

The TN formalism for physical aging

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Supercooled liquid \leftrightarrow Glass

Liquid: Metastable equilibrium, given by p and T : No memory

Glass: Out-of-equilibrium state, often formed by cooling

Any glass is continuously relaxing toward the liquid state
[Tammann, Simon, 1920s and 1930s]

- “PHYSICAL AGING”

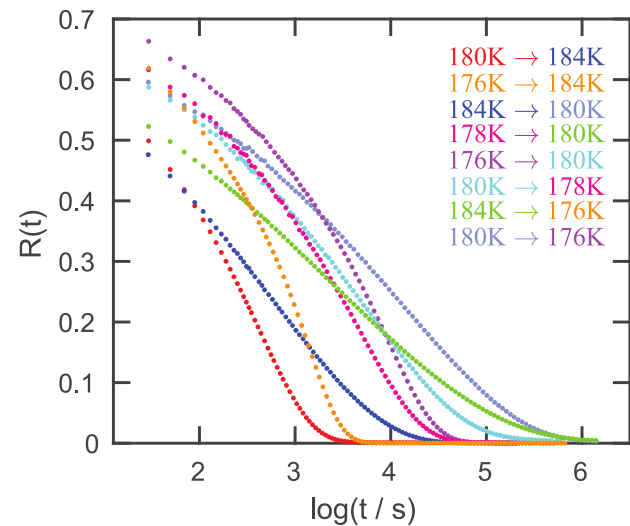
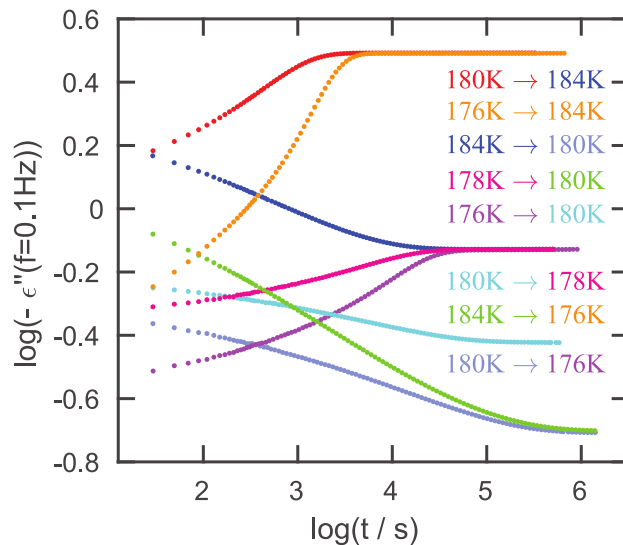
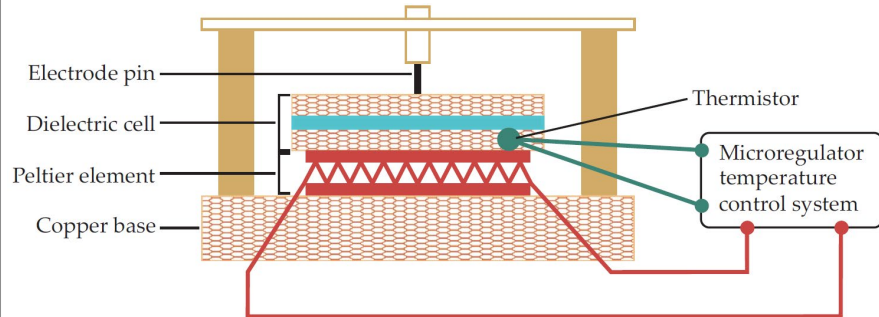
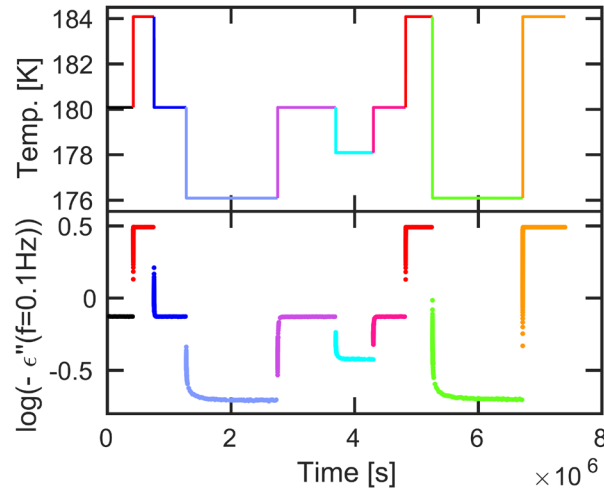
Aging characteristics:

- Relaxation “stretching” after T jump magnitude dependent
- Ritland-Kovacs crossover effect ...



Glycerol data

[L. A. Roed *et al.*, J. Chem. Phys. **150**, 044501 (2019)]



The material time

[O. S. Narayanaswamy, J. Amer. Ceram. Soc. **54**, 491 (1971)]

A Model of Structural Relaxation in Glass

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$$R(t) = \phi(\xi)$$

for all temperature jumps



Single-parameter aging

[T. Hecksher *et al.*, J. Chem. Phys. **142**, 241103 (2015); PNAS **116**, 16736 (2019)]

$$R(t) = \phi(\xi) \quad \dot{R} = \phi'(\xi)\gamma(t) \quad d\xi = \gamma(t) dt$$

$$\dot{R} = -F(R) \gamma(t)$$

$$\Delta X \equiv X - X_{\text{eq}} = c_1(Q - Q_{\text{eq}})$$

$$\ln \gamma - \ln \gamma_{\text{eq}} = c_2(Q - Q_{\text{eq}})$$

$$\gamma(t) = \gamma_{\text{eq}} \exp\left(a \frac{\Delta X(0)}{X_{\text{eq}}} R(t)\right)$$



