GPP Theory group

3 members: David London (phenomenology; applying 07) **Richard MacKenzie (field theory; quantum information)** Manu Paranjape (field theory and gravity; applying 07)

Overall statistics: HQP

 Two postdocs: Alejandro Szynkman, Makiko Nagashima [DL]
 Three students: Maxime Imbeault [PhD, DL], Faïza Nebia-Rahal [PhD, RM+MP], Olivier Landon-Cardinal [MSc, RM+GB]
 2002-2007 inclusive: 6 postdocs, 4 PhD, 18 MSc, 18 Undergraduate (summer students)

Research interests: DL

Weak interaction phenomenology, B physics and CP violation
_____ Some individual projects:

- B->pi K data and supersymmetry?
- polarization in B decays
- CP violation in tau decays
- CP violation in SUSY theories
- Triple products in B decays

Research interests: RM

- 1) Various field theory applications
 - **Some individual projects:**
 - Q-balls (nontopological solitons) in Maxwell-Chern-Simons theory
 - Josephson effect via field theory; non-abelian generalization
 - Confinement and phase transitions in Abelian Higgs model (2+1d) lattice

Research interests: RM

2) Quantum information

Some individual projects:

- Adiabatic approximation in quantum mechanics (useful in QI and beyond!)
- State discrimination in multipartite systems
- Entanglement and communication

Research interests: MP

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- July 2nd, 2007 August 23rd, 2007, (Kavli) Institute for Theoretical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China
- August 24th, 2007 June 30th, 2008, Center for Quantum Spacetime, Department of Physics, Sogang University, Seoul, Korea
- December 7th, 2007 December 28th, 2007, Inter-University Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics, Pune, India
- December 29th, 2007 January 19th, 2008, Institute of Physics, Bhubaneswar, India
- April 26th, 2008 May 10th, 2008, Institute of Systems, Biology and Bioinformatics, Department of Physics, National Central University, Chongli, Taiwan
- July 1st, 2008 August 10th, 2008, Department of Physics, Osaka University, Osaka, Japan

Quantum field theory, solitons and other quantum dynamical systems

- **Noncommutative geometry**
- Conformal/alternative gravity
- **2+1 dimensional abelian Higgs model and anyons**
- **Non-abelian Josephson effect**
- **Path Integration with complex actions**
- Bethe Ansatz and the AdS/CFT correspondence

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Conclusion

- Active research projects
 - Creative ideas

Crying need for money for a post-doc, at least shared, with Richard MacKenzie