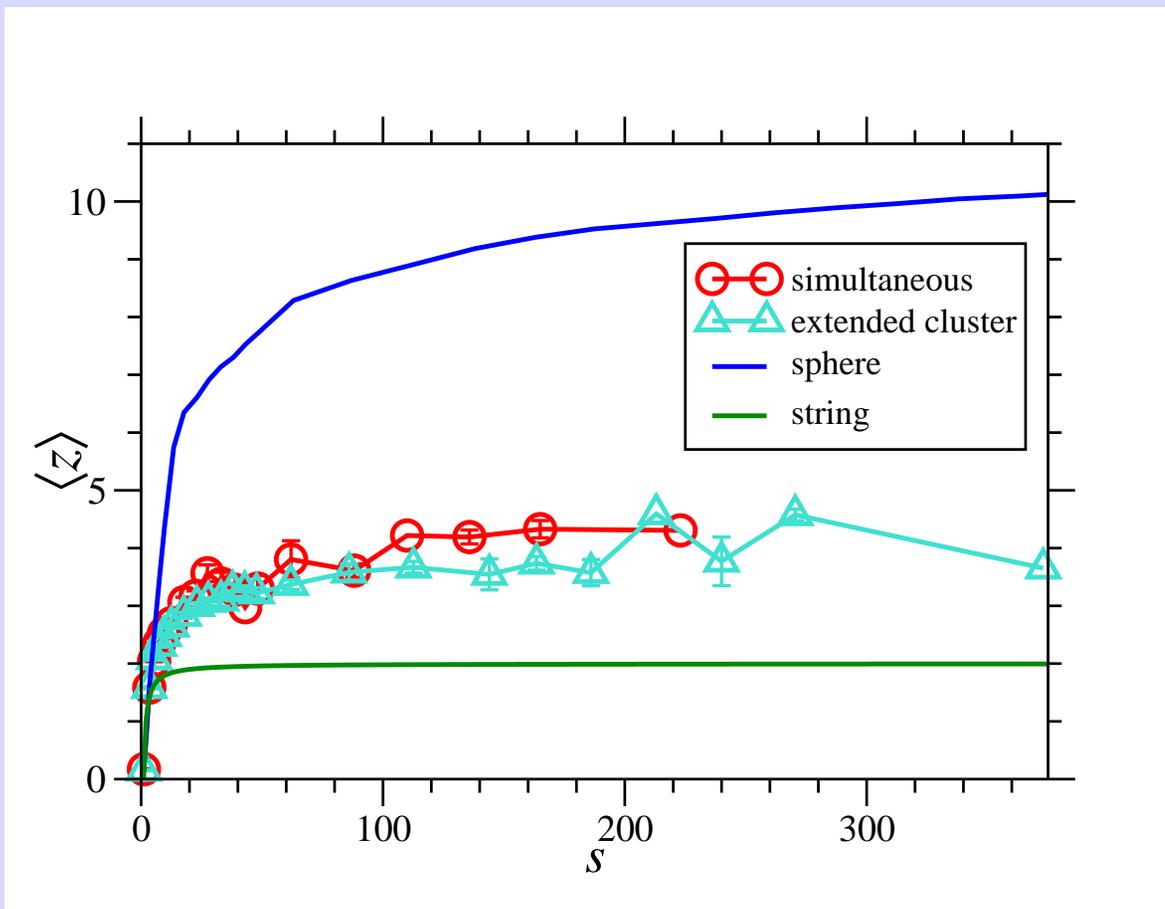
⇒ string-like clusters

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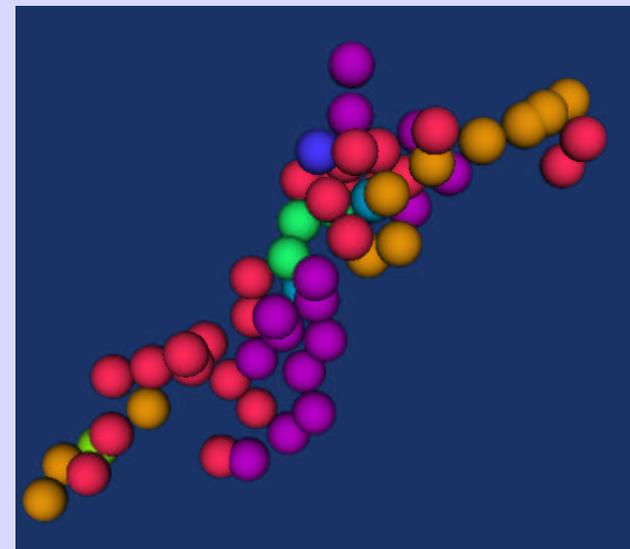
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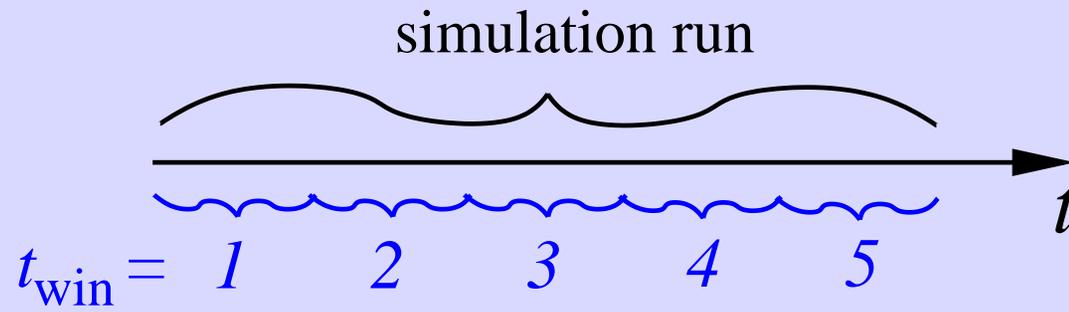


same color = same time

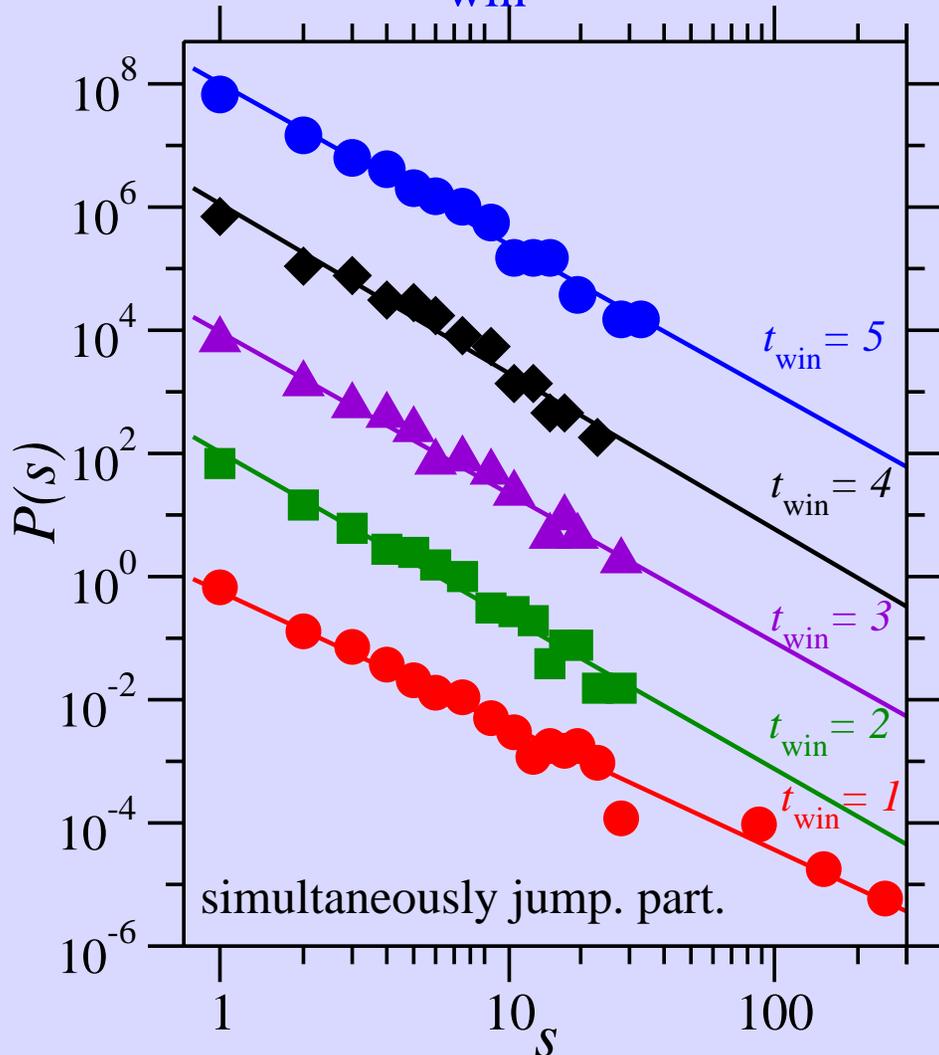
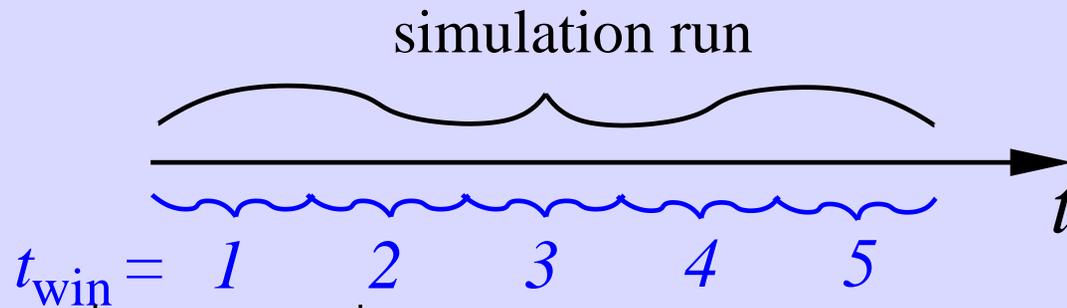
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History Dependence



