

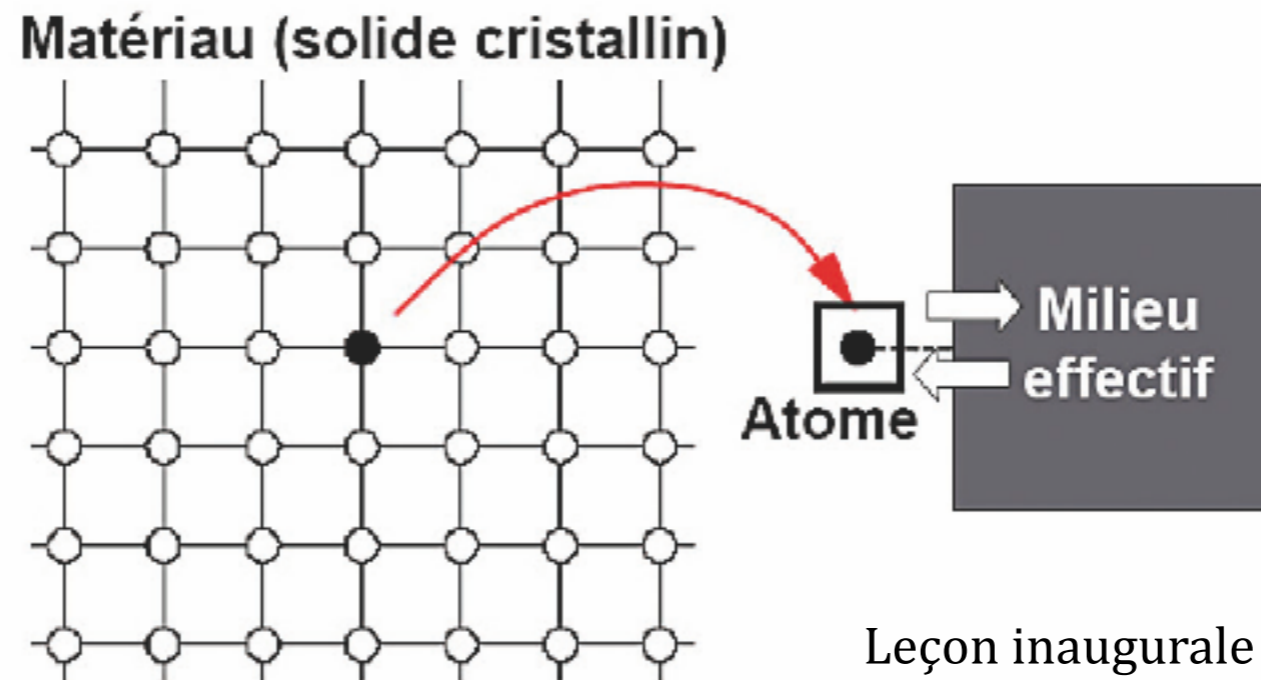
# Dynamical Mean-Field Theory in Statistical Physics: Glassy Dynamics, Ecosystems and Inter-Disciplinary Applications

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# Dynamical Mean Field Theory in Strongly Correlated Electrons



- ◆ DMFT for the Hubbard Model: theory of the Mott transition
- ◆ Cluster extension of DMFT
  - theory of high-T<sub>c</sub> superconductors
  - first principle methods for strongly correlated materials

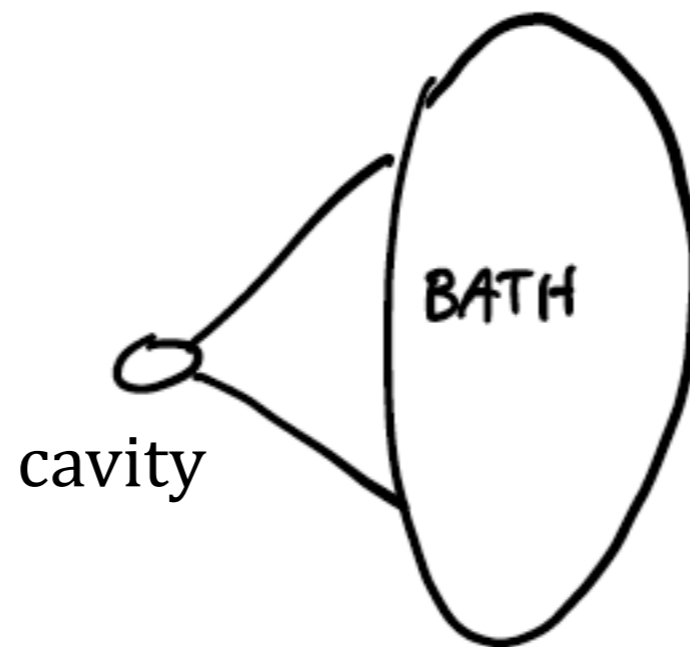
*Antoine Georges 2019 lectures*

# Outline

- The basis of DMFT in classical statistical physics:
  - thermal bath
  - self-consistency
  
