

## **Program of the 84th Statistical Mechanics Meeting**

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Here are the titles presented at the last semiannual Statistical Mechanics Meeting, held in December 2000. 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 16–18, 2001, at Rutgers University.

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### **REVIEW TALKS**

Topological shocks in Burgers turbulence

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Stochastic PDEs in Turbulence Theory

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Mean-Field Approximation and a Small Parameter in Turbulence Theory

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Chaotic Hypothesis and Intermittency in Fluid Mechanics

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On Thermostats, Chaos and Entropy Production

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On Entropy Production in Quantum Statistical Mechanics

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Semi-Focusing Billiards

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Does Any Compact Manifold Carry a Bernoulli Diffeomorphism Whose Lyapunov Exponents Are All Nonzero?

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Open Quantum Systems

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Dynamical Systems on Fermi Surfaces and Conductivity: Topological Phenomena

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On the Regularity Properties of Nonlinear Wave Equations

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A Multiplicative Ergodic Theorem and Nonpositively Curved Spaces

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Do Sinai-Ruelle-Bowen Measures Exist?

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$L^4$ -Norms of Eigenstates

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Global Scenario for Dynamics and Recent Results

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Anderson Localization for Schrödinger Operators with Quasi-Periodic Potentials

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Quantum and Classical Localization in a Random Medium

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Classification of Quasicrystals

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Session on Human Rights and Social Responsibilities of Scientists, with R. Long, Editor, VIP Reference, and J. L. Lebowitz

Is There a Statistical Mechanics of Neurobiology

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Gravitational Thermodynamics, a Case Study: Star Cluster Evolution

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Pattern Selection

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Chaotic Field Theory in Terms of Recurrent Spatiotemporal Patterns

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Fluctuations of Interface in Stochastic PDE's with Conservation Laws

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The Invariant Measure of Partially Noisy, Unstable, PDE's

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D. Ruelle: What Do I Want Yasha to Do in the Coming Years

Y. Sinai: What Do I Want David to Do in the Coming Years

Viruses, Vesicles and multielectron Bubbles: The Thompson Problem Revisited

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Designability of Protein Structures

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Model Genetic Networks/Principles of Robust Transcription Control

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Mathematical Models for the Evolution of Sex

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Crossing Probabilities and Modular Forms

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Spectral Statistics of Diffractive Systems

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Quantum Fingerprints of Classical Ruelle-Pollicott Resonances

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The Origin of Optical Activity in Abiotic Fluids

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Fourier Law in One Dimension: New Numerical Results

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## SHORT TALKS

Microcanonical Potts Models

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Special Modes for Black-Hole Gravitational Waves

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Billiards with a Non-Compact Cusp

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## Finite Horizon Embedded Surfaces with Anosov Geodesic Flow

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## Modified Correlations Close to Modulated and Rough Boundaries

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Iso-g<sub>2</sub> Processes in Equilibrium Statistical Mechanics

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## First-Order-Scaling near a Second-Order Phase Transition: Tricritical Polymer Collapse

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## Fate of Zero-Temperature Ising Ferromagnets

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## Renormalization Group Flow of the Two-Dimensional Hierarchical Coulomb Gas

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## Phase Transitions in 2:1 and 3:1 Primitive Electrolytes

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## Correlations and Instabilities in a Drifting Lattice

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## Lattice Independent Approach to Thermal Phase Mixing

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## On the Stochastic Model of the Revised Enskog Theory: Transport Coefficients and the Equation of State of the Underlying Fluid

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## On the Rate of Turbulent Energy Dissipation in Body-Forced Flows

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## One-layer Model of the Growth of Microtubules

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## Modelling of the Web Graph

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## Nonequilibrium Phase Transitions Induced by Interfacial Noise: the Voter Model Universality Class

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The Algebraic Description of the Monodromy of the Generalized Knizhnik-Zamolodchikov Equation of the  $SB\bar{S}$  Type

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Griffiths Effects and Delocalization Transitions in Two-Dimensional Bipartite Random Hopping Problems

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Localization on Short-Range Potentials in Dissipative Quantum Mechanics

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Kinetic Theory of Gravitational Collapse

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Influence of Rotation on Gravothermal Catastrophe,

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On Galilean Invariance and Nonlinearity in Electrodynamics and Quantum Mechanics

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Time Evolution of Quantum Fractal

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Generalized Wigner Surmise, Sutherland Model, and Terrace-Width Distributions on Stepped Surfaces: Physical Realization of Strong Repulsions ("Large Beta")

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Universality at the Edge of the Spectrum in Random Wigner and Sample Covariance Matrices

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Generalized Phase Space Version of Langevin Equations

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Absorption of a Randomly Accelerated Particle

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Barkhausen Noise and the Power Spectra

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Long Time Tails for a Class of Diffusions in Random Media

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Time Evolution of Structure Factors in Vacancy Mediated Dynamics

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Phase Transitions in Coupled Map Lattices

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A Phenomenological Approach to Electoral College

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Localization Transition for Randomly Coloured Self-Avoiding Walk at an Interface

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Depinning with Inertia: A Transition with First-Order and Critical Features

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Phylogenetic Study of the Spatial Distribution of Protein-Coding and Control Segments in DNA Chains

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Free Energy Self-Averaging for Protein-Sized Random Heteropolymers

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With a little help of DNA: Morphological Diversity of Nanoparticle Self-Assembly

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2-Forms and Noncommutative Hamiltonian Dynamics

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Solvable Ladder Models

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Droplet States in the XXZ Chain

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Spin Polaron Transport and Colossal Magnetoresistance

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Changing Effective Spin of the  $S=3/2$  Heisenberg Chain: A Randomness Induced Spin-Reduction Transition

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Hamiltonian and Non-Hamiltonian Representations of the Renormalization Group

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Liquid-Liquid Phase Transition

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The Critical Locus of a Simple Fluid with Added Salt

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Crystalline Membranes as Auxetic Systems

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Hydrodynamics of Liquids of Arbitrarily Curved Flux-Lines in Type-II Superconductors

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Stochastic Analysis of the Lorentz System

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Ergodicity and Stochastic PDEs: Exponential Convergence

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Cauchy-Convergent Measures in Non-Equilibrium Thermodynamics

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Dynamic Self-Consistent Theory for a Lattice Model of Polymer Fluids

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Granular Shear Instabilities

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Critical Distribution of Clusters at the Boundary of a Semi-Infinite Cylinder for the Ising Model

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Turbulence of Floating Particles: Neither 2 Nor 3-Dimensional

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