Power Law

(Simultan. Jump. Part.)

\Rightarrow aging independent

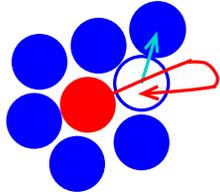
$\tau(T)$

Outline

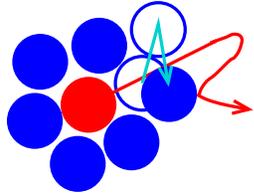
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Summary: Jump Statistics

reversible and irreversible jumps:



reversible jump



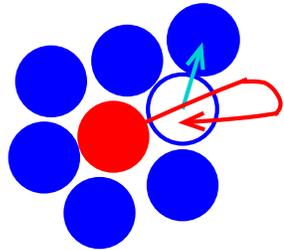
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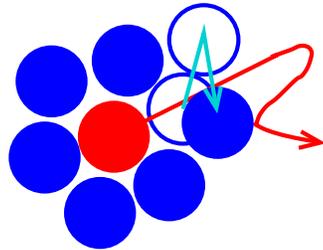
- via more jumping particles
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reversible and irreversible jumps:



reversible jump



irreversible jump

At larger temperature relaxation:

- via more jumping particles history dependent
- via larger jumpsizes history independent
- not via Δt_b (indep. of T) history independent

Summary: Correlated Single Particle Jumps

simultaneously jump. part. & extended clusters

- single particle jumps are correlated spatially and temporally
- Distribution of Cluster Size: $P(s) \sim s^{-\tau}$
 - ◇ indep. of cluster definition and waiting time
 - ◇ for all temp. \longrightarrow **self-organized criticality**
(critical behavior gets frozen in)
- string-like clusters

Future/Present

- SiO_2
(R. A. Bjorkquist & J. A. Roman & J. Horbach)
- granular media
(T. Aspelmeier & A. Zippelius)

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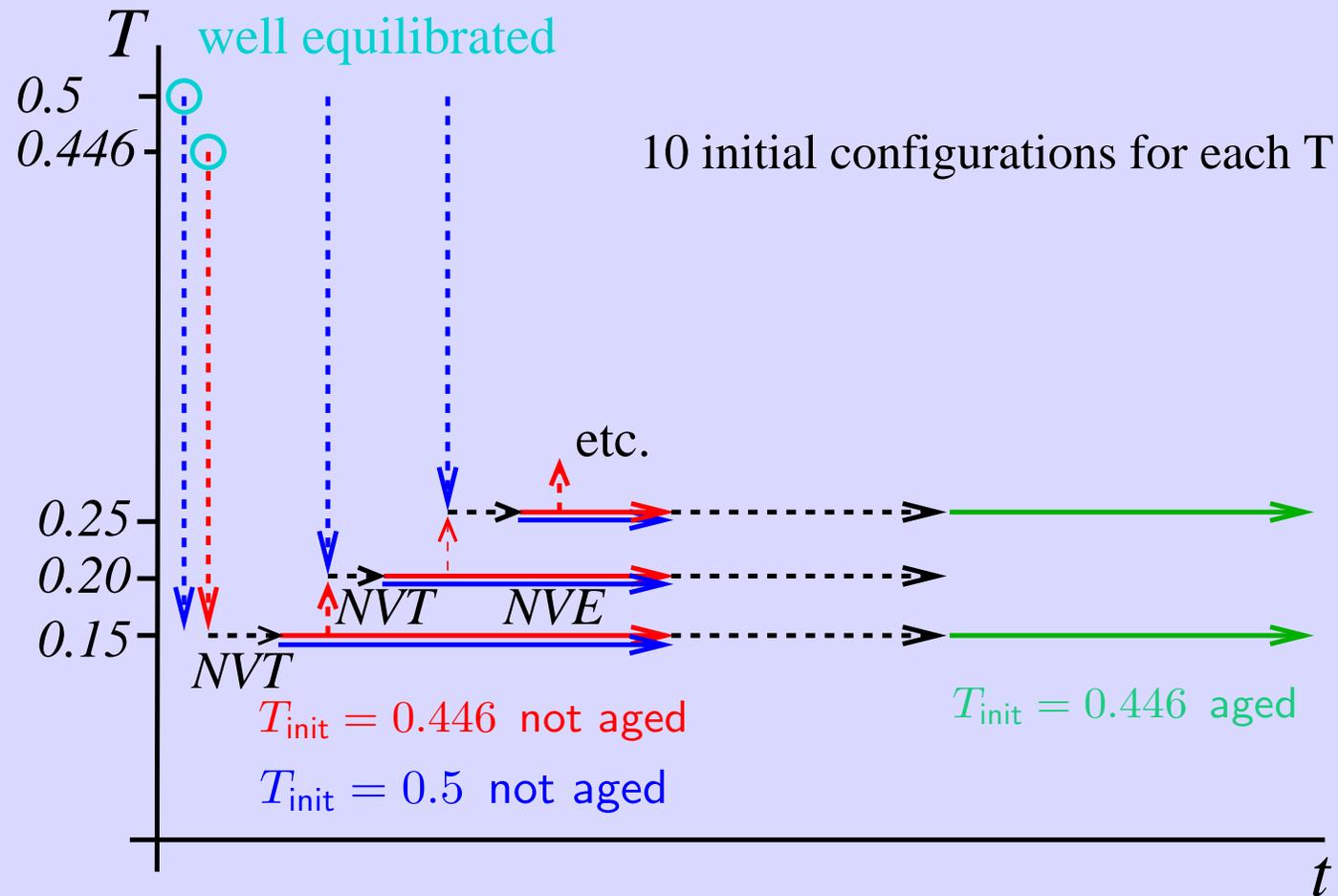
Time Scales

- one MD step: 0.02 time units, Ar: $3 \cdot 10^{-13} \text{s} \cdot 0.02 = 6 \text{fs}$
- one oscillation: 100 MD steps, 0.6 ps
- time a jump takes: 200 MD steps, 1.2 ps
- time resolution (time bin): 40000 MD steps, 240 ps
- time betw. successive jumps Δt_b : $1.5 \cdot 10^6$ MD steps, 9 ns
- whole simulation run: $5 \cdot 10^6$ MD steps, 30 ns