Single-parameter aging II

[T. Hecksher *et al.*, J. Chem. Phys. **142**, 241103 (2015); PNAS **116**, 16736 (2019)]

$$\dot{R} = -\gamma_{\text{eq}} F(R) \exp\left(a \frac{\Delta X(0)}{X_{\text{eq}}} R\right)$$

$$R_1 = R_2$$

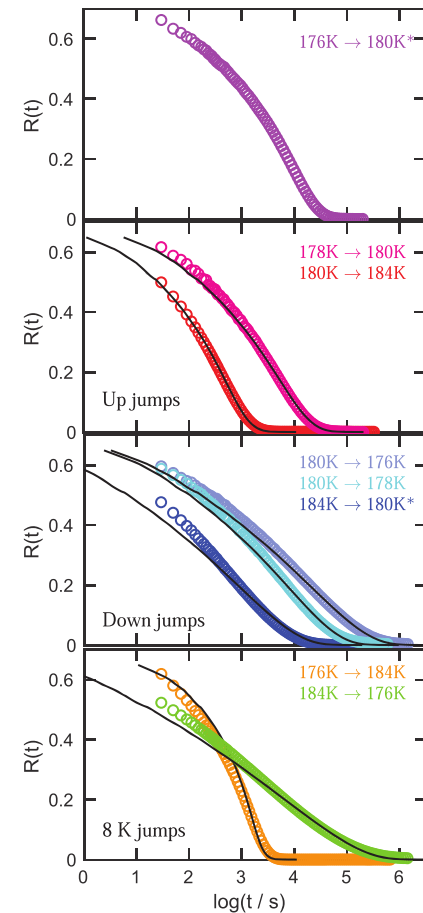
$$\frac{dR_1}{dt_1} \exp\left(-a \frac{\Delta X_1(0)}{X_{\text{eq}}} R_1\right) = \frac{dR_2}{dt_2} \exp\left(-a \frac{\Delta X_2(0)}{X_{\text{eq}}} R_2\right)$$

$$dR_1 = dR_2 \quad dt_2 = \exp(\Lambda_{12} R_1) dt_1$$

$$t_2(R) = \int_0^{t_2(R)} dt_2 = \int_0^{t_1(R)} e^{\Lambda_{12} R_1(t_1)} dt_1$$

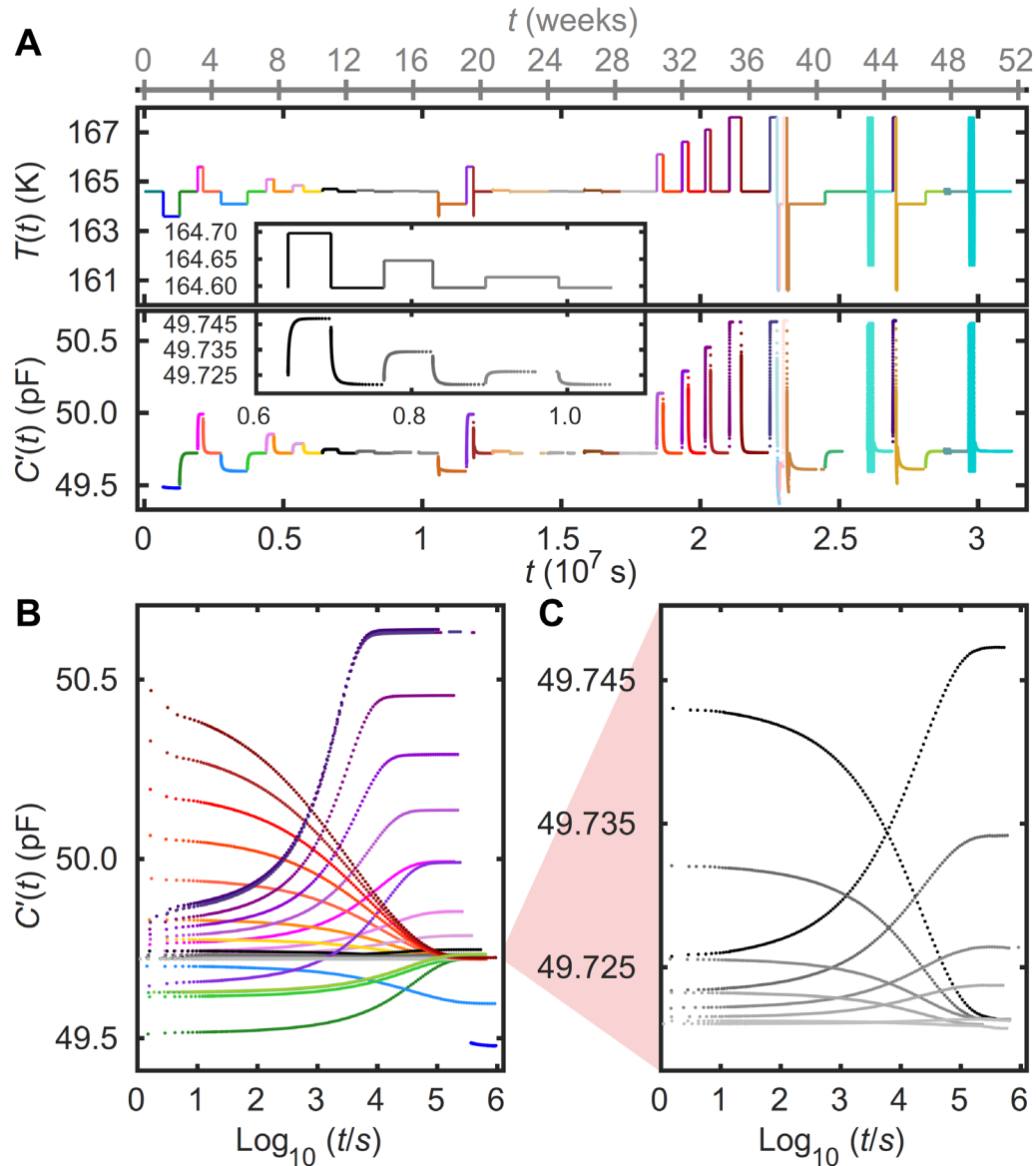


$$\int_0^\infty (e^{\Lambda_{12} R_1(t_1)} - 1) dt_1 + \int_0^\infty (e^{-\Lambda_{12} R_2(t_2)} - 1) dt_2 = 0$$

