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Statistical Mechanics of Complex Systems

Message from the Guest Editor

Complex systems attract considerable attention of scientists from various disciplines. It seems that a key feature of any complex system is that while it is composed of a certain number of interacting elements, as a whole, it exhibits new emerging properties that are much different from the properties and behaviors of its components. Consequently, statistical mechanics approaches provide a well-suited and very promising methodology to examine complex systems. Indeed, due to the multitude of such studies, at least certain aspects of some complex systems are now well understood. The aim of this Special Issue is to collect papers that introduce novel models or develop innovative methods to study complex systems. Papers that examine agent-based models, complex networks, cellular automata, or adaptive systems using computer simulations, stochastic processes, time series analysis, neural networks, or machine learning are particularly welcome.

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