- Applications of Dynamical Mean Field Theory:
  - Aging dynamics in spin-glasses
  - Theory of the glass transition
  - Chaotic dynamics in ecosystems

# The two key ingredients of DMFT

1. Identify the correct degree of freedom and treat the rest of the system as a bath
2. The bath is statistically identical to the singled-out degree of freedom: self-consistency



# An intermezzo on thermal baths

## Coupling to a thermal bath

$$H = H_{\text{Syst}} + H_{\text{Env}} + H_{\text{Int}}$$



$$H_{\text{Syst}} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V(x)$$

$$H_{\text{Env}} = \sum_{\kappa} \frac{p_{\kappa}^2}{2} + \frac{\omega_{\kappa}^2}{2} Q_{\kappa}^2$$

$$H_{\text{I}} = - \sum_{\kappa} \gamma_{\kappa} Q_{\kappa} x$$

# Thermal bath

$$\frac{d^2 Q_k}{dt^2} = -\omega_k^2 Q_k + \gamma_k X(t) ; m \frac{d^2 X}{dt^2} = -V'(x) + \sum_k \gamma_k Q_k$$

$$m \frac{d^2 X}{dt^2} + \underbrace{\int_0^t K(t-s) \dot{X}(s) ds}_{\text{Dissipation: friction}} = -V'(x) - \underbrace{V_{eff}'(x)}_{\text{Noise: Gaussian force}} + \xi(t)$$

Dissipation: friction

Noise: Gaussian force

$$\langle \xi(t) \xi(t') \rangle = k_B T K(t-t')$$

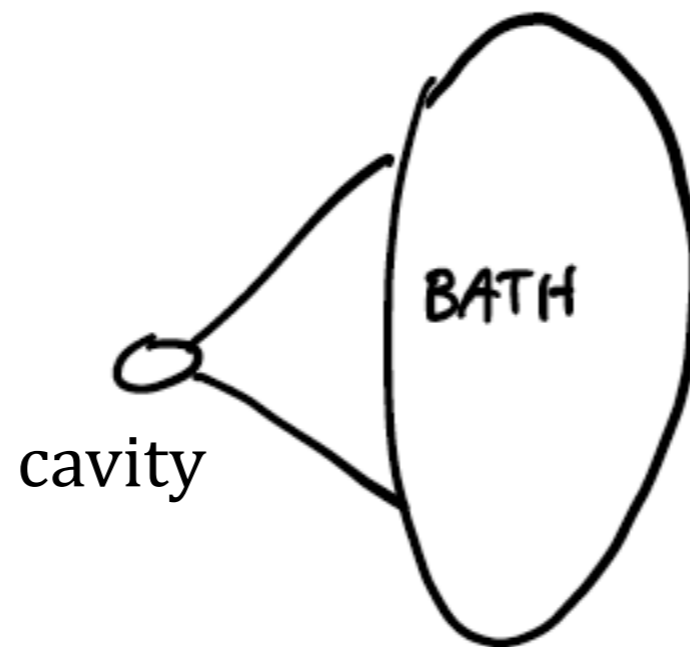
$$K(t) = \sum_k \frac{\gamma_k^2}{\omega_k^2} \cos(\omega_k t)$$

$$V_{eff}(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_k \frac{\gamma_k^2}{\omega_k^2} x^2$$

From Newton to Langevin with *generalized friction* and *thermal noise*

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## An example: mean-field spin glasses

$$\dot{S}_i = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial S_i} + \sum_{k(\neq i)} J_{ik} S_k + \xi_i(t) \quad N \gg 1$$

$$\overline{J_{ik}^2} = \frac{1}{N}; \quad V(S) = (S^2 - 1)^2; \quad \langle \xi_i(t) \xi_k(t') \rangle = 2T J_{ik} \delta(t - t')$$

$$\dot{S}_k = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial S_k} + \sum_{e(\neq k, i)} J_{ke} S_e + J_{ki} S_i + \xi_k(t)$$

Solve the dynamics of the “bath” as a function of the cavity



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Noise: Gaussian force

Dissipation: Onsager reaction term

$$\dot{S}_i(t) - \int_0^t ds R(t, s) S_i(s) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial S_i} + \xi_i(t) + \eta_i(t)$$

Self-consistency

$$\underline{R(t, s)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k \left. \frac{\delta S_k(t)}{\delta h_k(s)} \right|_{h_k=0}$$

$$\langle \eta_i(t) \eta_i(s) \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_k S_k(t) S_k(s) = \underline{C(t, s)}$$

# DMFT in statistical physics

1. Identify the correct degree of freedom and treat the rest of the system as a bath

The effect on the cavity on the rest of the system treated at first order in perturbation theory