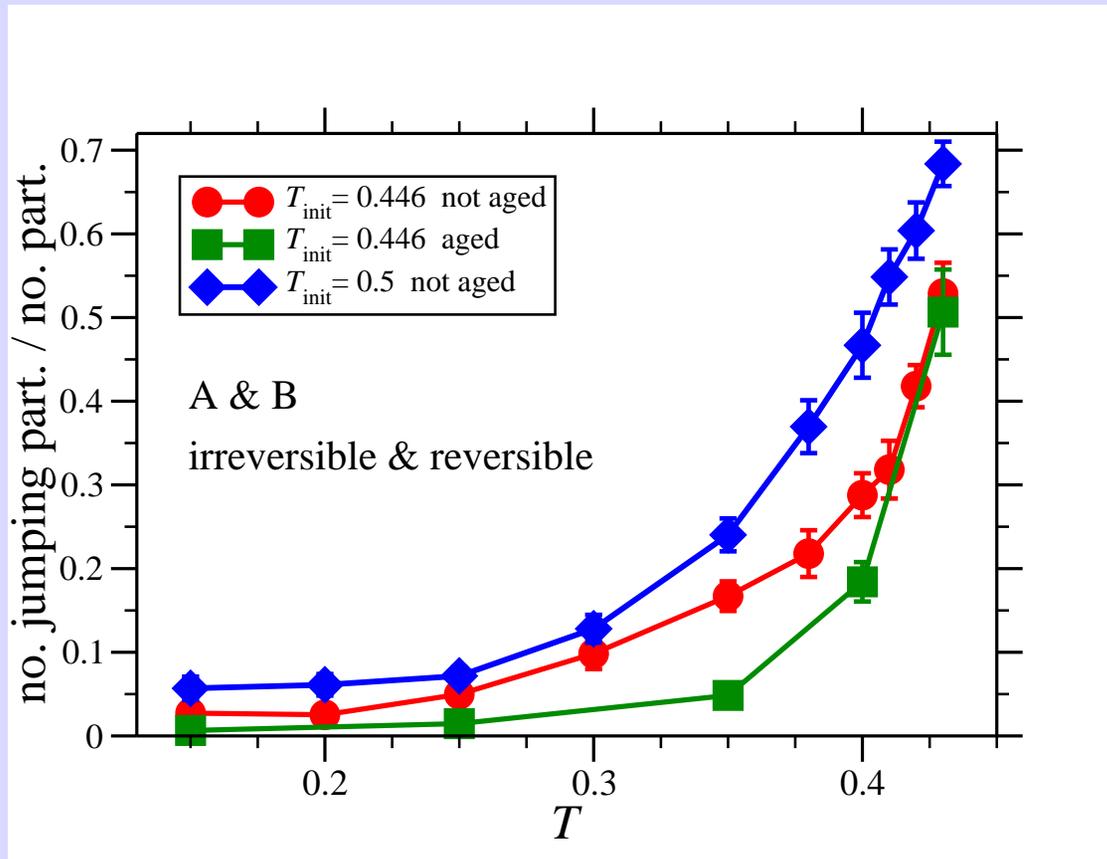
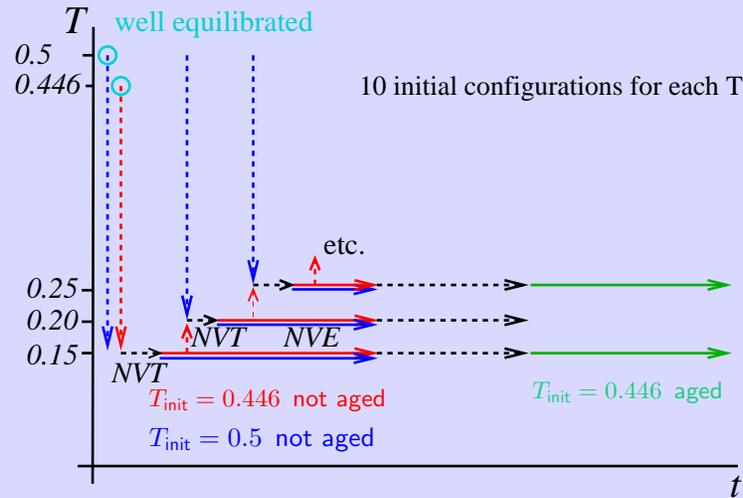
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Cooperative Processes: $N_{t,bcl}$

History of Production Runs



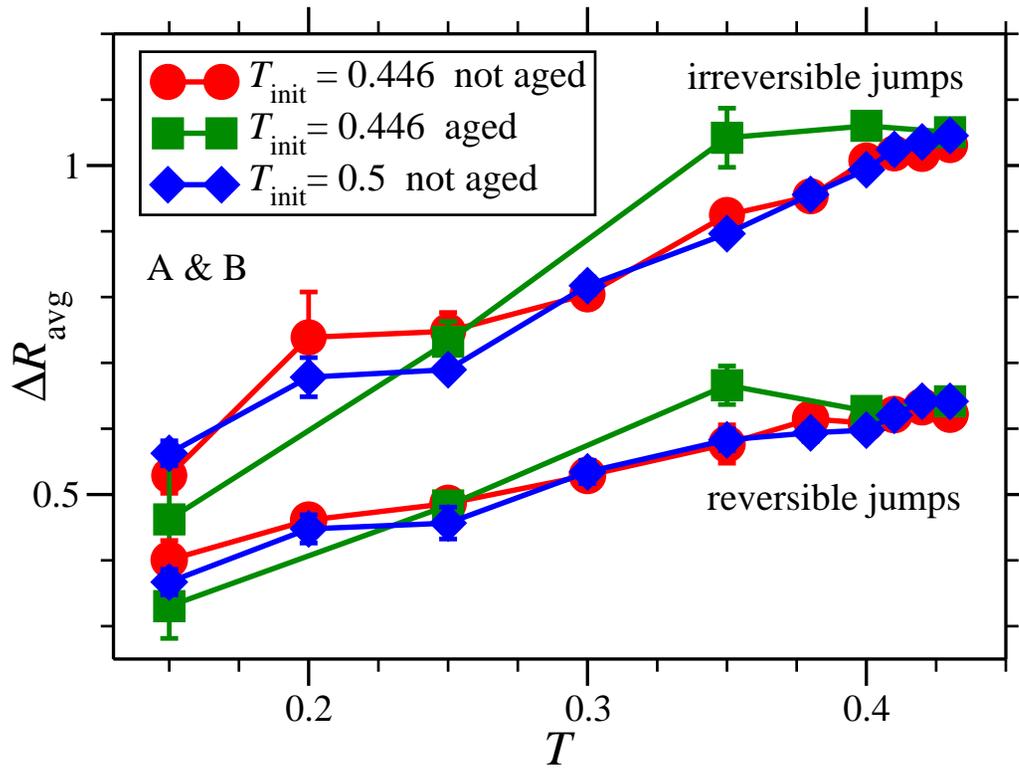
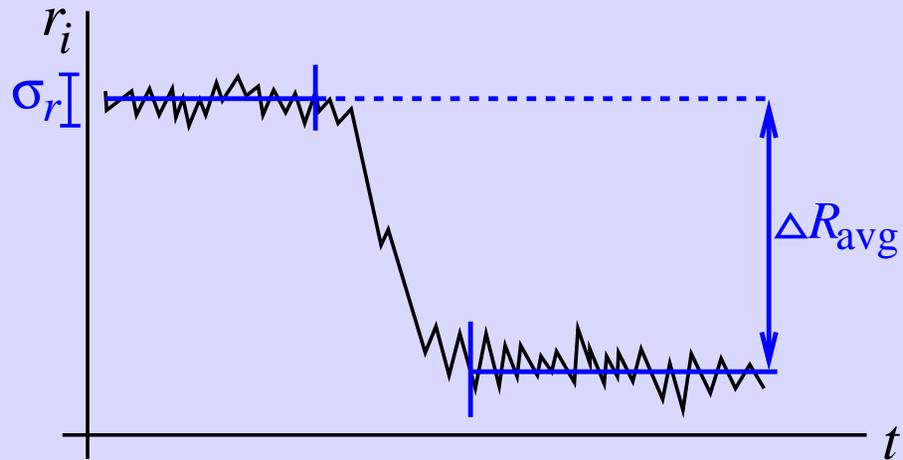
History Dependence



Number of Jump. Part.

