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## Aging processes in disordered materials: High- $T_c$ superconductors and ferromagnets<sup>1</sup> MICHEL PLEIMLING, Virginia Tech

Physical aging is generically encountered in systems far from equilibrium that evolve with slow dynamics. Well known examples can be found in structural glasses, spin glasses, magnetic systems, and colloids. Recent years have seen major breakthroughs in our understanding of aging processes in non-disordered systems. Progress in understanding aging in disordered systems has been much slower though. In this talk I discuss non-equilibrium relaxation in two different types of disordered systems: coarsening ferromagnets with disorder, characterized by a crossover from an initial power-law like growth of domains to a slower logarithmic growth regime, and interacting vortex lines in disordered type-II superconductors, where the interplay of vortex-vortex interaction and pinning results in a very rich non-equilibrium behavior.

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