Generalized friction kernel and thermal noise

2. The bath is statistically identical to the singled out degree of freedom: self-consistency



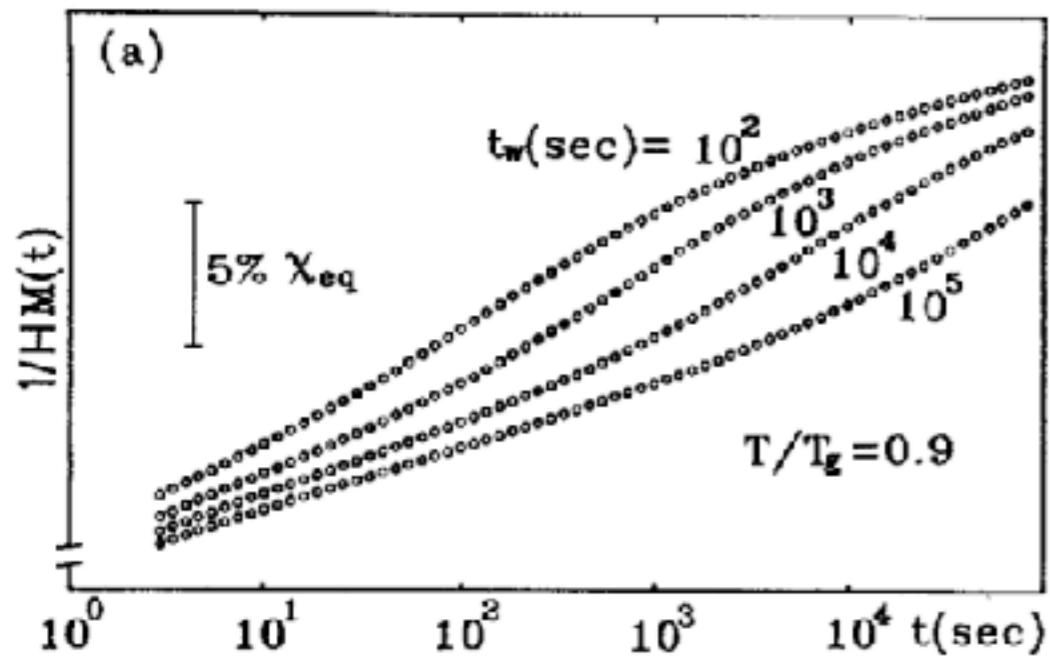
Sompolinsky, Zippelius PRB 1982  
Mézard, Parisi, Virasoro, Spin Glass and Beyond

Quantum: Georges, Kotliar, Krauth, Rozenberg, RMP 1996

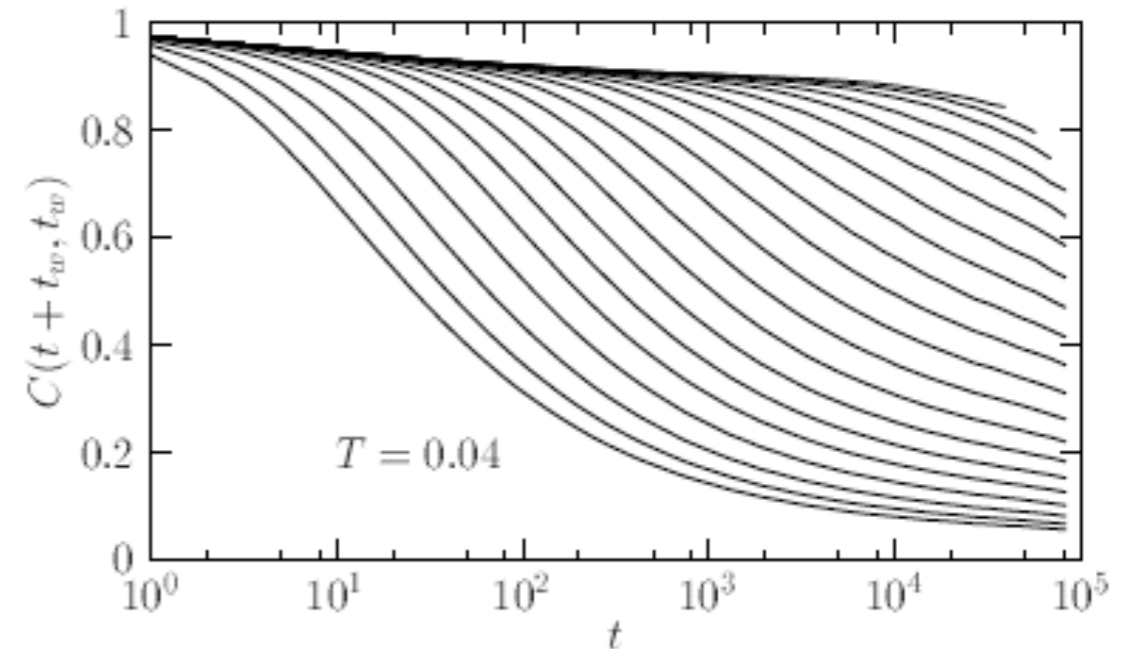
# Applications

# Aging in spin-glasses

At low temperature spin-glasses display a very slow off-equilibrium dynamics



Zero-Field cooled susceptibility from Zeidlindh et al PRB 87



Heisenberg spin-glass from Berthier Young PRB 04

# Aging DMFT

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$$\langle \eta_i(t) \eta_i(s) \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\kappa} S_{\kappa}(t) S_{\kappa}(s) = \underline{C}(t,s)$$

