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Here are the titles presented at the last semiannual Statistical Mechanics Meeting, held in May 1998. As usual these titles are informal and, in many cases, there is only one speaker listed, although the work may have been done by many collaborators. Also, the addresses are incomplete, but e-mail addresses are provided if you are interested in communicating with a speaker.

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The next Statistical Mechanics Meeting will take place December 13–15, 1998, at Rutgers University.

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Review Talks

Interface Dynamics in Phase Transitions

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Cahn-Hilliard Dynamics

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Ostwald Ripening in the Presence of Elastic Stress: Self-Similarity, Kinetics and Anisotropy

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Wetting

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The Cahn Transition at the Microscopic Scale

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- A Shared Property of Certain Similarity Solutions in Theories of Evaporation-Condensation and Curvature Driven Surface Diffusion
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- A Droplet on a Wall: Microscopic Approach from Effective Interface Models
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- Phase-Field Modeling of Thermoelastic Materials with Changes of Phase
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- Double Obstacle and Degenerate Phase Field, Cahn-Hilliard and Allen-Cahn Equations
C. M. Elliott, University of Sussex, C.M.Elliott@sussex.ac.uk
- A Kinetic Theory Approach to the Scaling Limits of Ising Systems with Long-Range Interactions
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- Scaling and Universality in Phase-Ordering Dynamics
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- Triple Junctions, Et Cetera
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- Two Length Scales in the Critical X-ray Diffuse Scattering from the Tricritical System V2H
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- Titanium-Based Quasicrystals
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- Penrose Tilings and Quasicrystals
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- Rational Approximants to Quasicrystals
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- Statistical Mechanics of Random Tiling Quasicrystals
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- Symmetries of Quasicrystals
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- Lattice-Gas Models of Quasicrystals
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- Constructive Field Theory for Interfaces
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- Spinodal Decomposition and Wetting in Fluid Systems
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- Lattice Boltzmann Simulations of Complex Fluids
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Low Temperature Wetting of Antiphase Boundaries: A Gamma Convergence Approach

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Mechanism of Formation of Monodispersed Colloids by Nucleation and Aggregation of Nanosize Precursors

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Rise of Vortices and Bifurcation Analysis for a Ginzburg Landau Model in Cylindrical Domains

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Structure and Properties of Solid Interfaces

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Alloy Decomposition and Surface Instabilities in Growing Thin Films

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Crossover from Ising-Like to Mean-Field Critical Behavior of Simple and Complex Fluids

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Dynamics of Step Bunching and Pattern Formation on Crystal Surfaces

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Coarsening in a Driven Diffusive System: Lattice Models vs. Continuum Descriptions

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Dynamics of Deformation and Fracture in Amorphous Solids

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Grain Rotation in Sintering at the Nanoscale

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Round Table: Statistical Mechanics, Partial Differential Equations and Material Science

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Faceting of Metal Surfaces Induced by Ultrathin Metal Films

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Infinite-Disorder Fixed Points!

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Some New Results in the Kinetics of Phase Transitions

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Spinodal Decomposition for Multi-Component Cahn-Hilliard Systems

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Transport in Thermal Equilibrium

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Short Communications

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Cluster Effects in Electromagnetic Wave Tunneling through Polariton Gaps

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How we Beat Finite-Size Effects in Phase Segregation Kinetics

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Strong Localization in 1D Photonic Crystals with Defects (Analytic Results)

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Dynamics of Driven Interfaces near Isotropic Percolation Transition

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Critical Behavior at a Nonequilibrium Bicritical Point

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The Stability of Ginzburg–Landau Vortices

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The Phase Transition to a Square Vortex Lattice in Type-II Superconductors with Fourfold Anisotropy

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Renormalization-Group Calculations of Local Energy Densities at Criticality under Relevant Quenched Disorder

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Asymmetric Random-Field Tricriticality

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Narrow Coexistence Region of the $d = 3$ Hubbard Model

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Exploring a Tricritical Wing by an “External” Coupling to the Superfluid Order Parameter in ^3He – ^4He Mixtures

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- Stacking Entropy of Hardsphere Crystals
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- Density Fluctuations in Many-Body Systems: New Exact Results
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- Roles of Repulsive and Attractive Forces in Determining the Structure of
 Nonuniform Liquids: Generalized Mean Field Theory
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- Molecular Dynamics Simulation of Phase Change in Lennard-Jones Fluids
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- Modified One-Dimensional Two-Component Plasmas
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- Charge Separation in Confined Charged Fluids
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- Charge Fluctuations in Electrolytes: The Lebowitz Length
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- Why Some Simulation Results for Ionic Fluids Look Mean-Field-Like
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- Weak Ergodicity Breaking in a Simple Free Energy Landscape
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- A Growth Model for Quasicrystals
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- Volume Changes in Binary Alloy Ordering, A Binary Classical Density
 Functional Theory Approach
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- Generalized Landau-Type Theory for Crystal Liquid-Crystal Phase
 Diagrams
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- Phase Coexistence in a Single Protein Chain
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Compact Polymers with Continuously Varying Exponents

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Coupled Cahn–Hilliard Equations

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Ostwald Ripening in a Semi Infinite System

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Correlation Analysis in the Spreading of Damage in the 2-Dimensional Ising Model

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Transition to Chaos in Models of Genetic Networks

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Modeling the Dynamics of Stress-Induced Instabilities

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Exact Correlation Functions of the Most General Spin-S Model on the Bethe Lattice

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A Farey Fraction Spin Chain

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On the Average Magnetization in Spin Glass Models

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Exact Solution of the Asymmetric Exclusion Process with Time Discrete Dynamics

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The Finite Eight Vertex Model

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Kinetics of Phase Separation in Polymer Gels: Experimental Test of Cahn Hilliard Theory

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Large Deviations for the Quantum Ideal Gases

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On a Quantum Analogue of KAM Theorem

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Biased Monte Carlo for Zeolite Structure Solution: A Minimization Problem

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Hydrodynamic Limit of Brownian Particles Interacting with Short and Long Range Forces

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The Kinetic Ising Model in Oscillating Magnetic Field

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Fluctuation Effects on Quadratic Autocatalysis Fronts: A Markov Chain Approach

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Surface vs Bulk Behavior in a Simple Nonequilibrium System

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