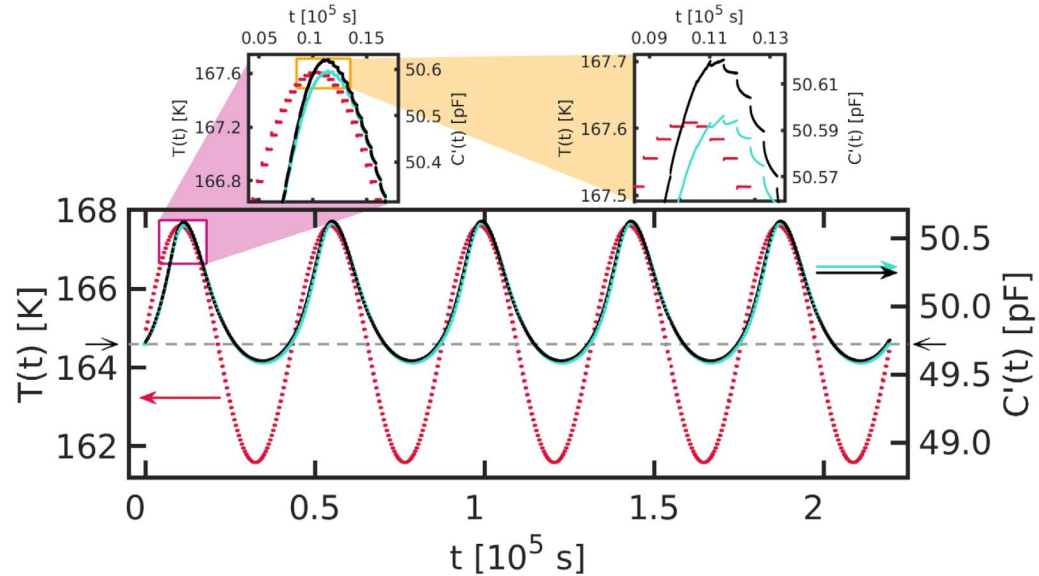
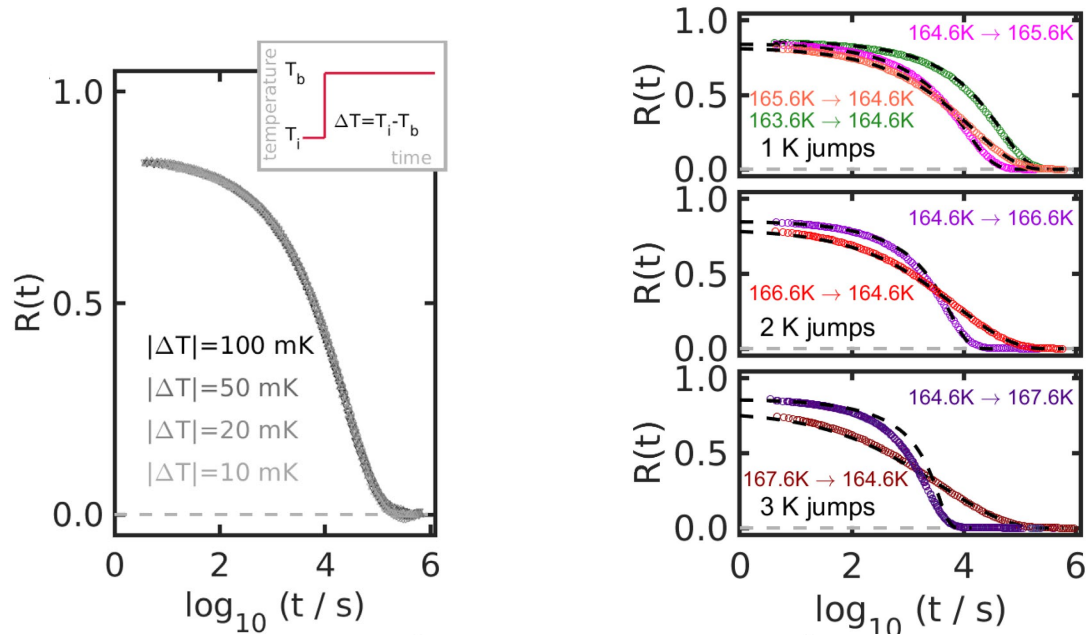


VEC aging

[B. Riechers *et al.*, *Sci. Adv.* **8**, eabl9809 (2022); 10 kHz capacitance monitored]



VEC Aging II



What is the material time?

[I. M. Douglass and J. C. Dyre, Phys. Rev. E **106**, 054615 (2022)]



“Distance-as-time” in thermal equilibrium: $R = (r_1, \dots, r_N)$
 $\langle \Delta r^2(t) \rangle = f(t)$ can be inverted into

$$t_2 - t_1 = F(d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2))$$

[Related: Haan 1979; JCD cond-mat/9712222]

“Distance-as-time” in physical aging:

$$\xi(t_2) - \xi(t_1) = F(d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2))$$

[Related: Schober 2004, 2012, 2021]



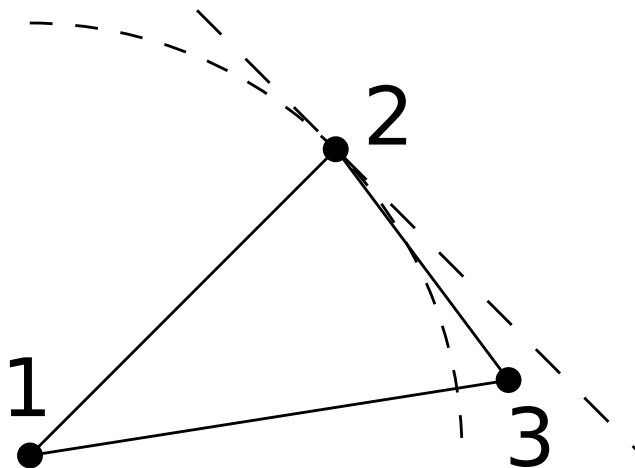
Consequence 1: “Unique-triangle property”

Suppose that $\xi(t_2) - \xi(t_1) = f(d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2))$.