**Equilibrium dynamics:** R and C are related by FDT and time-translation invariant

**Aging dynamics:** R and C are slow, the thermal bath is aging together with the system

# Aging DMFT

- Ergodicity breaking transition: the system remains always out of equilibrium below  $T_c$

Cugliandolo, Kurchan, PRL 1993;...  
Franz, Mezard 1994,...

- Infinite hierarchy of time-scales and time-sectors: effective temperatures out of equilibrium, and dynamical version of Parisi Full Replica Symmetry Breaking

Cugliandolo, Kurchan PRB 1994; JPSJ 2000,...

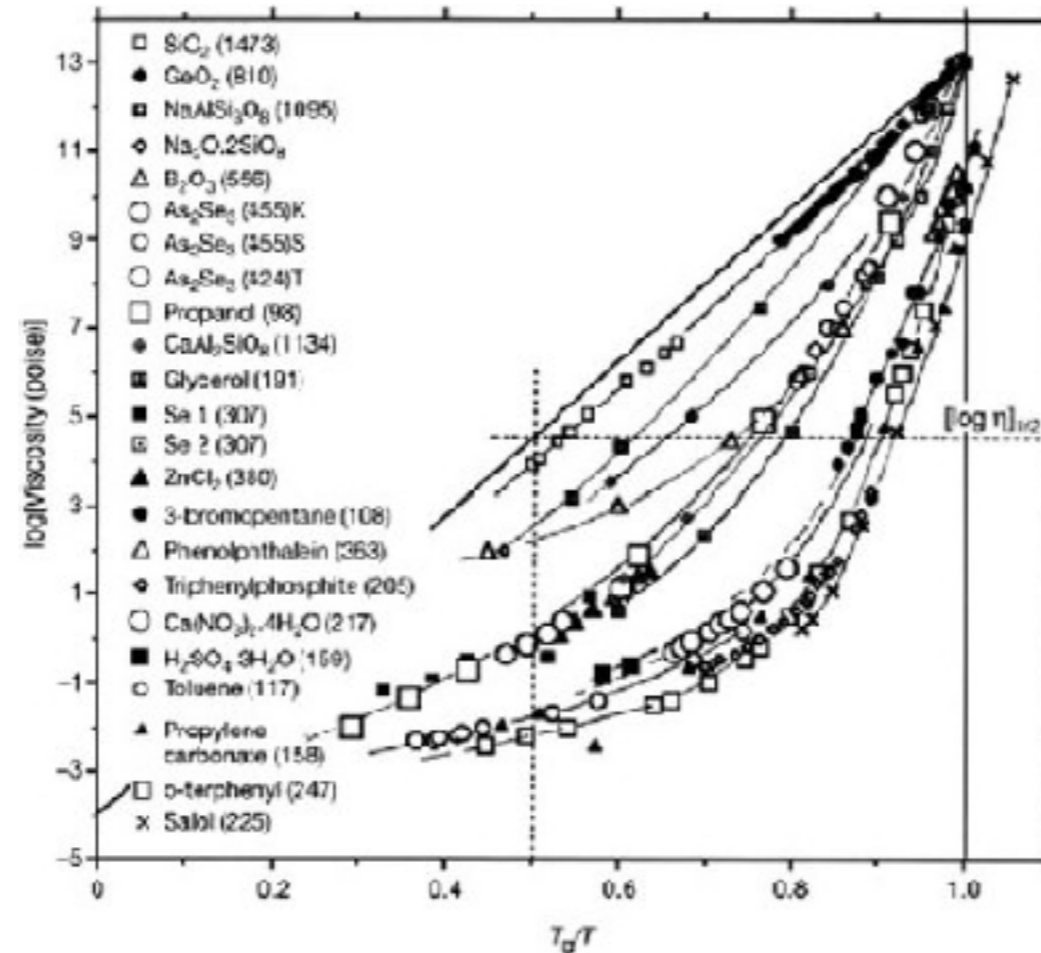
Altieri, Cammarota, Biroli J. Phys. A 2020

- Generalisation to quantum systems

Cugliandolo, Lozano PRB 1999  
Biroli, Parcollet PRB 2002

# DMFT of the glass transition

Molecular liquids display a dramatic slowing down associated to the glass transition