⇒ history dependent

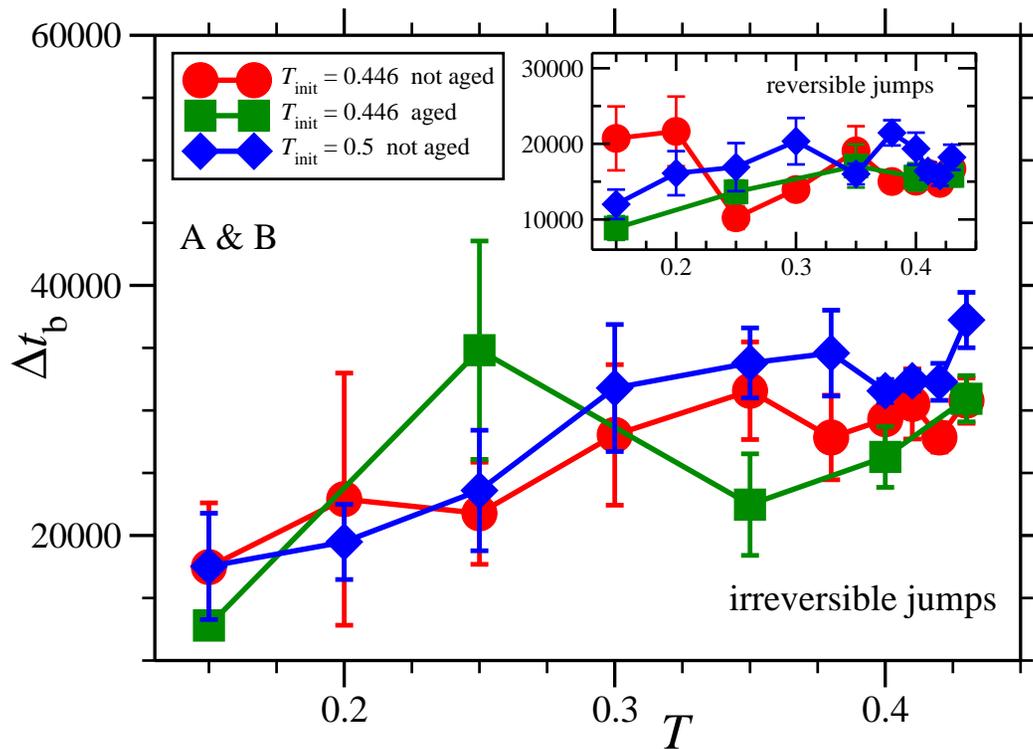
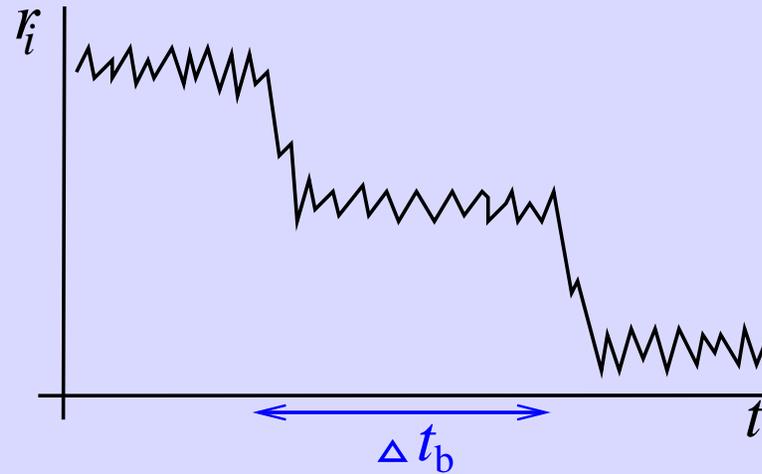
History Dependence