Then likewise for $t_1 < t_2 < t_3$

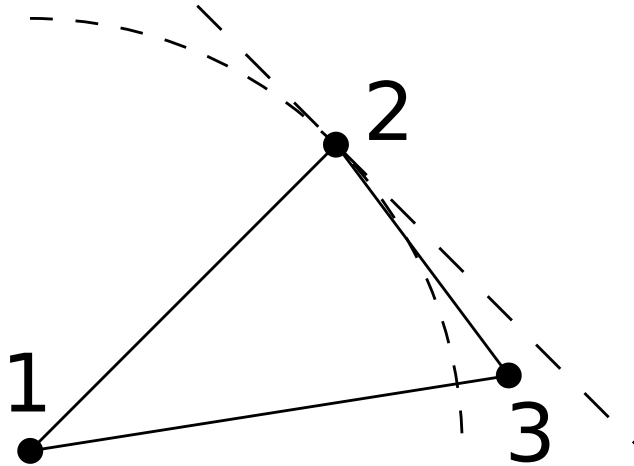
$\xi(t_3) - \xi(t_2) = f(d(\mathbf{R}_2, \mathbf{R}_3))$ and $\xi(t_3) - \xi(t_1) = f(d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_3))$.

Since $\xi(t_3) - \xi(t_1) = (\xi(t_3) - \xi(t_2)) + (\xi(t_2) - \xi(t_1))$, any two side lengths determine the third in the $\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2, \mathbf{R}_3$ triangle:



Consequence 2: “Geometric reversibility”

$$\xi(t_2) - \xi(t_1) = f(d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2))$$



$$d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_3) = F(d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2), d(\mathbf{R}_2, \mathbf{R}_3)) = F(d(\mathbf{R}_2, \mathbf{R}_3), d(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2))$$

Inherited from equilibrium.

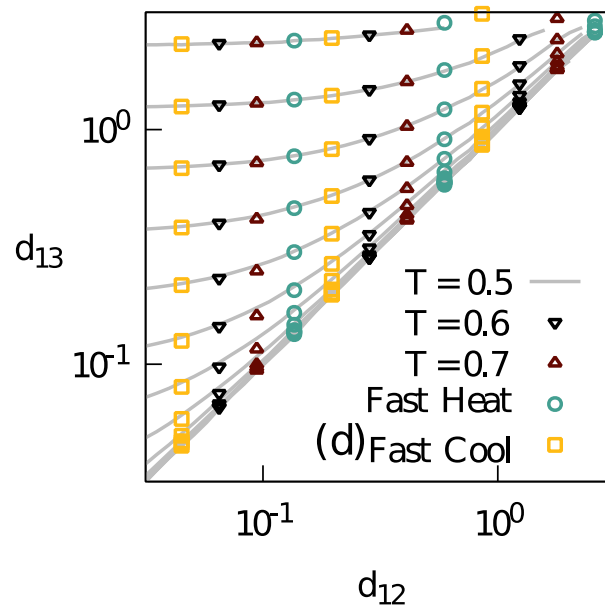
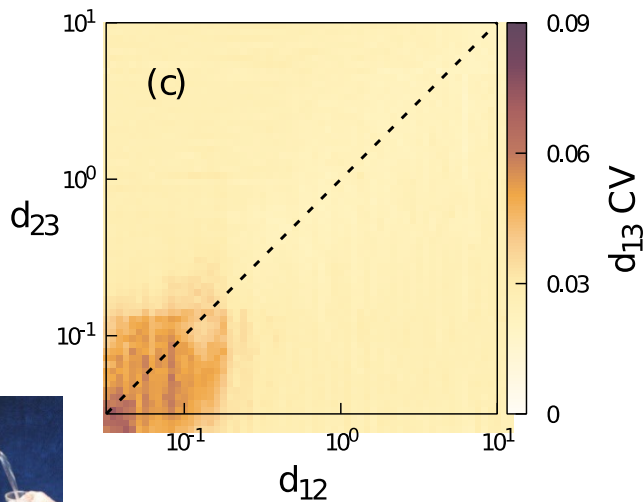
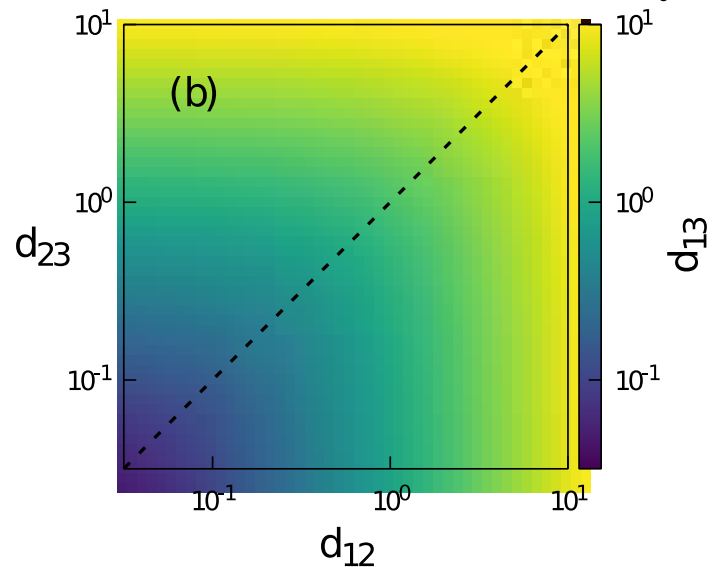
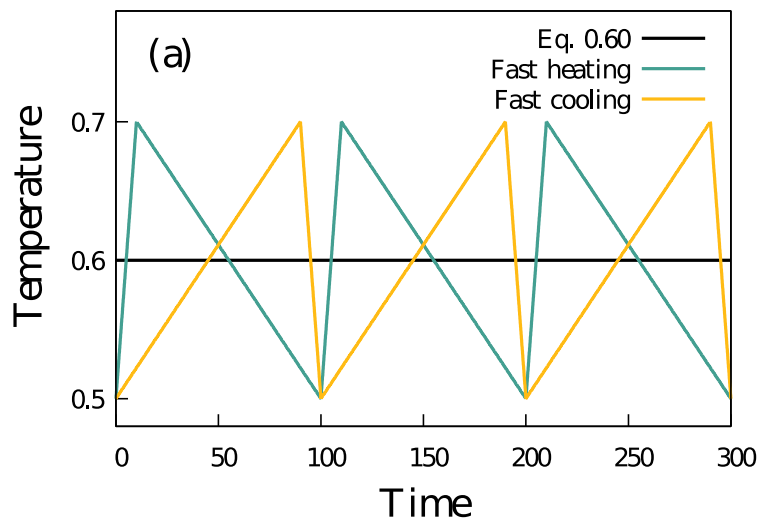
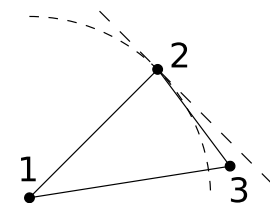
Closely related **triangular relation and commutativity**:

Kurchan & Cugliandolo, 1994

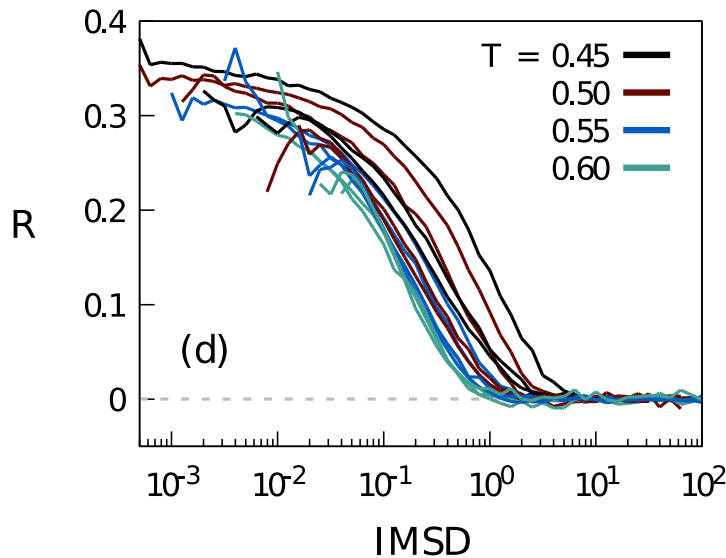
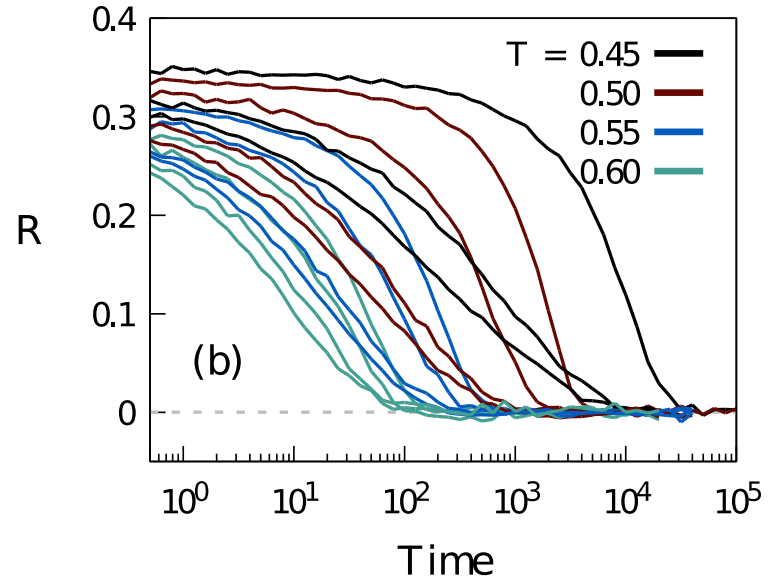
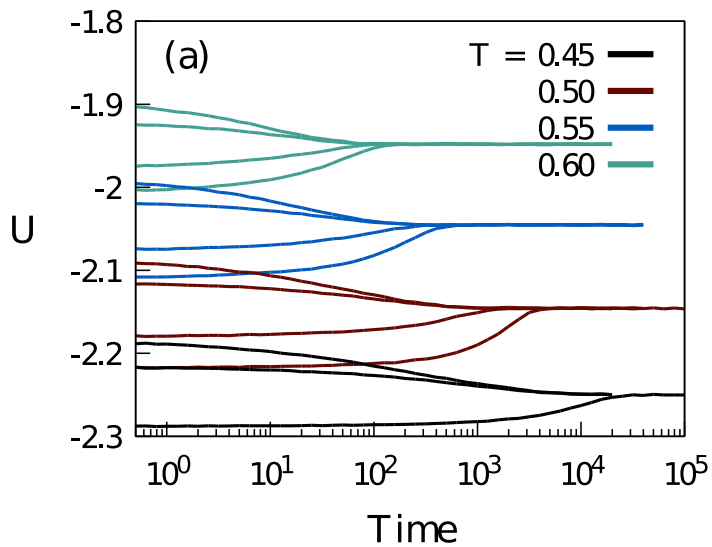
$$C_{13} = F(C_{12}, C_{23})$$



Kob-Andersen model simulations



Does $R(t) = \phi(\xi)$ apply?



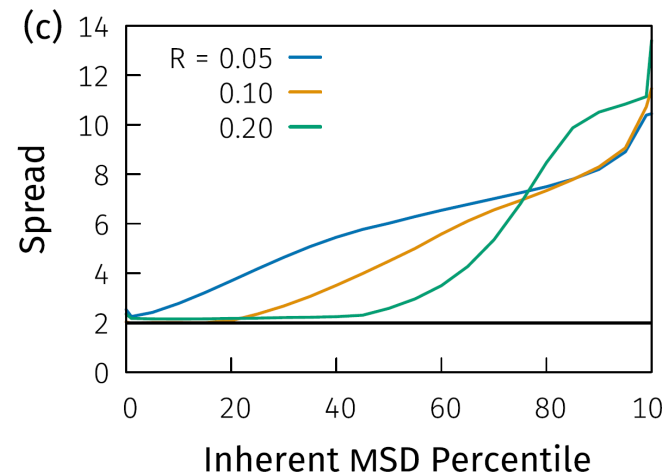
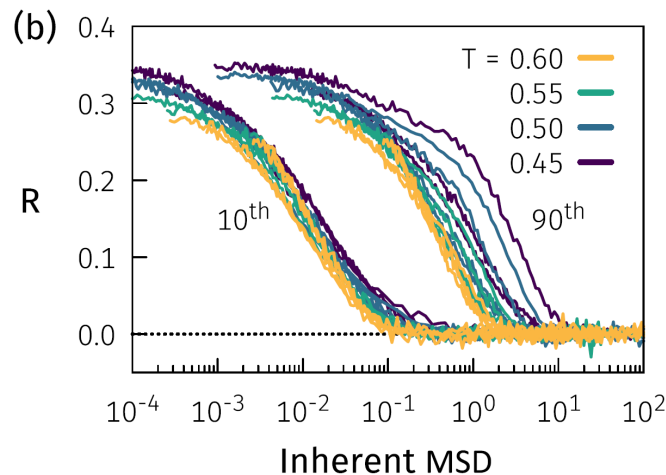
Inherent MSD



Role of dynamic heterogeneity

Fast-moving particles contribute a lot to the MSD but do not really relax the structure (leading to Stokes-Einstein relation violations).