The relaxation time increases by 14 orders of magnitude

# DMFT of the glass transition

$$H = \sum_i \frac{P_i^2}{2m} + \sum_{\langle i \neq j \rangle} V(R_i - R_j)$$

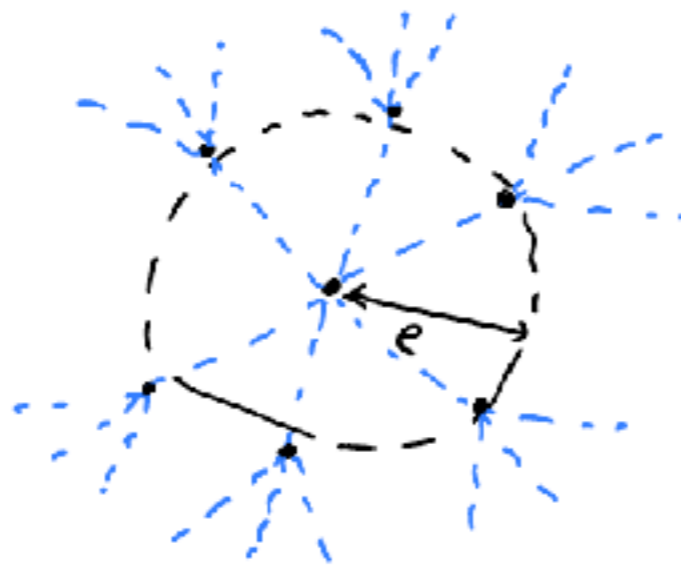
$$m \ddot{R}_i = - \sum_{j \neq i} \nabla V(R_i - R_j)$$

Large dimensional limit

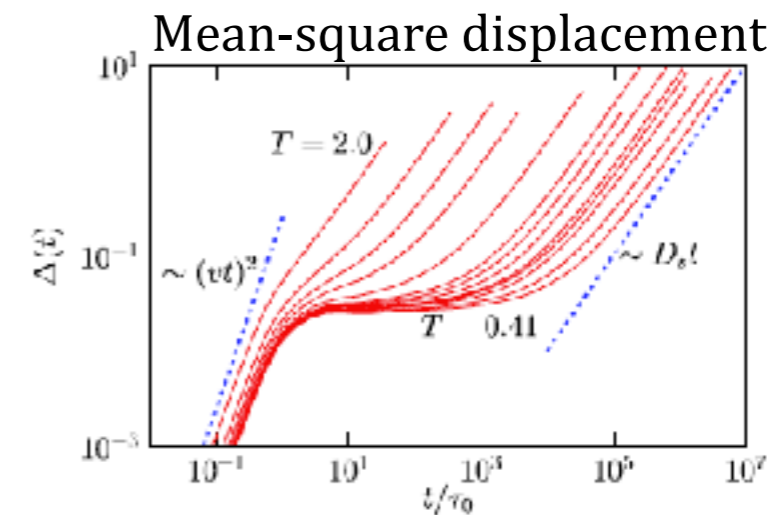
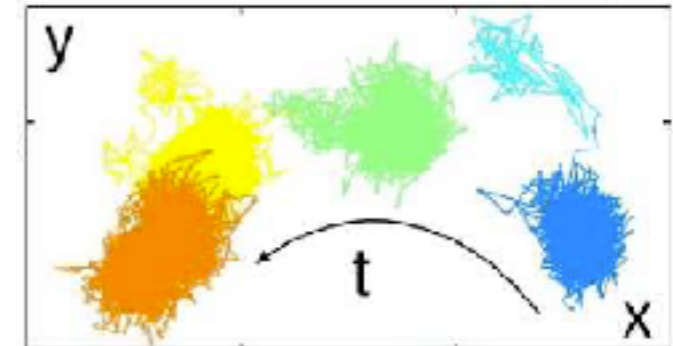
$$d \rightarrow \infty \quad U_i(t) = R_i(t) - R_i(0)$$

$$V(R) = \bar{V} \left( d \left( \frac{R}{e} - 1 \right) \right)$$

$$U_i^2 \sim \frac{1}{d}$$



N interacting particles  
in the continuum



Berthier, Biroli RMP 2011

Cavity degree of freedom

$$U_{i\alpha}(t)$$

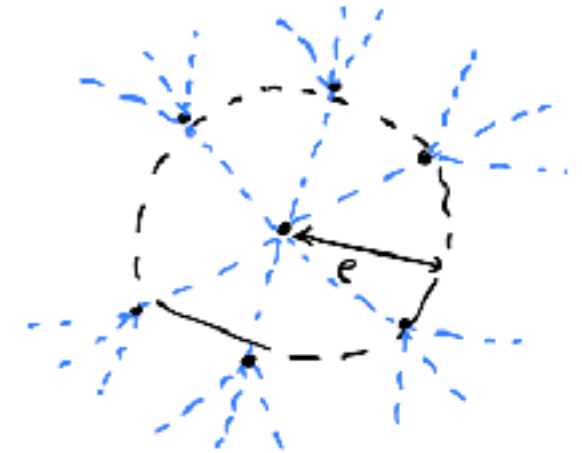


# DMFT of the glass transition

The rest of the system acts like a thermal bath

$$m \ddot{U}_{i,\alpha}(t) = F_{i\alpha}(t) - \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^t K(t-s) \dot{U}_{i\alpha}(s) ds$$

