

## **Program of the 92nd Statistical Mechanics Meeting Rutgers University, December 19–21, 2004**

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Please note that in many cases there is only one speaker listed, although the work may have been done with collaborators. Also, the addresses may be incomplete.

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The next Statistical Mechanics Meeting will take place May 15–17, 2005.

### **REVIEW TALKS (\* For authors presenting talk)**

- M. Falk, University of Michigan, [mfalk@umich.edu](mailto:mfalk@umich.edu)  
Localization of Plastic Deformation in Amorphous Solids
- T. Lubensky, University of Pennsylvania, [tom@physics.upenn.edu](mailto:tom@physics.upenn.edu)  
Nonlinearity and Non-Affinity in Elastic Networks
- N. Goldenfeld, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, [nigel@uiuc.edu](mailto:nigel@uiuc.edu)  
Renormalization Group Approach to Multiscale Modelling in Materials Science
- G. Casati, [Giulio.Casati@uninsubria.it](mailto:Giulio.Casati@uninsubria.it)  
Controlling The Heat Flow: A Thermal Transistor
- D. Mermin, Cornell University, [mermin@ccmr.cornell.edu](mailto:mermin@ccmr.cornell.edu)  
Stapp's Last Blast
- \*J. Cahn and L. A. Bendersky, NIST, [john.cahn@nist.gov](mailto:john.cahn@nist.gov)  
Glass Formation by a Nucleation and Growth Process as in a First-Order Transition

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- M. Chan, Penn State University, chan@phys.psu.edu  
Observation of Superflow in Solid Helium
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Entanglement Entropy in Extended Systems
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Hydrodynamic Long-Time Tails at High Temperatures in Hubbard-Like Models
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Patterns of Domains in the Microwave-Induced “Zero-Resistance State” of Two-Dimensional Electron Systems
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Branching Instabilities in Rapid Fracture: Dynamics and Geometry
- A. Karma, Northeastern University, a.karma@neu.edu  
How Does a Crack Choose Its Path
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Fluctuations in a Driven Granular Medium
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Structures and Chaotic Fluctuations of Granular Clusters in an Excited Fluid Layer
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Fluctuations Near Phase Transitions in Two-Dimensional Equilibrium and Non-Equilibrium Systems
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Fractal Growth in Thin Sheets, Leaves, and Viscous Fingers
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The Platonic Ideal of Speleothem Growth
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Quantum Limited Detection, Dephasing and Information in Mesoscopic Systems
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Dots for Dummies
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Casimir Forces, Surface Fluctuations, and Thinning of Superfluid Films
- S. Chakravarty, UCLA, sudip@physics.ucla.edu  
Competing Order, Vertex Models, and High  $T_c$  Superconductors
- K. R. Sreenivasan, J. L. Lebowitz and others  
Human Rights and Social Responsibilities of Scientists
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Superfluid Turbulence
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Low Temperature Anomalies Near Jamming

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Jamming and k-Core Percolation
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Two Cheers for Computer Simulations
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Valency in Ionic Criticality: Field Theory, Simulation, and Understanding
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A Composite-Ratchet Model of Transcription Elongation and its Control
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Connecting the Structure and Dynamics of Gene Regulatory- and Signal Transduction Networks
- D. McLaughlin, New York University, [david.mclaughlin@nyu.edu](mailto:david.mclaughlin@nyu.edu)  
Kinetic Theory for Neuronal Networks: An Effective Representation for Scale-up
- P. Mitra, Cold Spring Harbor, [mitra@cshl.edu](mailto:mitra@cshl.edu)  
Design Principles in Biological Systems: Or, Will Theory Ever be Interesting in Biology?