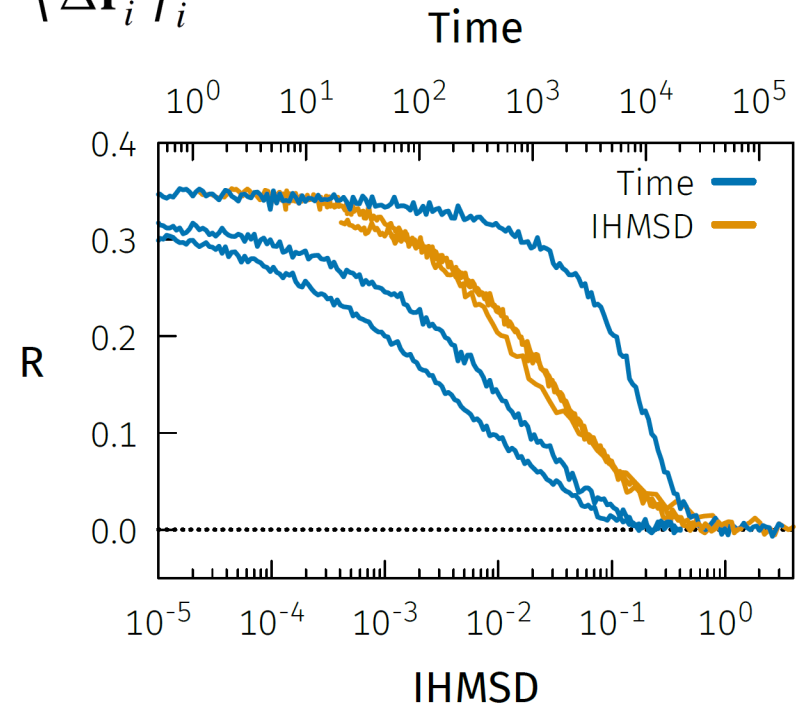
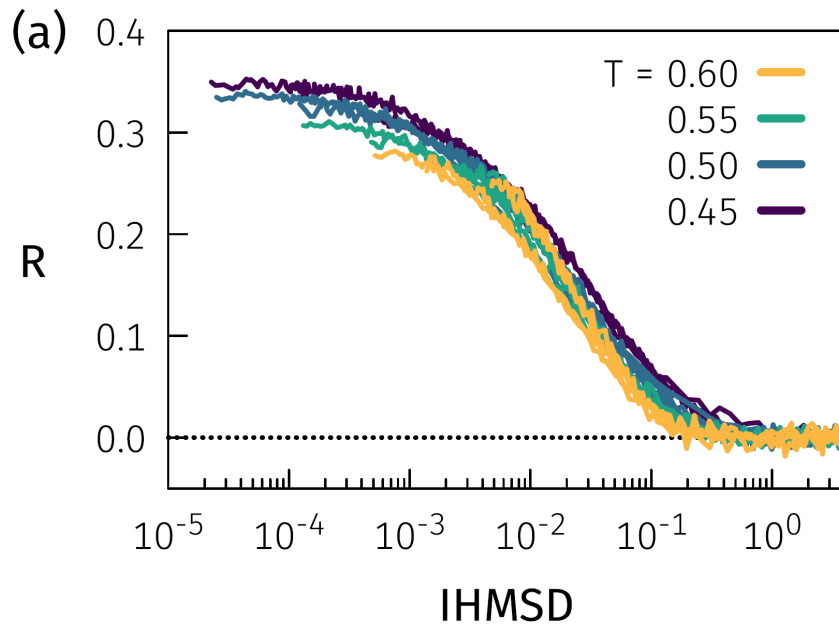
Should one define the material time in terms of the (inherent) MSD of the slowest particles? **Median square displacement** instead of MSD?



Role of dynamic heterogeneity II

Results for **Inherent harmonic mean square displacement**

$$\frac{1}{\langle \Delta \mathbf{r}^2 \rangle_{\text{IHMSD}}} \equiv \left\langle \frac{1}{\Delta \mathbf{r}_i^2} \right\rangle_i$$



