NEWSLETTER - WINTER 1988

The purpose of this newsletter is to announce to the members of the Topical Group on Computational Physics that we will hold the first general meeting of this Group at Boston University from Monday June 5 through Thursday June 9, 1989.

Attached you will find:

(1) An announcement of the meeting;

(2) A questionnaire and call for papers form;

(3) A registration and housing form.

I hope that many of you will be able to attend this meeting, and contribute to it, so that this will be a successful beginning to our plan for the encouragement and advancement of computational physics.

John W. D. Connolly,

Secretary-Treasurer
Announcement

FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF THE TOPICAL GROUP ON COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS

Boston, Massachusetts 5-8 June 1989

The Topical Group on Computational Physics will hold its first general meeting Monday, 5 June, through Thursday, 8 June 1988, at Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts.

The scientific program will consist of invited papers to be given at 3 plenary sessions on Monday morning, Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon, of invited and contributed papers to be given at parallel sessions on Monday afternoon, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning and Thursday morning and of a poster session to be held on Wednesday afternoon.

An overhead projector for viewgraphs and a 35-mm slide projector will be available at all plenary and parallel sessions. Requests for any additional audio-visual equipment should be indicated on the abstract and also addressed in writing before May 1, 1989, to Claudio Rebbi - Physics Department CP89 - Boston University - 590 Commonwealth Avenue - Boston, Massachusetts 02215. A charge may be imposed for additional audio-visual equipment.

A Welcome Reception will be held on Monday evening and a Banquet will be held on Tuesday evening. Floor space will be made available to Computer Manufacturers and other Companies who wish to exhibit products of interest in the field of computational physics.

QUESTIONNAIRE AND CALL FOR PAPERS

We are asking all perspective participants to return as soon as possible the attached Questionnaire-Call for papers form. The responses will be of great help in the organization of the meeting.

The Questionnaire-Call for papers form, together with the original and two copies of the abstract, should also be returned by all people planning to contribute a paper to the meeting.

The Questionnaire-Call for papers form, together with the original and two copies of the abstract if a paper is contributed, are to be sent to: Claudio Rebbi - Physics Department CP89 - Boston University - 590 Commonwealth Avenue - Boston, Massachusetts 02215.

The deadline for the receipt of abstracts is 23 January 1989.

Abstracts should be prepared in strict compliance with the rules of the American Physical Society, as published when space permits in the APS bulletin. Papers contributed for oral presentation will be accepted within the limits of available time at the parallel sessions; the authors of papers which cannot be presented orally for reasons of time will be given the option of presenting their papers at the poster session. Special instructions for poster sessions will be found in Section V of the APS guidelines for submission of abstracts.

ACCOMMODATIONS

The meeting will take place in the George Sherman Union Building of Boston University, located at 775 Commonwealth Avenue in Boston, with some of the parallel sessions hosted in neighboring buildings.

On-site as well as off-site facilities will be available for housing.
ON-SITE FACILITIES

Reduced cost housing accommodations will be available at the Shelton Hall and Myles Standish Hall of Boston University. Both facilities offer comfortable accommodations within walking distance of the George Sherman Union Building and will be available for residence from Sunday, 4 June, to Thursday, 8 June 1989. They are of course equipped with towels, sheets, blankets and other necessities, but no maid service is provided during the stay.

Shelton Hall, located at 91 Bay State Road, has airconditioned suites consisting of two neighboring rooms, with bathroom access through one of the rooms. Both rooms are available for single or double occupancy at the price of $35/night/person (single occupancy), $30/night/person (double occupancy) respectively.

Myles Standish Hall, located at 610 Beacon Street, has non airconditioned suites (but airconditioning is seldom a necessity in early June in Boston) consisting of three neighboring rooms, with bathroom access from the central room and beds in the side rooms. The two side rooms are available for single or double occupancy at the price of $30/night/person (single occupancy), $25/night/person (double occupancy) respectively.

In addition, a meal plan, covering breakfasts and lunches from Monday, 5 June through Thursday, 8 June, will be available for the convenience of the participants. This service offers complete meals with a varied menu and many selections to choose from. Its cost is of $45 for the 4 days of the meeting.

Requests for on-site accommodations and for the meal plan should be made as early as possible by returning the Registration and Housing form.

OFF-SITE ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotels are in high demand in Boston and, although at the time of the meeting graduation ceremonies will be over at Boston University, they will be still in progress at Harvard and M.I.T.. This, together with a large conference on trade scheduled at the Hynes Convention Center, will generate competition for hotel rooms.

A block of rooms has been reserved for the participants at the meeting at the Howard Johnson Hotel in Boston and at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge. The Howard Johnson Hotel is located within walking distance of the meeting facilities, and the rates are $100/single, $110/twin. The Royal Sonesta Hotel is located in Cambridge, near the Charles river, a few miles away from campus, and the rates is $135/single.

Reservations should be made directly with the hotels, by calling the Reservations Offices at (617) 267-3100 for the Howard Johnson and at (617) 491-3600 for the Royal Sonesta. All meeting attendees should identify themselves to Reservations Office as participants to the meeting of the Topical Group on Computational Physics. These hotel reservations are made on a first come, first serve basis and if reservations are not made on a timely basis, there will be no guarantee of space on the rates outlined above.

REGISTRATION

The registration fee will cover the reception on Monday evening, June 5, and the banquet on Tuesday evening, June 6, as well as participation to the meeting. The completed Registration and Housing form should be mailed to: Claudio Rebbi - Physics Department CP89 - Boston University - 590 Commonwealth Avenue - Boston, Massachusetts 02215.

A reduced registration fee will be applied to registrations received on or before Monday, 1 May 1989.
Registration fee schedule:

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The Registration-Housing forms should be sent together with full payment by domestic check or money order (in U.S. currency only) payable to: Boston University CP89.

International bank drafts, transfers, and purchase orders will not be honored as a means of payment. However, participants resident abroad may pay at the time of the meeting while taking advantage of the reduced fees if they have sent their Registration-Housing forms by the above deadline of May 1, 1989.

Participants are urged to register as early as possible. Early registrations are of great help in the planning of the event, allow the participants to take advantage of the reduced fee and to secure the desired accommodations. In order to assist the perspective participants who wish to register early but are not certain of institutional support or of the lack of other commitments a full refund of registration and housing fees will be made upon written notice of cancellation, provided this is received at the address given above for registration on or before May 15, 1989.