$$\langle F_{i\alpha}(t) F_{i\alpha}(t') \rangle = K(t-t')$$



Self-consistency

$$m \ddot{U}_{i, \beta_{i3}} = - \nabla_{\beta_{i3}} V(R_i(t) - R_3(t)) + F_{i, \beta_{i3}}(t) - \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^t K(t-s) \dot{U}_{i, \beta_{i3}}(s) ds$$

$$m \ddot{U}_{3, \beta_{i3}} = - \nabla_{\beta_{i3}} V(R_3(t) - R_i(t)) + F_{3, \beta_{i3}}(t) - \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^t K(t-s) \dot{U}_{3, \beta_{i3}}(s) ds$$

$$K(t-t') = \sum_3 \langle \nabla_{\beta_{i3}} V(R_i(t) - R_3(t)) \cdot \nabla_{\beta_{i3}} V(R_i(t') - R_3(t')) \rangle$$

# DMFT of the glass transition

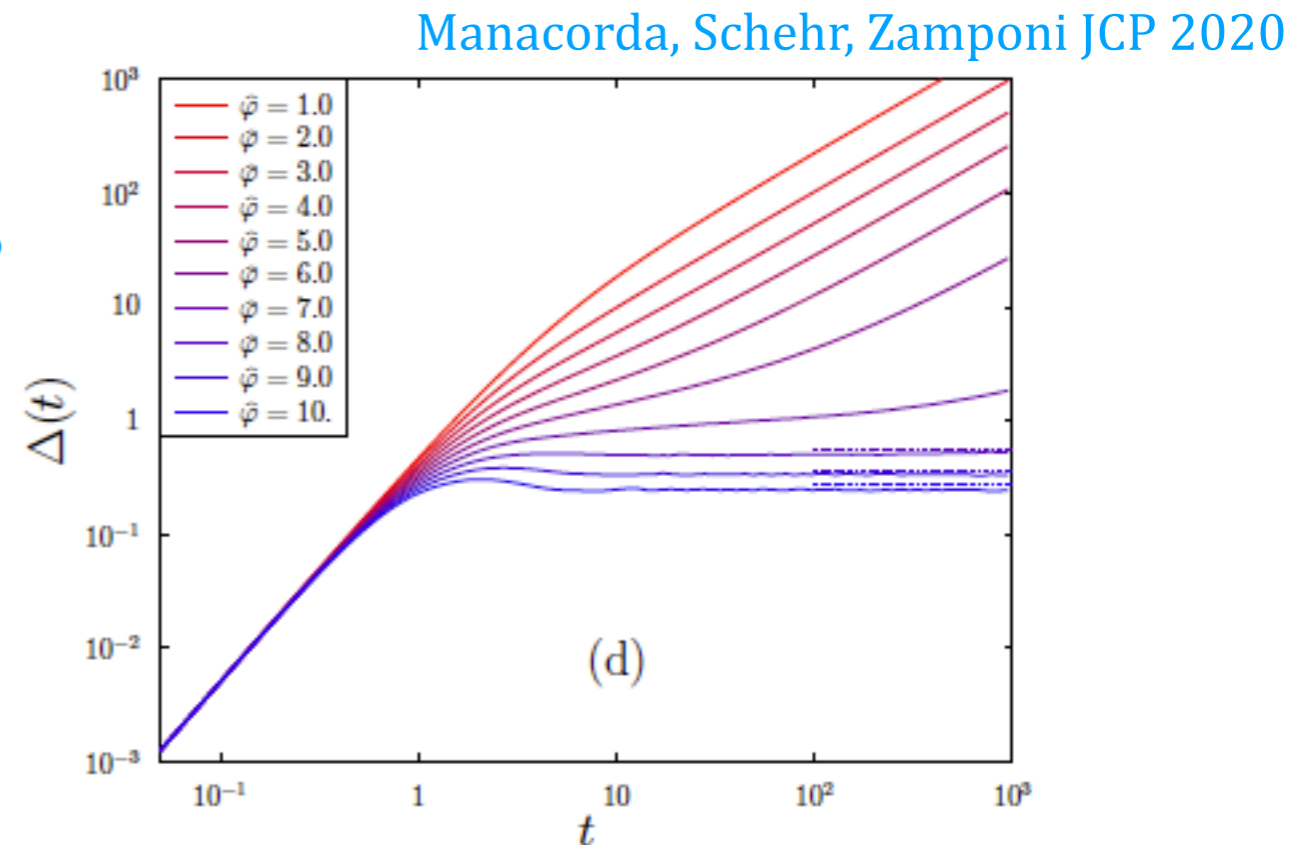
- Exact solution of infinite-d many particle dynamics