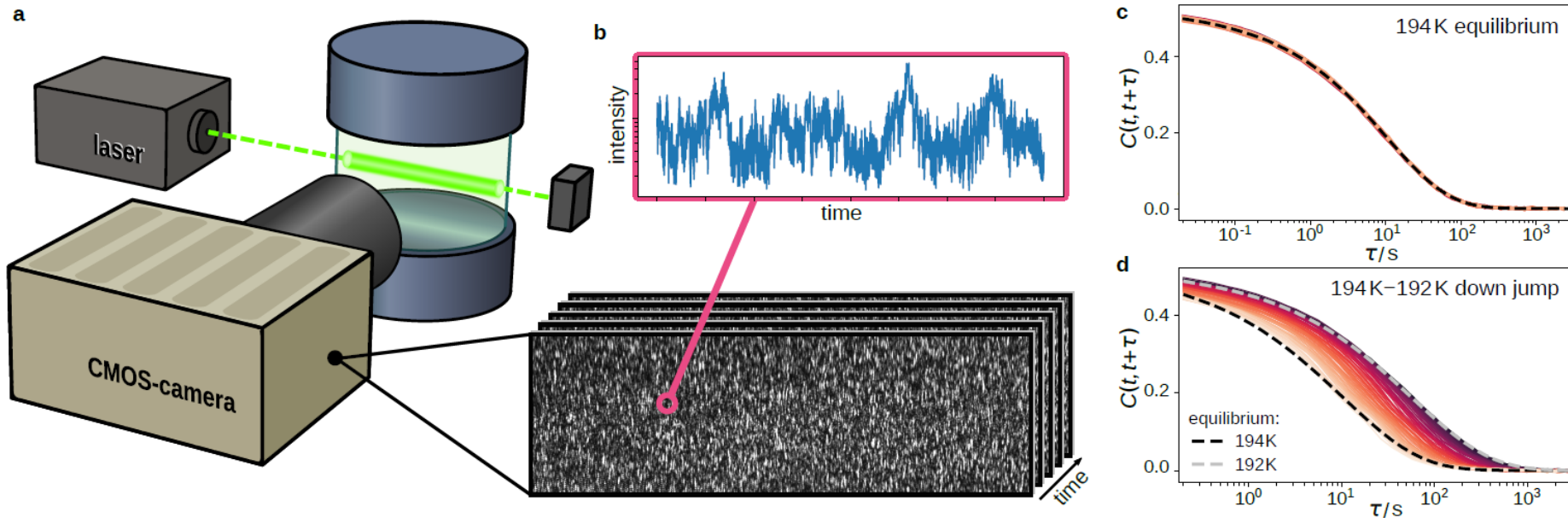
Jumps to $T=0.45$



Dynamic light scattering

[Ongoing work with Thomas Blochowicz and Till Böhmer, (Darmstadt),
Jan Gabriel and Tina Hecksher, (Roskilde)]

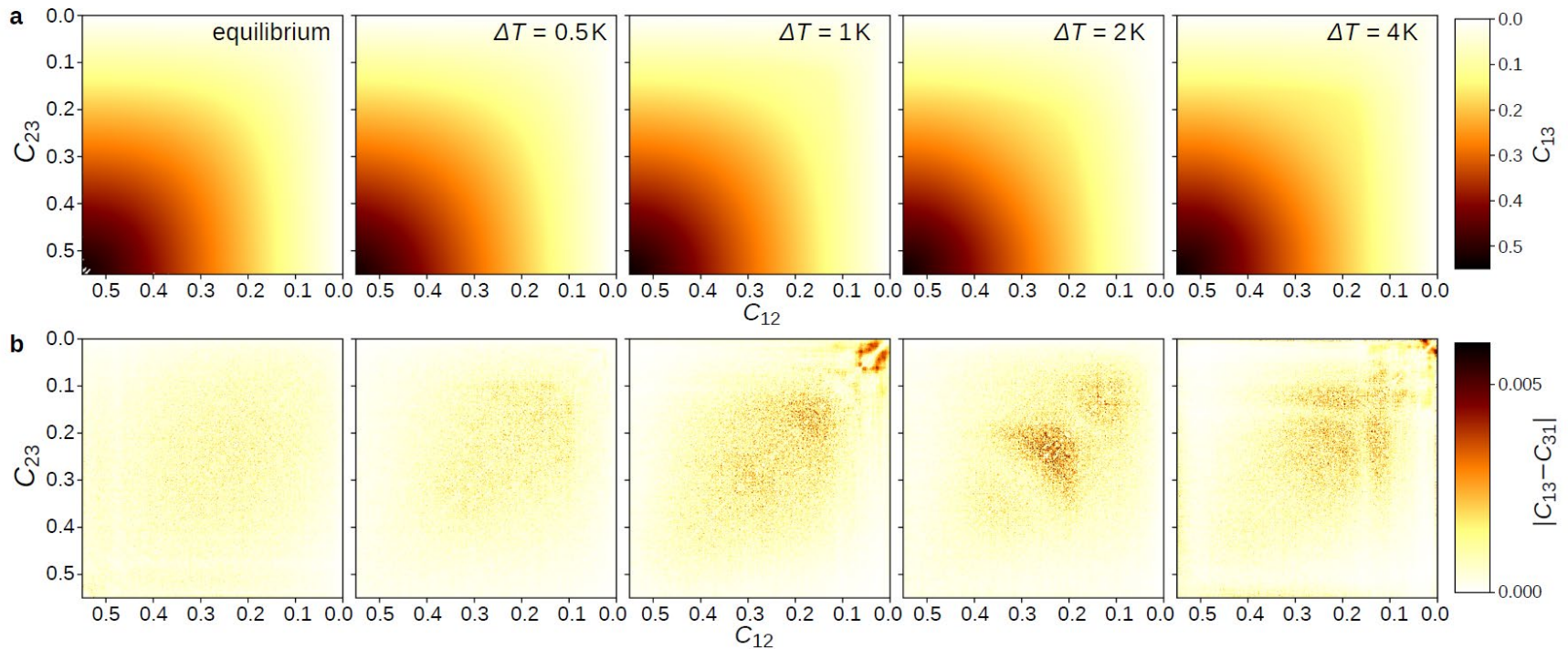
Determine the intensity time-autocorrelation function



Dynamic light scattering II

Testing the triangular relation for the intensity time-autocorrelation function:

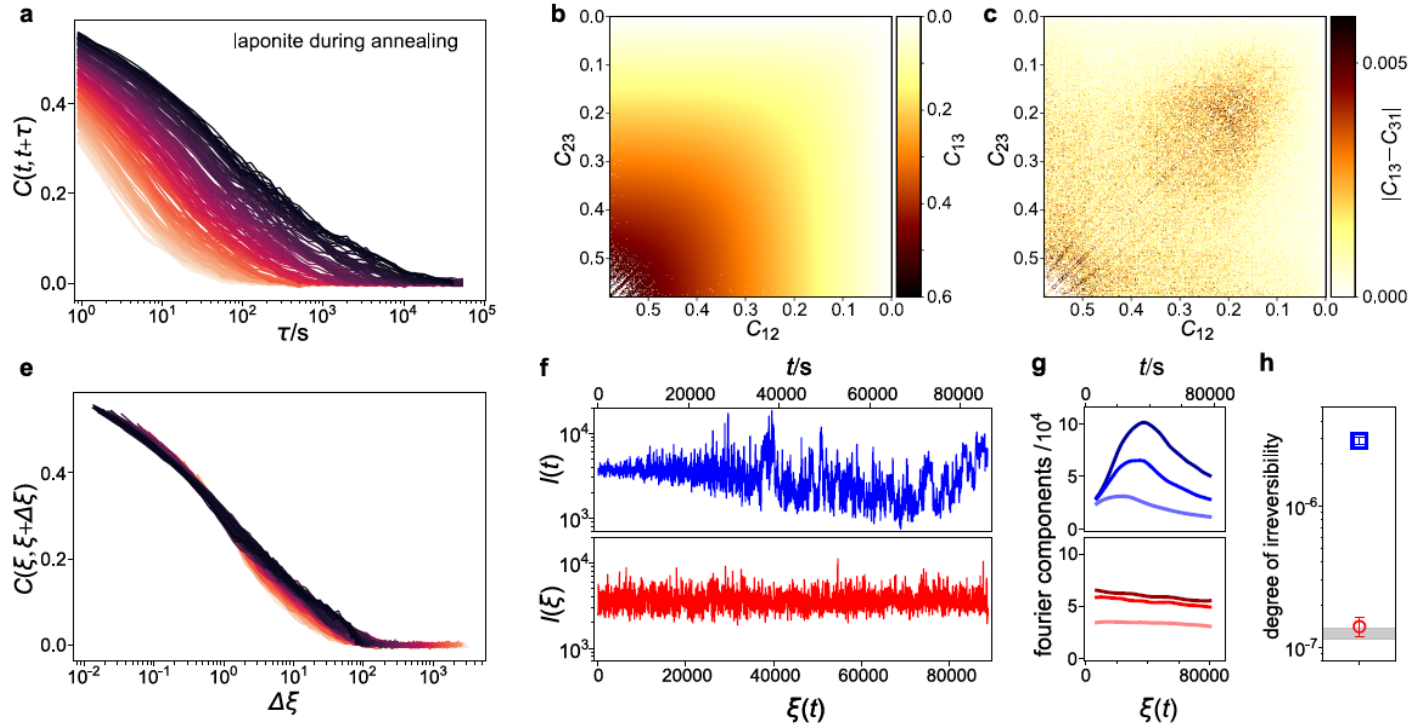
$$C_{13} = F(C_{12}, C_{23})$$



1-phenyl-1-propanol



Dynamic light scattering III



Laponite



Conclusions

- Single-parameter aging has been confirmed in experiments and simulations.
- Aging can be predicted from its linear limit.
- The implied fact that aging can be predicted from a knowledge of equilibrium fluctuations (FD theorem) has been confirmed in simulations [Mehri *et al.*, J. Chem. Phys. **154**, 094504 (2021)], but await experimental confirmation.
- The reversibility condition and the triangular relation (Kurchan & Cugliandolo, 1994) has been confirmed in experiments and simulations.

Thanks!



TN, TTS, and time-scale coupling

[I. M. Douglass and JCD, Phys. Rev. E **106**, 054615 (2022)]

$$q_a(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \phi_{ab}(t - t') \delta e_b(t')$$

$$d(t_0, t) = \alpha t + \beta \quad q_a(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \psi_{ab}[d(t_0, t) - d(t_0, t')] \delta e_b(t')$$

$$\xi(t) \equiv d(t_0, t)$$

$$q_a(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\xi(t)} \psi_{ab}[\xi(t) - \xi'] \delta e_b(\xi')$$



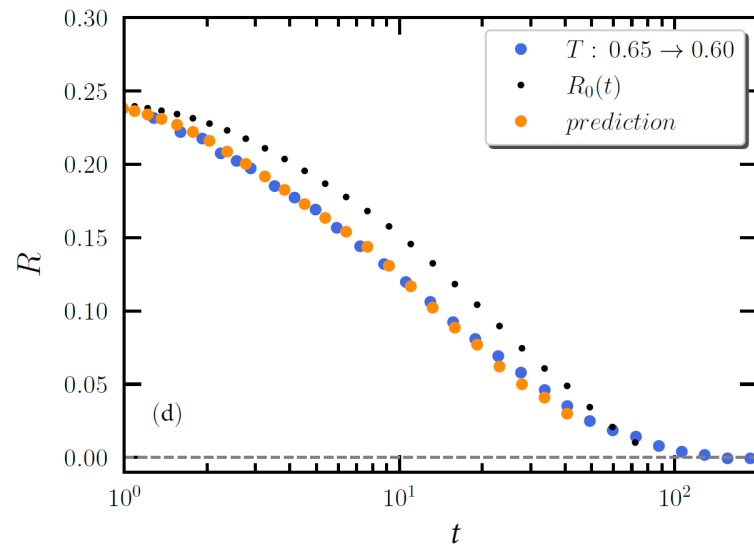
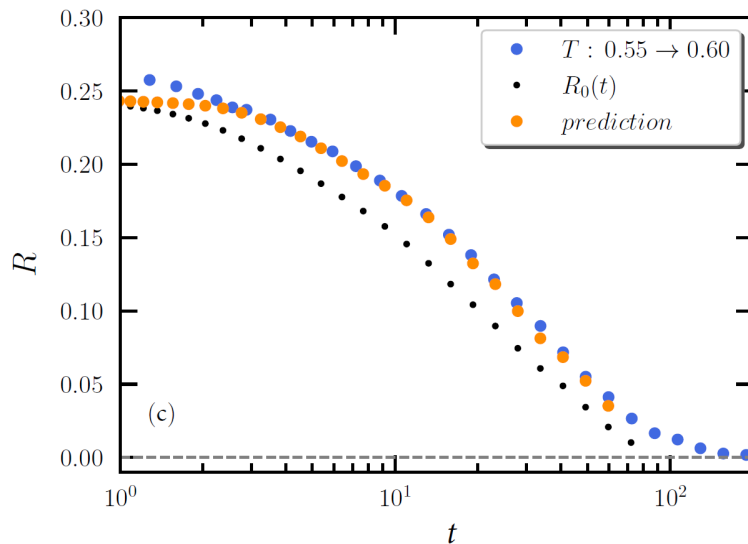
TN equation

Single-parameter aging III

[S. Mehri *et al.*, Thermo. **142**, 241103 (2021)]

$$\dot{R} = -F(R) e^{\Lambda R}$$

$$R(t) = R_0(t) + \Lambda R_1(t) \quad R_1(t) = \dot{R}_0(t) \int_0^t R_0(t') dt'$$



Kob-Andersen binary Lennard-Jones system