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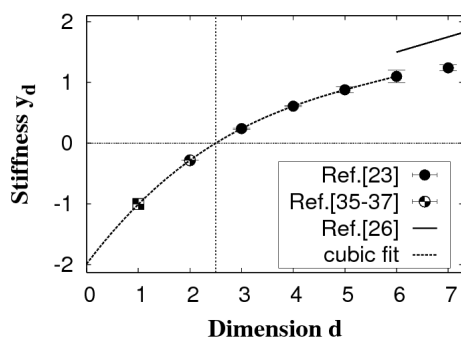
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## Research on Spin Glasses:

While theories for [mean-field spin glass](#) are well-developed, their [finite-dimensional spin glasses](#) is still in question. For many years verifying those theories using simulations have been hampered by inherent to the task: Just finding a ground state is an [NP-hard](#) problem in the class of the most difficult computational problems known. This and pioneering research area at [the interface of statistical physics and computer science](#), spawning interest in [New Optimization Algorithms in Physics](#). In many areas of science are driven by rapidly improving hardware, the study of strongly disordered systems also requires the development of new methods and algorithms that may anticipate the fate of computation beyond [Moore's Law](#).



Fitting the [stiffness exponent for  \$d=2, \dots, 7\$](#)  of the Edwards-Anderson model predicts a [lower critical dimension](#) (=zero of fit) at  [\$d\_c=5/2\$](#)  to within 0.1%.

We have pioneered several spin glasses, in particular, the [E](#) [here](#)). By focusing on *dilute* spin glasses we succeeded to improve the algorithms for [3-dimensional spin glasses](#). Our methods allowed us to obtain results for [all dimensions  \$d=3\$  to  \$7\$](#)  for the first time.

Our approach can be applied to other spin glasses. We have tested the algorithm for ground state overlap, entropy, and  [\$d=4\$  Migdal-Kadanoff graphs](#) have provided high-precision results and a number of new predictions.

Even for the fully connected case, our approach provides some of the most accurate results.

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