Jump Size

\implies history independent

History Dependence

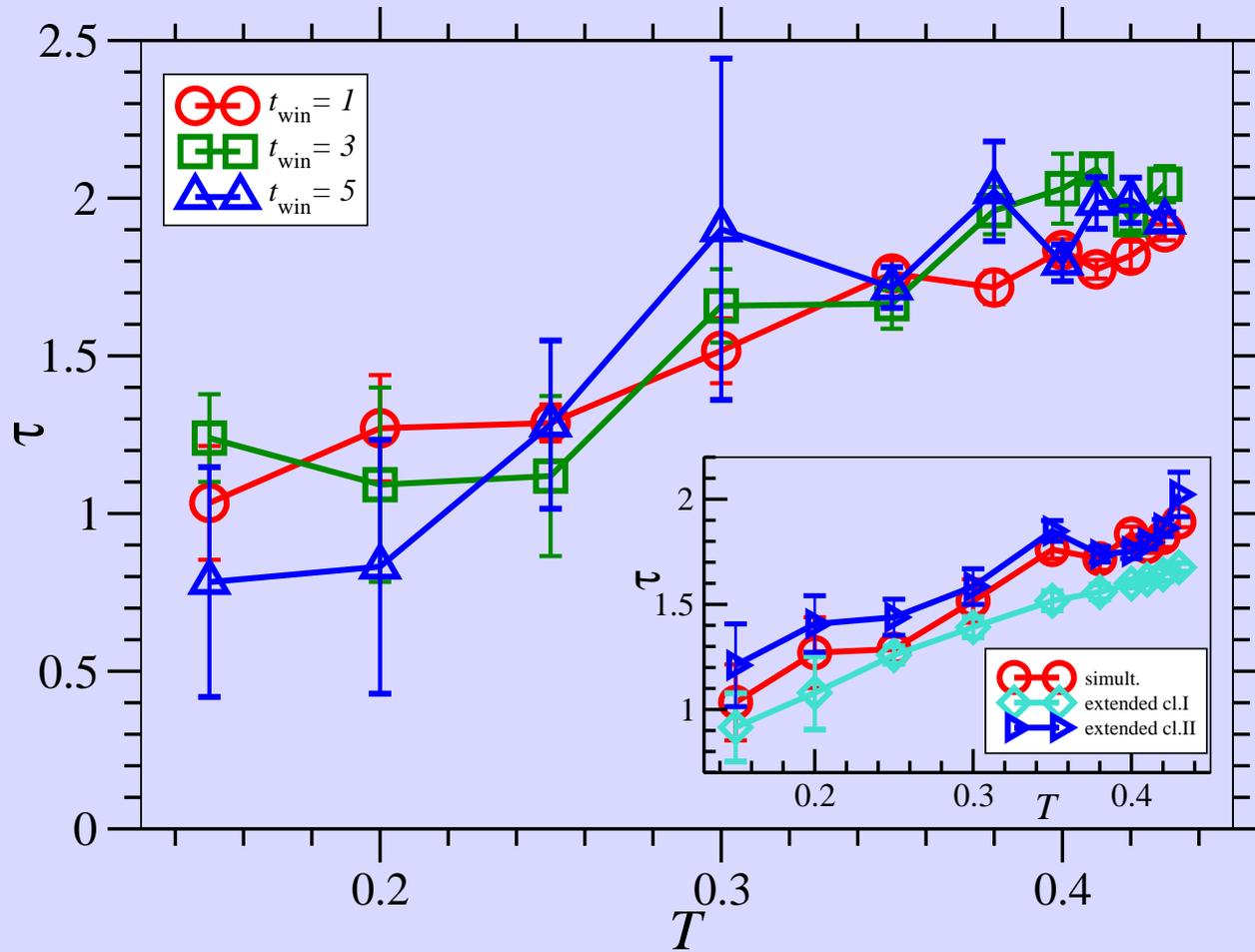


Time Between Jumps

⇒ history independent

Summary: Jump Statistics

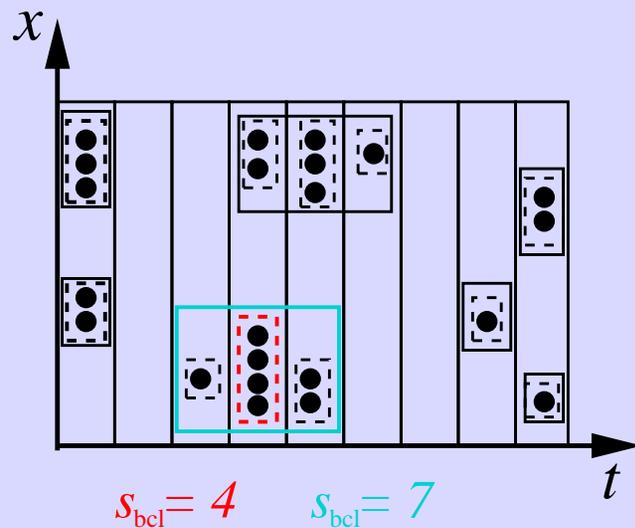
Exponent $\tau(T)$



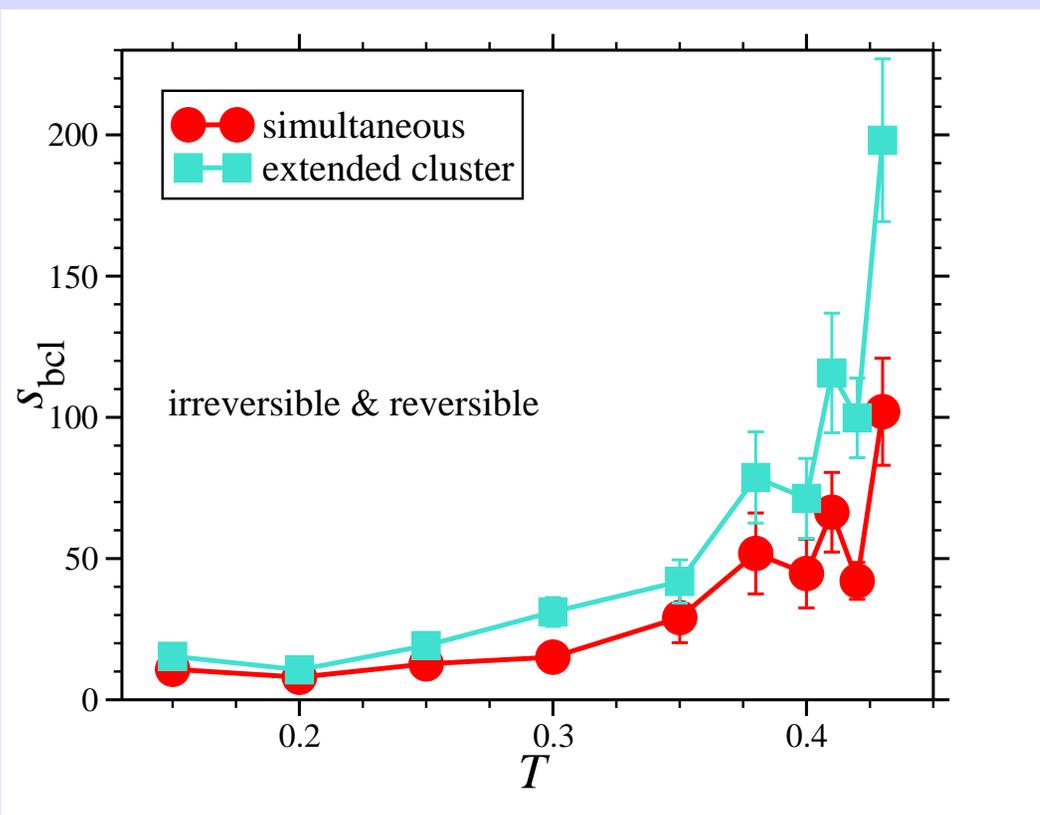
$P(s)_T$

$P(s)_{\text{twin}}$

Most Cooperative Processes



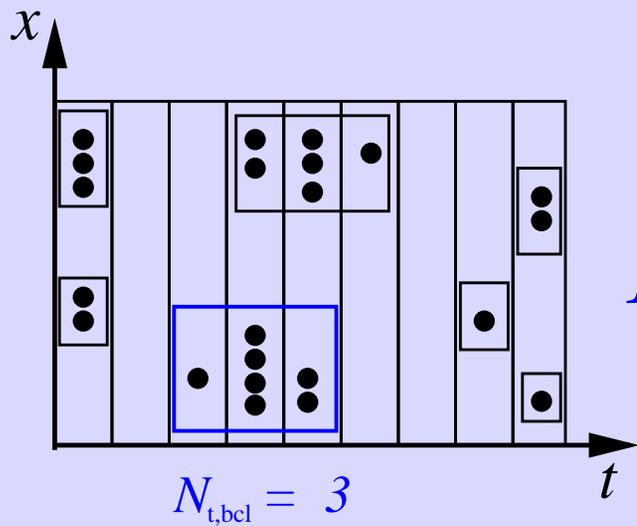
$s_{\text{bcl}} =$ largest cluster size



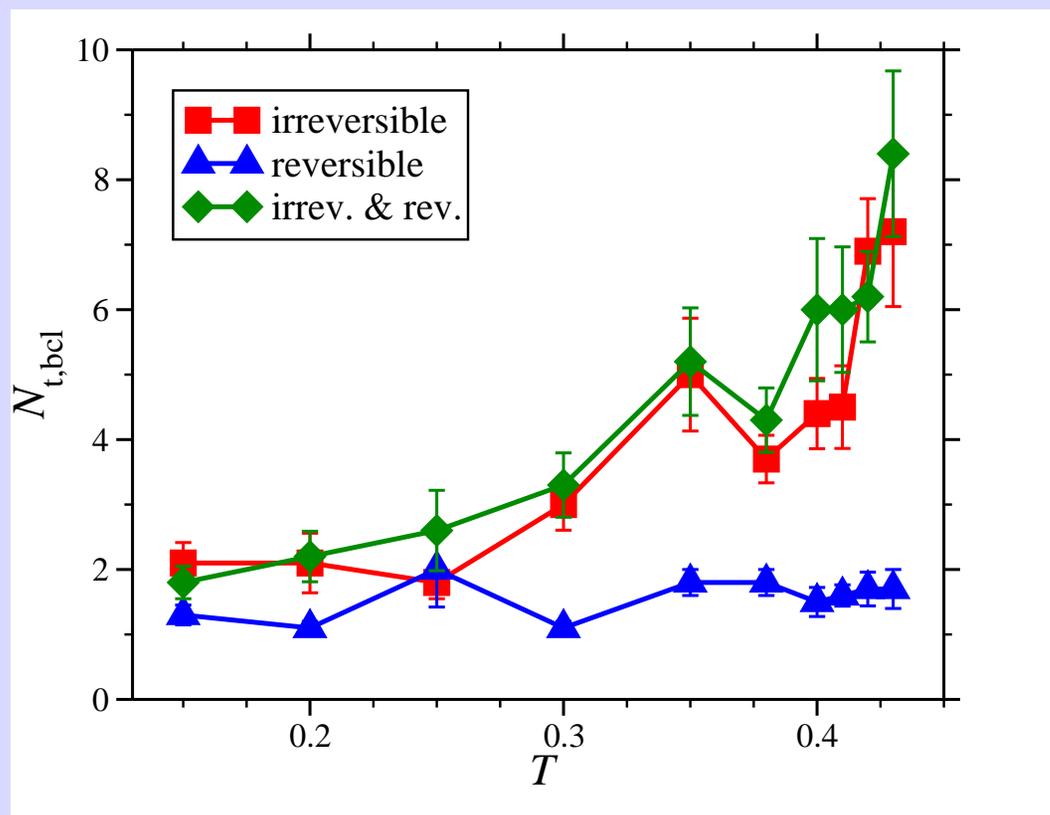
\Rightarrow highly correlated
single particle
jumps