Maimbourg, Kurchan, Zamponi PRL 2016

- Glass transition at  $T_d$  with the same properties of Mode-Coupling theory

Maimbourg, Kurchan, Zamponi PRL 2016

- Detailed description of glassy dynamics but fails to obtain super-Arrhenius behavior (non-perturbative in  $1/d$ )



Perspective: cluster extension to obtain a full description of glassy dynamics

Chen, Biroli, Reichman, Szamel 2021

# DMFT for many-species ecosystems

“Traditional” ecosystems



“Modern” ecosystems



## MANY INTERACTING SPECIES

- Communities formed by individuals belonging to different species.
- Interactions between individuals intra and inter species.
- Competition for resources--Cooperation.
- Abundances of species vary dynamically due to the births and deaths.

## Many interesting open questions

- Can endogenous fluctuations survive in a large interacting ecosystem?

*Endogenous versus exogenous fluctuations*

“Are ecological systems chaotic—and if not, why not?” Berryman, Millstein 1989

# DMFT of large ecosystems

$$\frac{dN_i}{dt} = N_i \left[ r_i (k_i - N_i) - \sum_{j \neq i} \alpha_{ij} N_j \right] + \lambda_i$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N \quad (N \gg 1) ; N_i \geq 0$$

Mean-Field  
Version

$$\overline{\alpha_{ij}^2}^c = \frac{\sigma^2}{N} ; \quad \overline{\alpha_{ij} \alpha_{ji}}^c = \gamma \frac{\sigma^2}{N} ; \quad \overline{\alpha_{ij}} = \frac{\mu}{S}$$

Bunin, PRE 2017  
Barbier et al PNAS 2018

$$\frac{dN_i}{dt} = N_i \left[ r_i (k_i - N_i) - \underbrace{\mu m(t) + \gamma \sigma^2 \int_0^t R(t,s) N_i(s) ds + \eta_i(t)}_{\text{"bath"}} \right] + \lambda_i$$

Self-consistency

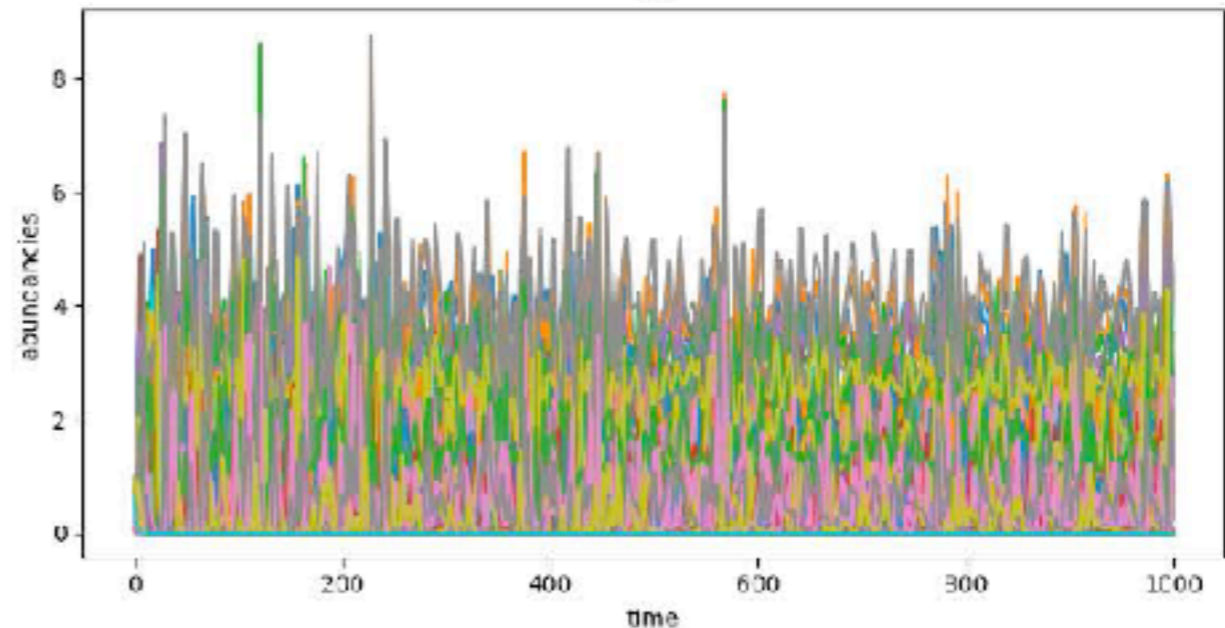
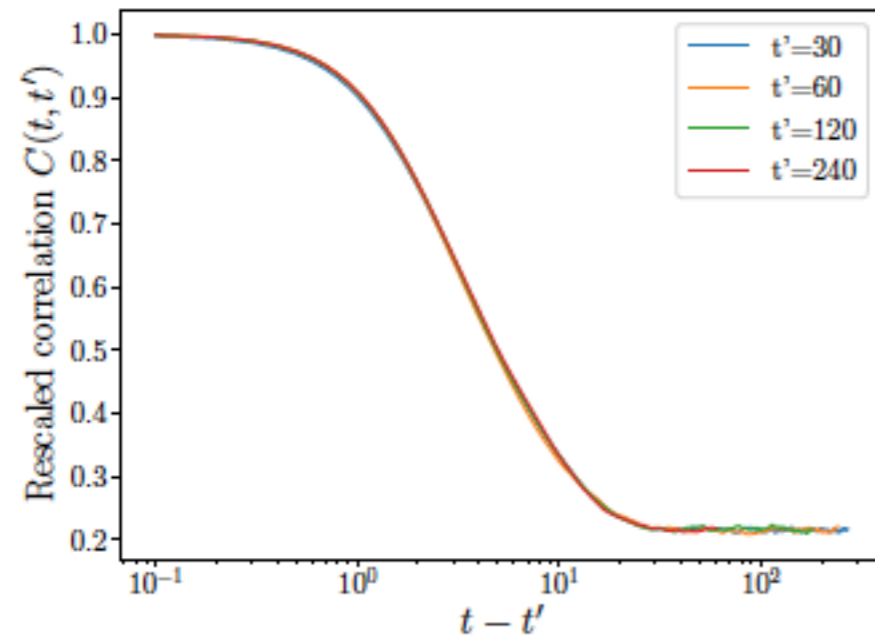
$$\langle \eta_i(t) \eta_i(s) \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_S N_S(t) N_S(t')$$