Round Table: Patterns in Equilibrium and Nonequilibrium Systems

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Estimating the Infectiousness of HIV/AIDS
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Order Parameters in Disordered Systems
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Queuing Transitions in Stochastic One Dimensional Flow, Faceting in Paper Combustion, and Polymer Localization
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Perturbative Calculations for Generalised Dimensions
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Hydrodynamic Singularities in a Freely Cooling Inelastic Gas
- T. Prellberg, Queen Mary, University of London, [t.prellberg@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:t.prellberg@qmul.ac.uk)  
Polymer Simulations with a Flat Histogram Stochastic Growth Algorithm
- \*J. Sethna, K. S. Brown and R. A. Cerione, Cornell University, [sethna@ccmr.cornell.edu](mailto:sethna@ccmr.cornell.edu)

Sophisticated Statistical Mechanics of Sloppy Models: Making Predictions about Protein Dynamics in Cells

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Equation-Free Dynamic Renormalization for Complex/Multiscale Problems

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Density Functional Theory of Dissipative Systems

### **SHORT COMMUNICATIONS (\* For authors presenting talk)**

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A Conditional Proof of Fermat's Last Theorem

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On a Large Coupling Problem

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Characteristics of Nearly Jammed Disordered and Ordered Hard-Particle Packings

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Fractional Statistics of Distinguishable Particles

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S. N. Coppersmith and J. W. Landry

Finite-Size Scaling in the Energy-Entropy Plane for the 2D  $\pm$ J Ising Spin Glass

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Mean Absorption Time of a Randomly Accelerated Particle

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Determining the Line Tension of a Three-Phase Contact Region by Monte-Carlo Simulations

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Lifshitz-Slyozov Theory with Anisotropy

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Percolation of Immobile Domains in Supercooled Thin Polymeric Films

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Complex Dynamics of Cardiac Waves Mediated by Defects

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Stationary States and Energy Cascades in Granular Gases

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Turbulence—What to Do about It?

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Landau Theory for Magneto-Ferroelectricity
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Dislocation Dynamics in Pattern Forming Systems
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Unzipping Luttinger Liquids
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Fluctuation Theorem beyond Linear Response Theory
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Spin Orientation Tunneling in Magnetic Molecules: A Playground for Spin-Coherent-State Path Integrals
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Superfluid Interfaces in Quantum Solids
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The Geometrization of Molecular Statistical Mechanics
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The Gas-Liquid Phase Transition in the Hard-Sphere Gas: (collecting crumbs under Michael Fisher's table)
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Plumes Extraction in Turbulent Thermal Convection
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Cracklike Cascades in Amorphous Plasticity
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Symmetry-Breaking Motility
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Characterizing Knots in Polymer Coil and Globule Phases
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On the Electronic Transport in Conducting Polymeric Wires
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The Trapping Reaction with Mobile and Reacting Traps
- C. Chang, Cornell University, cc236@ccmr.cornell.edu  
Size Dependence of Phonon Sidebands in Polyacetylene
- B. Chakrabarti, UMASS, buddho@physics.umass.edu  
The Nonlinear Elasticity of an Alpha-Helical Polypeptide
- V. Coffman, Cornell University, vrc3@cornell.edu  
A Generalization of the Andreev-Lifshitz Theory of Supersolid Helium

- J. Fiala and \*P. Kleban, University of Maine, kleban@maine.edu  
Strange and Unusual Correlations in the Farey Spin Chain
- \*J. Machta and Y. Wu, UMASS Amherst, machta@physics.umass.edu  
Phase Transition of the Random Field Ising Model at Zero Temperature and Positive Temperature
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Heat Conductivity and Bulk Viscosity in 1-D: New Approach from an Old Idea
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Particle Clustering in Turbulent Flows
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On Subgap States in Dirty Superconductors and Dimensional Reduction
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Non-linear Growth and Coalescence in the 1D Cahn-Hilliard Model
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Evolution of Spiral Steps on Supported Lead Nanocrystallites
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Correlations in Nano-island Fluctuations (Comparison of Theory, MC and Experiments)
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Mesoscale Ultrasonics in Open and Closed Disordered Systems
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Modeling Multistrain Diseases with Antibody Dependent Enhancement
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Multiscale Complexity: A New Tool for Characterizing Complex Systems
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Designer Nets from Local Strategies
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A Local Method for Detecting Communities in Networks
- I. Nemenman, Columbia University, ilya.nemenman@columbia.edu  
Disordered Systems and Statistical Inference of Transcriptional Networks
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Functional Patterns in Computational and Biomolecular Systems

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Homogeneous Generalized Master Equations

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On Heisenberg Inequality

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Realizability of Point Processes for Low Densities: An Easy Explicit  
Construction

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Equilibrium of a Confined, Randomly Accelerated, Inelastic Particle