### Mpemba Effect in Ising Model



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### **Introduction to Mpemba Effect**

"A hotter system of water freezes faster than a colder one."



https://www.vectorstock.com/royalty-free-vector/two-glass-beakers-filled-with-ice-and-water-vector-29650949

- Aristotle (384–322 BC) in Meteorologica, Roger Bacon, Rene Descartes, Francis Bacon, and others.
- Re-introduced to the scientific community by a then school boy (1963) Erasto B.
  Mpemba.
  E.B. Mpemba and D.G. Osborne, Physics Education (1969).
- The effect is not specific to the ice-water system.
- Observed in spin glass<sup>1</sup>, granular gas<sup>2</sup>, antiferromagnets<sup>3</sup>, colloidal systems<sup>4</sup>, etc.
- Typically, the effect is thought to be associated with the slowly evolving systems with complex energy landscape.

3) A. Gal and O. Raz, PRL (2020).4) A. Kumar and J. Bechhoefer, Nature (2020).



We investigate the presence of Mpemba effect in a ferromagnetic system.

Model: 2D Nearest-neighbor Ising model.

Hamiltonian:  $H = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} S_i S_j$ ;  $S_i = \pm 1, J > 0$ .

### Protocol used:





- Systems with different T<sub>s</sub> are prepared and quenched to a final lower temperature, T<sub>f</sub>.
- Monte Carlo simulations with Glauber spin flip mechanism have been performed.

### **Observations**

Relaxation of the system:



Energy for the higher  $T_s$  values are smaller than the smaller  $T_s$  values at late time.

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 $t_{c,f} \rightarrow$  the crossing time for energy curve for different values of T<sub>s</sub>.

A systematic decrease in  $t_{c,f}$  with the increase in  $\mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{S}}.$ 

**Presence of Mpemba effect.** 

#### Frozen states in the 2D Ising model:





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- Pre-heating: Glauber dynamics and Kawasaki dynamics.
- Non-equilibrium configurations can be considered "effectively" as systems with different  $T_s$ .
- Quench to  $T_f$  via Glauber dynamics.

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### **Conclusions**

- We investigated the presence of Mpemba effect in uniaxial ferromagnet using 2D nearest neighbor Ising model.
- The system which was quenched from higher initial temperatures ( $T_s$ ) was approaching the new equilibrium faster than those started with lower  $T_s$  values.
- This indicates the presence of the Mpemba effect (ME) in the system.
- A pre-heating process also supports the above fact.
- The system we considered does not have any glass-like energy landscapes, which makes the observation even more surprizing.

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