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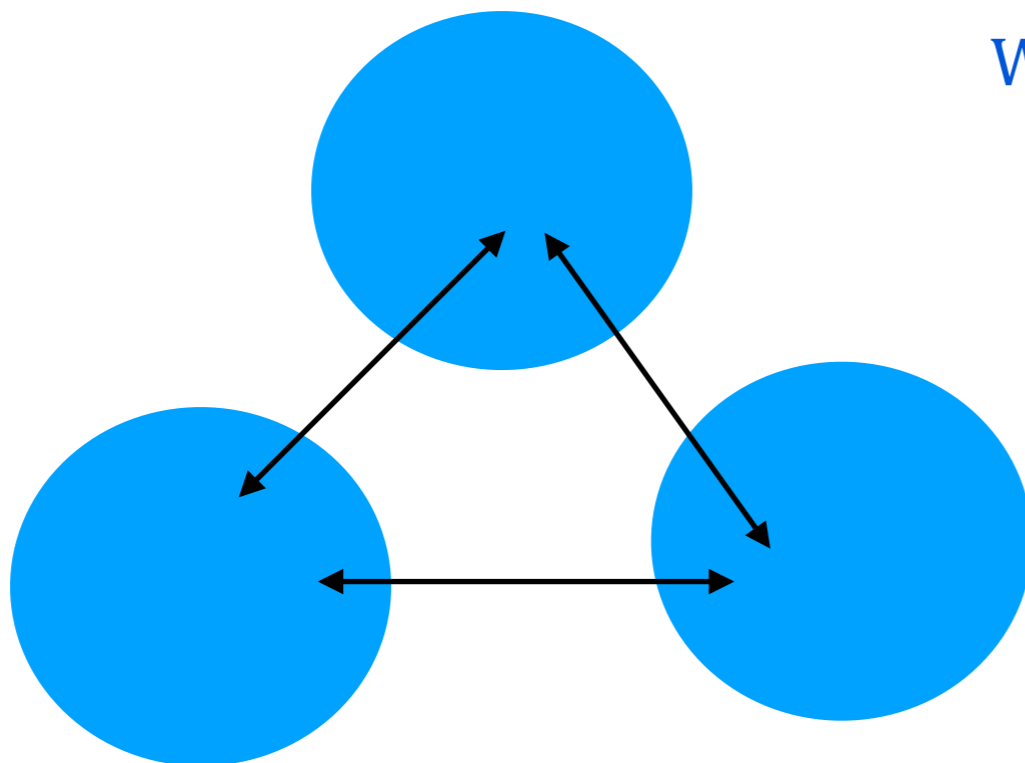
$$m(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_S N_S(t)$$

# Chaos & Endogeneous fluctuations

Transition from one equilibrium phase to Stable high-dimensional chaos with immigration



Roy, Bunin, Biroli, Cammarota, JPA 2019



Without migration chaos is metastable for many communities and with diffusion

Roy, Barbier, Biroli, Bunin PLOS 2020

D. S. Fisher, A. Agarwala, M. Pearce PNAS 2019

# Conclusion

DMFT in classical statistical physics: a powerful method to analyze and unveil complex dynamical phenomena

## Many different applications

- Aging dynamics in spin-glasses
- Very slow relaxation and glass transition
- Complex phenomena in large interacting ecosystems
- Chaos in recurrent neural networks
- Optimization algorithms in computer science