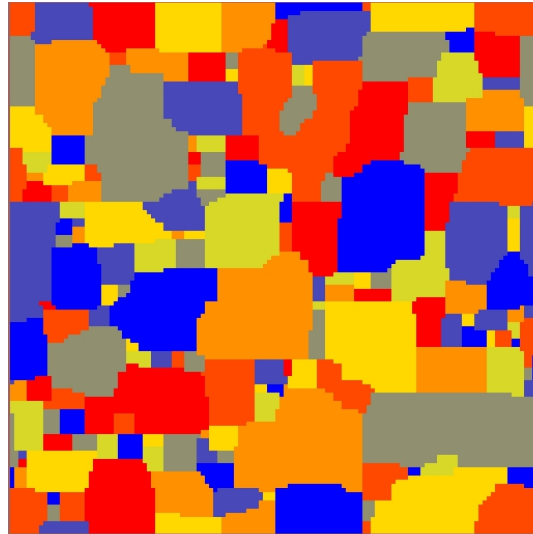


Even if the Potts model is not a disordered system it has been observe that it can give rise to spontaneous disordering (cite, url)



Moreover it is a paradigm system for investigating discontinuous phase transitions. In several papers we are facing the problem of existence of metastable states in this system below the transition temperature