● many particles

Most Cooperative Processes



$N_{t,bcl}$ = no. of time bins of largest cluster



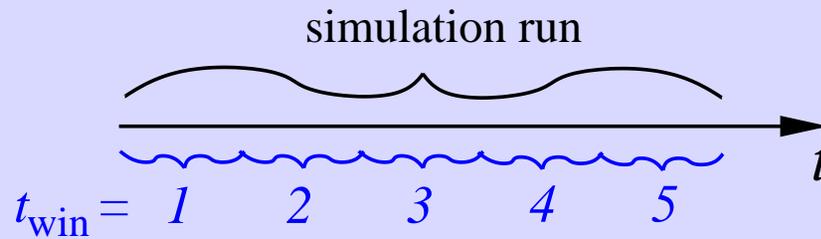
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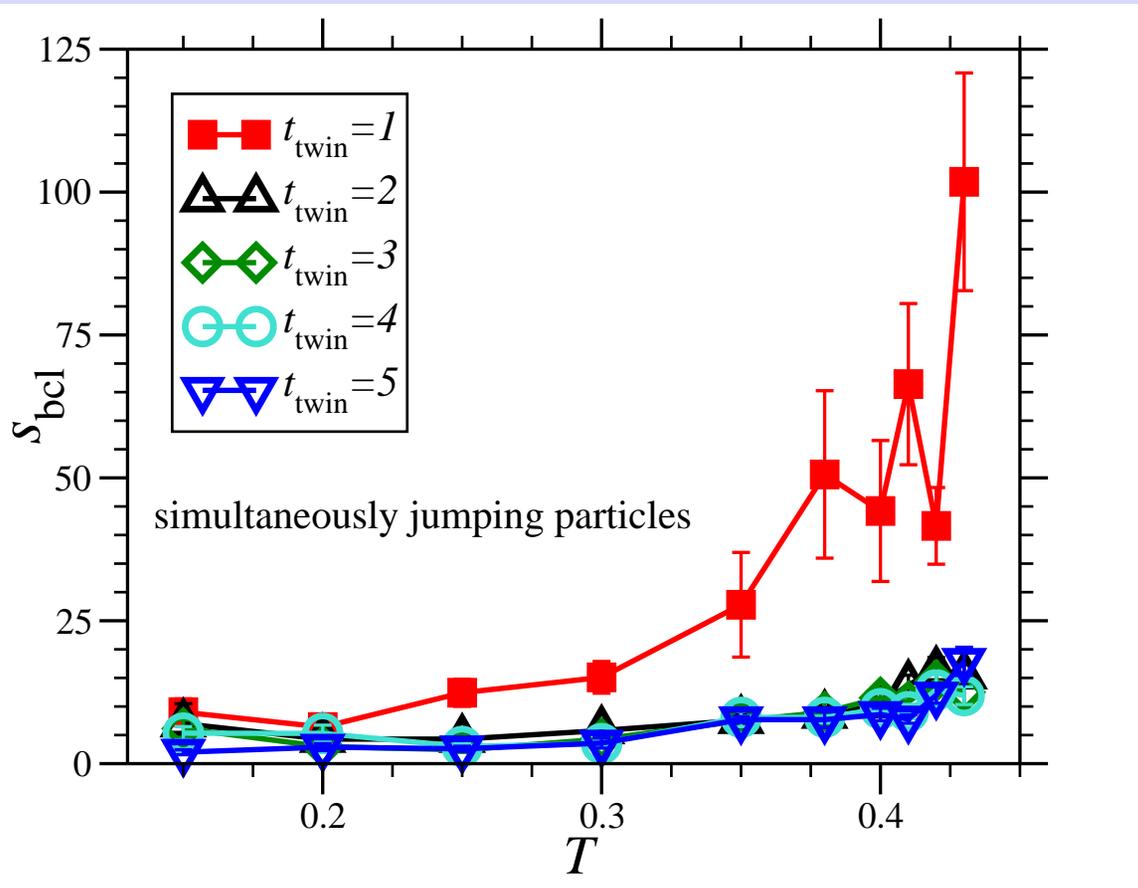
● many time bins

(maximum = 125)

History Dependence



$s_{\text{bcl}} =$ largest cluster size



\Rightarrow aging dependent

- 1st t-window:

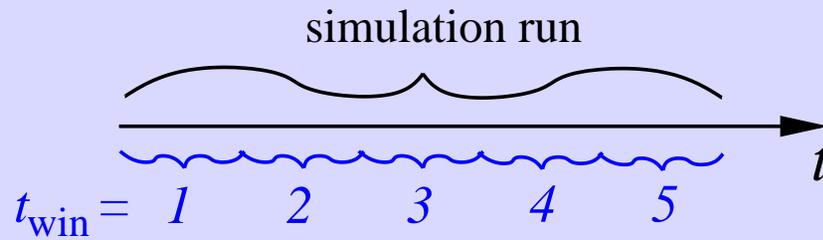
highly cooperative

- 2nd - 5th t-window:

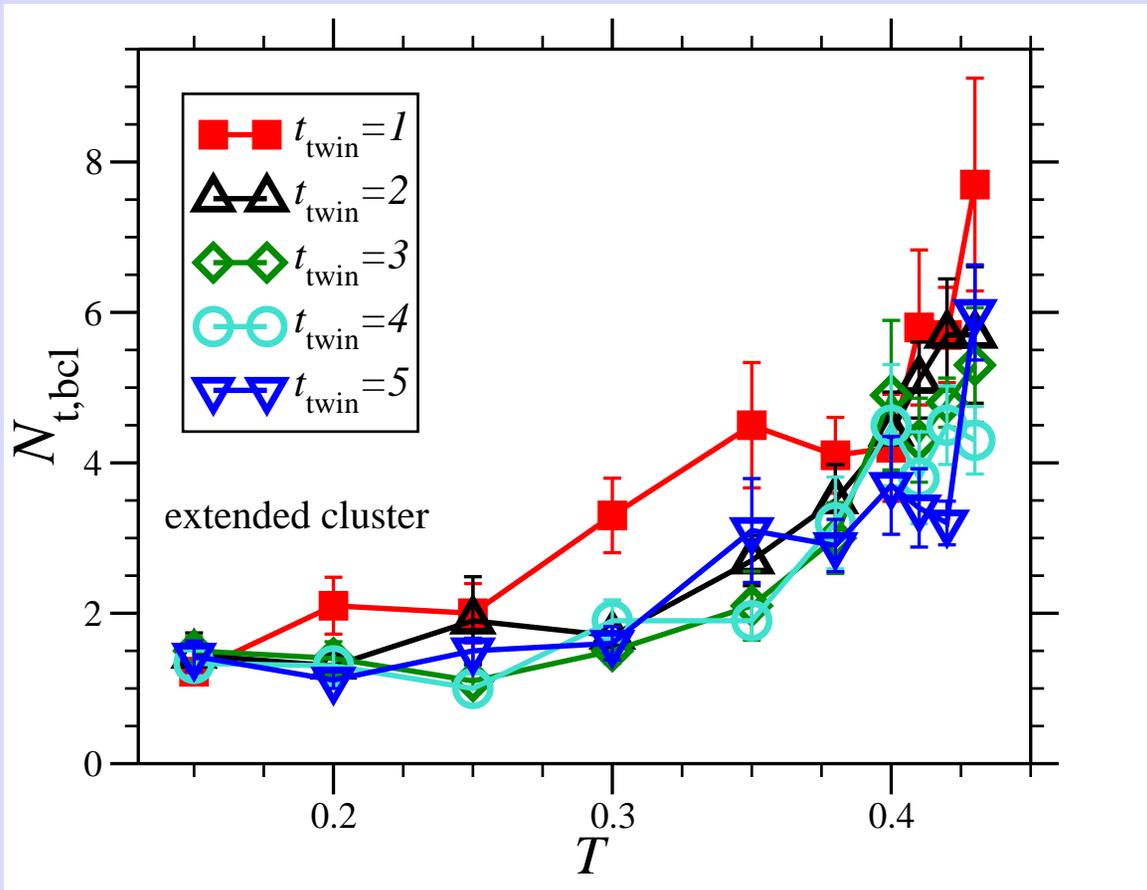
same, cooperative

s_{bcl} extended cluster

History Dependence



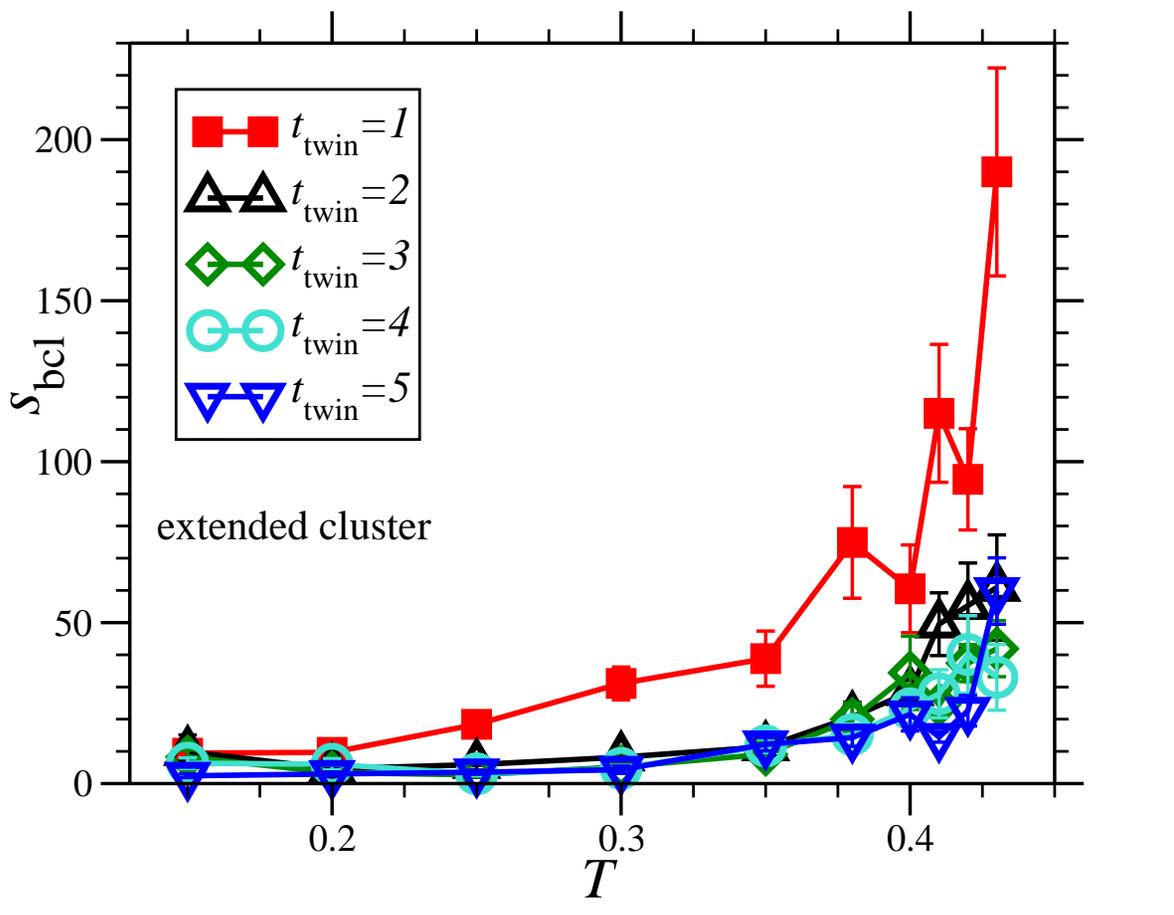
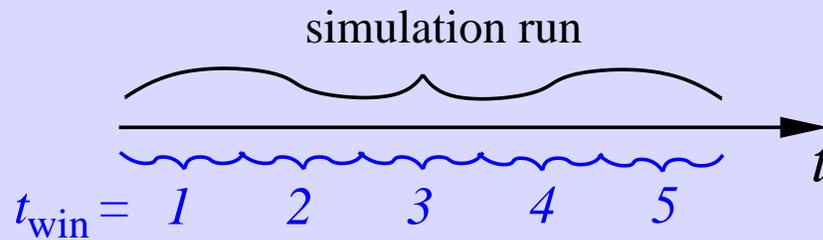
$N_{t,\text{bcl}} = \text{no. of } t\text{-bins of largest cluster}$



⇒ less aging dependent

⇒ highly cooperative

History Dependence



\Rightarrow aging dependent

- 1st t-window:

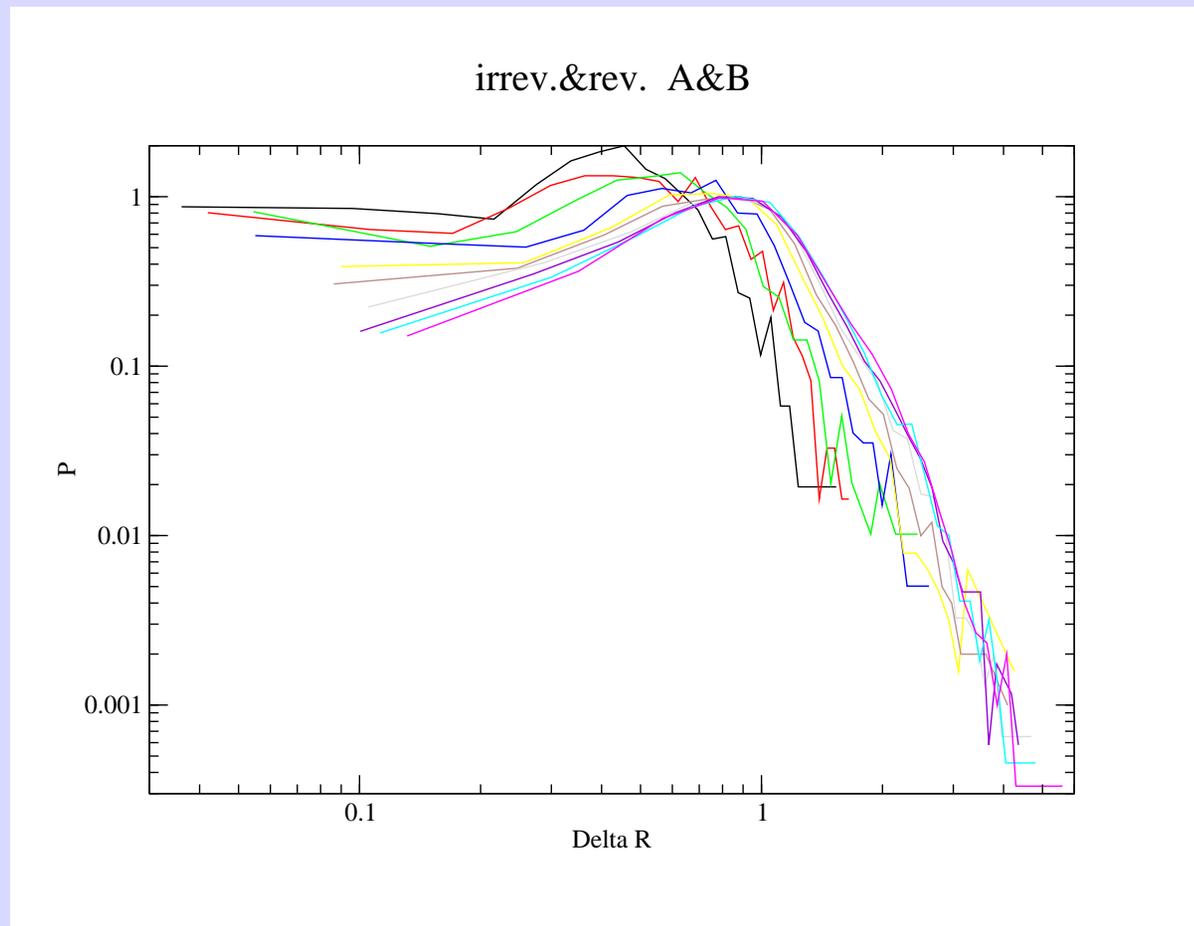
highly cooperative

- 2nd - 5th t-window:

