

Simulating Polymer Systems on GPU

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Parallel Tempering Method

Parallel tempering (or replica exchange) Monte Carlo with n_r replicas:
Exchange conformations of neighboring replicas i and $i + 1$ with probability

$$p = \min(1, \exp[(E_i - E_{i+1})(\beta_i - \beta_{i+1})])$$

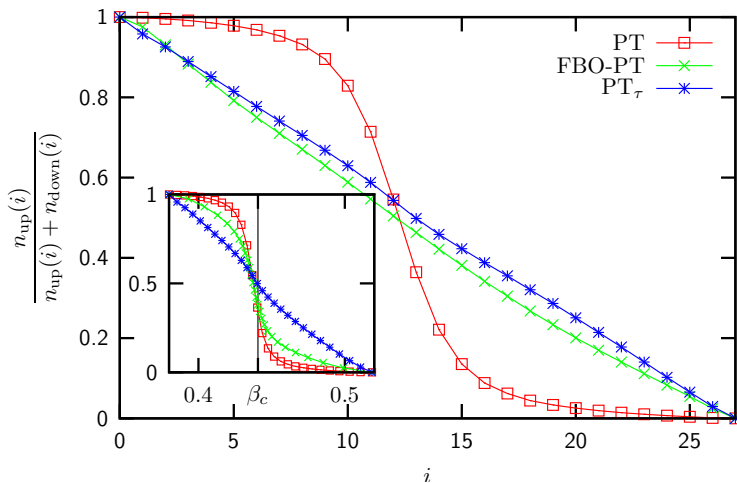
Problem: Appropriate spacing of β_i and/or number of sweeps per replica

Here: Focus on autocorrelation times and hence number of sweeps per replica

E. Bittner, A. Nußbaumer, WJ, Phys. Rev. Lett. **101** (2008) 130603; PoS (LAT2009) (2009) 027.

Flow of Replicas

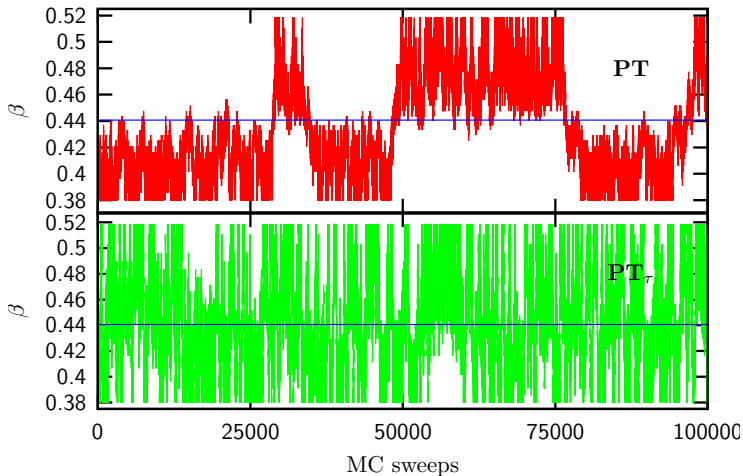
Standard PT exhibits sharp decline close to β_c



2D Ising model ($L = 80$)

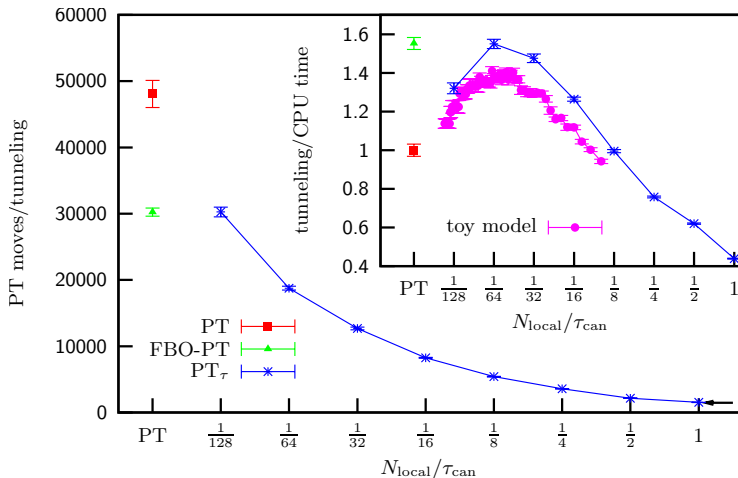
Time-Series of Arbitrary Replica

Standard PT exhibits “reflections” at β_c (similar to time-series for a first-order transition!)



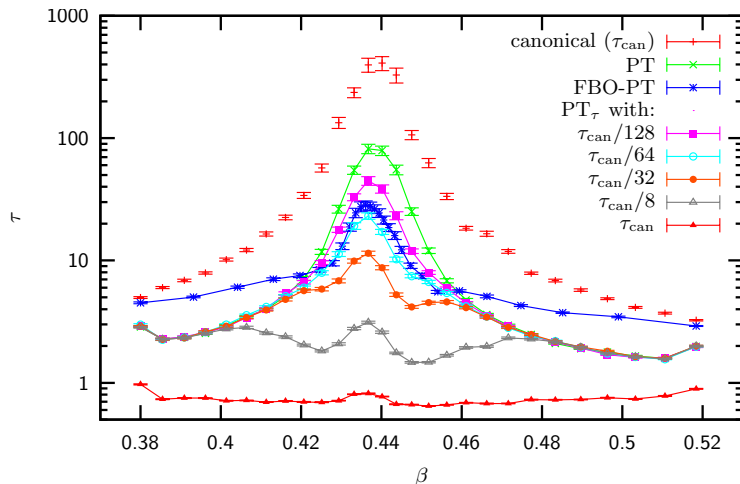
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PT Moves per Tunneling



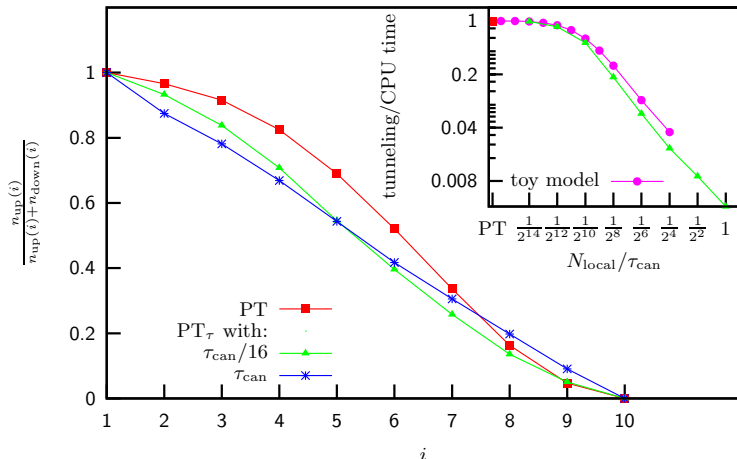
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Autocorrelation Times



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Flow of Replicas for Edwards-Anderson Spin Glass



3D EA Ising spin glass ($L = 6, 20$ disorder realizations)

Summary and Outlook

Some conclusions

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