Off-equilibrium spin glass dynamics with the Janus computer

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The Janus computer

- Janus is a custom built computing system:
 - Massively parallel Made of FPGAs Made of modules
- Designed with spin glasses in mind, but reconfigurable.

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Our simulations



The model and our parameters

• $\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle} J_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}} \sigma_{\mathbf{x}} \sigma_{\mathbf{y}}, \quad P(J_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) = \delta(J_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}^2 - 1).$

• L = 80 systems for ~ 100 samples ($T = T_c, 0.8, 0.7, 0.6$).

- We follow the system for 10^{11} Monte Carlo steps (~ 0.1 s).
- PC wall-clock: \gtrsim 3 years, Janus: 24 days.

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- We would like an Ansatz-independent determination of ξ and a:

$$I_k(t_w) = \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}r \; r^k C_4(r, t_w)$$

then, if $C_4 \simeq r^{-a} f(r/\xi)$,

$$\xi_{k,k+1}(t_{\mathsf{w}}) = I_{k+1}(t_{\mathsf{w}})/I_k(t_{\mathsf{w}}) \propto \xi(t_{\mathsf{w}}), \quad (\text{for } \xi \ll L)$$

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$$C_4(r, t_w) \sim r^{-a} f(t/\xi(t_w)) \implies I_1(t_w) \propto \xi_{k,k+1}^{2-a}(t_w).$$

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We plot $\xi_{1,2}$ vs. I_1 : a(0.8) = 0.442(11) a(0.7) = 0.397(12) a(0.6) = 0.359(13) $a(T_c) = 0.585(12)$

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• $T < T_c$:

- Incompatible with coarsening dynamics (a = 0).
- Agreement with equilibrium results (Marinari & Parisi, 2001).
- $a(T_c)$ 2.5 SD below the FSS estimate a = 0.625(10).

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• We find non-coarsening dynamics even for experimental times.

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Next steps

- We are running equilibrium simulations with parallel tempering to study *T* < *T*_c.
- P(q), ultrametricity, temperature chaos, etc.