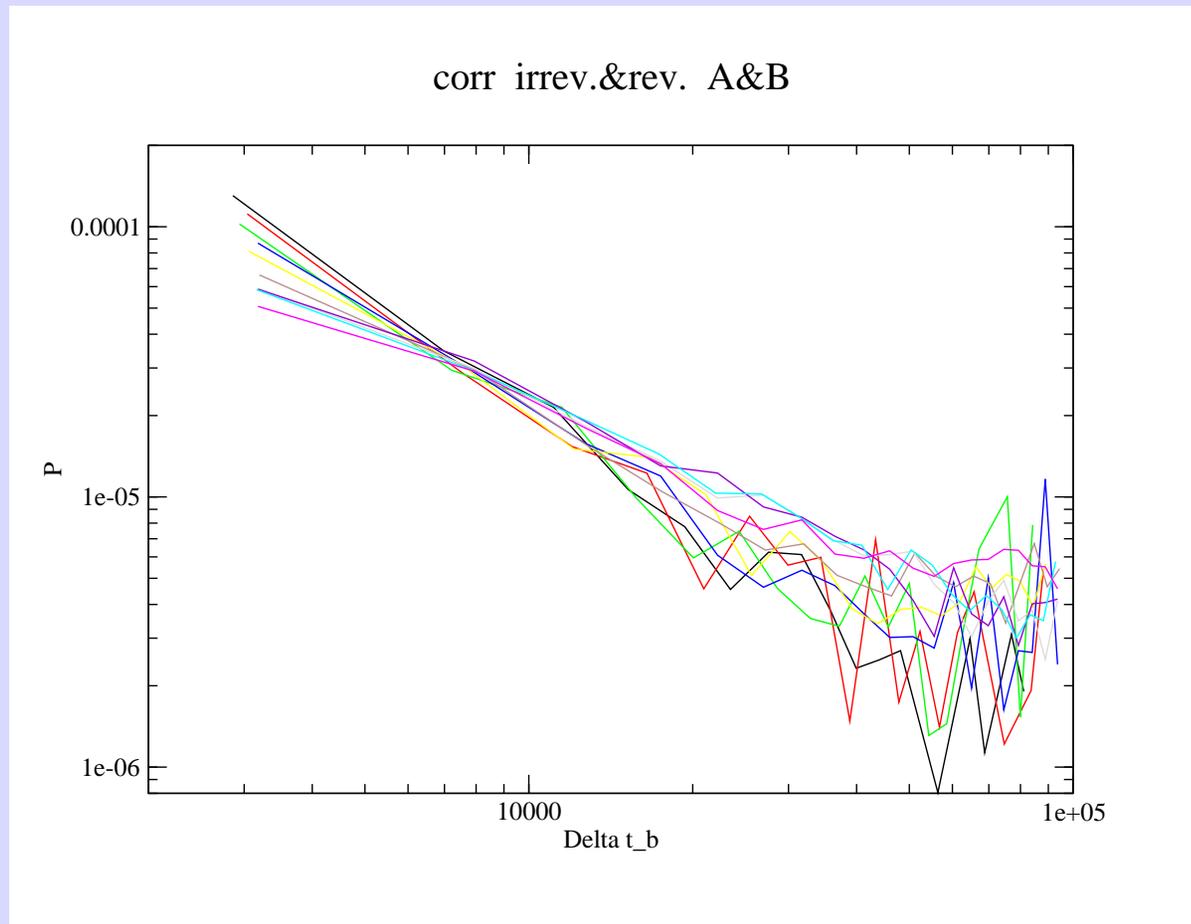
same, cooperative

s_{bcl} simult. jump.

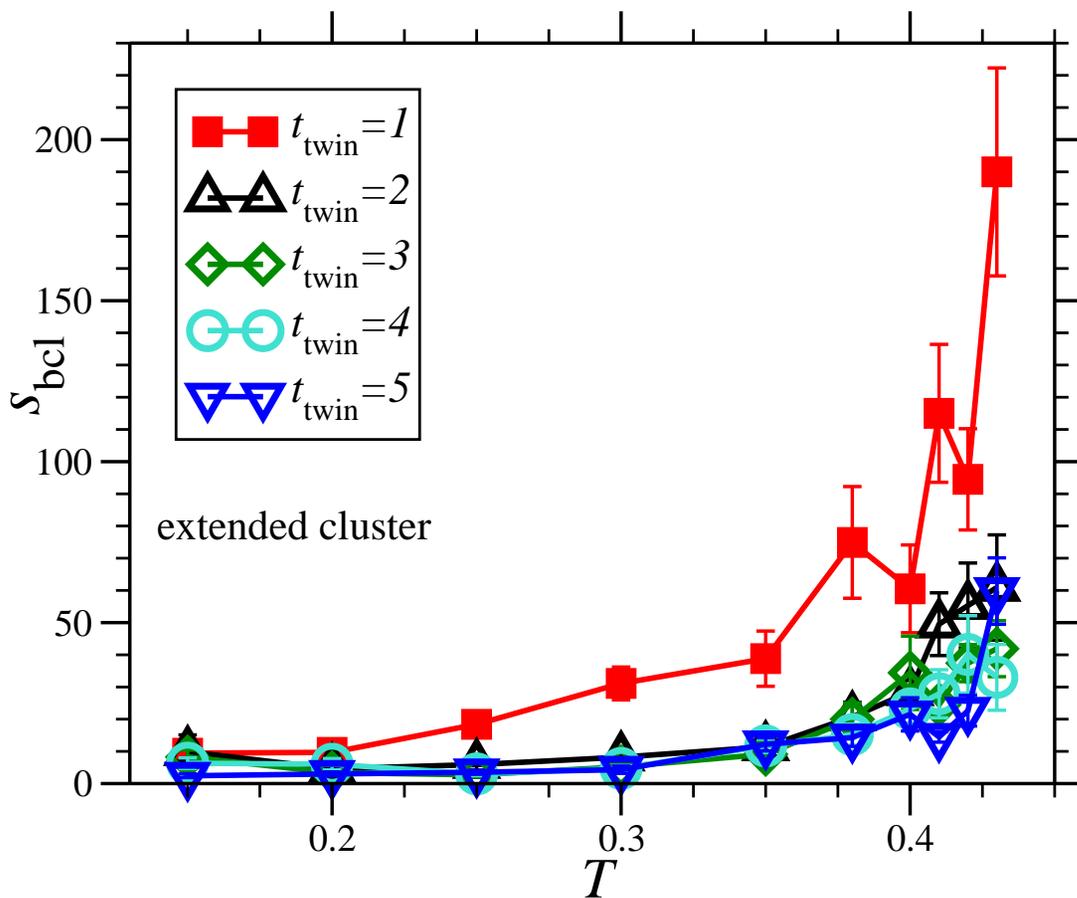
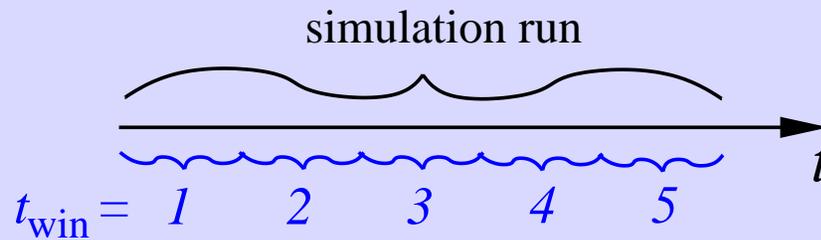
Jump Size Distribution



Distribution of Δt_b



History Dependence



\Rightarrow aging dependent

- 1st t-window:

highly cooperative

- 2nd - 5th t-window:

same, cooperative

s_{bcl} simult. jump.

Time Scales

- one MD step: 0.02 time units, Ar: $3 \cdot 10^{-13} \text{s} \cdot 0.02 = 6 \text{fs}$
- one oscillation: 100 MD steps, 0.6 ps
- time a jump takes: 200 MD steps, 1.2 ps
- time resolution (time bin): 40000 MD steps, 240 ps
- time betw. successive jumps Δt_b : $1.5 \cdot 10^6$ MD steps, 9 ns
- whole simulation run: $5 \cdot 10^6$ MD steps, 30 ns

Time Scales

Cooperative Processes: $N_{t,bcl}$

