# Doppler Institute

for Mathematical Physics and Applied Mathematics

# 2009 Activity Report

This is a short overview of the DI activities; a list of publications is given in the attachment. The full account covering all aspects of the work done can be found at the DI web page, http://doppler.ujf.cas.cz/index.html

### People

- 1. Permanent staff consisted of 18 members the salaries of whom were payed by the three participating institutions, CTU (Exner-part, Burdík, Havlíček, Jex, Masáková, Pelantová, Šťovíček, Tolar, Chadzitaskos, Pošta, Svoboda), NPI (Exner-part, Znojil, Dittrich, Krejčiřík, Tater) and UHK (Šeba, Kříž, Martiník).
- 2. Temporary positions covered by the DI grant LC06002 were given to postdocs, in exceptional cases to PhD students, specifically the long-term ones (six months or more, in some cases extending to the next year) to Brougham, Carlone, Dridi, Gábris, Hejčík, Mestre (all continued from the last year), Burgstaller and Hernandéz-Coronado, and short-term ones to Hamilton, Lavička and Štefaňák. In addition to that, DI visiting professorships for periods up to two months were given to Stephen Barnett and Saverio Pascazio, and Takuya Mine came for a year as a visiting professor (with the support of Kyoto Institute of Technology).

- 3. Students: the DI members supervised PhD theses preparation of 20 students, of which 14 were based at the CTU, 4 in the NPI and 2 at the UHK; a part of the theses were prepared in collaboration with institutes abroad. In addition, some number of undergraduate students was supervised.
- 4. Degrees obtained: Three PhD theses were defended: Hynek Bila: Pseudo-Hermitian Hamiltonians in quantum physics (supervised by Znojil, May), Matěj Tušek: Non-Euclidean geometries in quantum mechanics, quantum plannar models (Šťovíček, December), and Ondřej Turek: Schrödinger operators on metric graphs (Exner, December).
- 5. Visitors: About 25 people visited DI from abroad for collaboration purposes, typically with a talk given at one of the DI seminars. In addition to that, about 40 speakers of the ICMP mentioned below were guests of the Doppler Institute.

#### **Publications**

- 1. Research papers: there were 48 journal papers published, of which 40 of this year while 8 were accepted earlier and published in 2009 (or at the very end of 2008). In addition there were six papers accepted; a full list is attached. Of the 48 journal publications nine were in J. Phys. A: Math. Theor., four in Phys. Rev. A and PRAMANA J. Phys., three in Phys. Rev. D and SIGMA, two in Phys. Lett. A, Physics Scr., RAIRO, and Theor. Comp. Sci., plus single papers in J. Math. Phys., J. Stat. Mech., Physica A, Phys. Rev. E, and 11 other journals.
- 2. Submitted papers and proceedings contributions: 18 items, see the attached list

## The congress

As indicated in the previous year report, the main task of the Doppler Institute in 2009 was to organize the 16th International Congress on Mathematical Physics. It convened on August 3–8, 2009, in the Clarion Congress Hotel in Prague with the attendance of 618 registered participants, among them almost all DI members; it was preceded by the Young Researcher Symposium on July 31 – August 1. The congress attracted participants from practically all leading research centres in mathematical physics worldwide and presented a broad panorama of the field; its lectures and discussions provided numerous

inspirations for further work. A complete information about the ICMP can be found at http://www.icmp09.com/.

#### Other meetings

- 1. 18th Student Winter School on *Mathematical Physics*, Horní Polubný, January 25–21, 2009; about 35 participants from DI, Masaryk University Brno and University of Bialystok; seven lectures of DI members and a number of student presentations were heard.
- 2. Quantization Day II, Prague, March 24, 2008; about 20 participants from four countries and ten talks
- 3. Microconference Analytic and algebraic methods in physics V, Prague, May 27–28, 2009; about 20 participants from eight countries and 16 talks
- 4. A Spring School *Combinatorics on Words*, Děčín, May 31 June 6, 2009; 15 participants from DI, 10 lectures

#### **Seminars**

Four regular seminars worked:

- 1. Doppler Institute Seminar, 13 sessions in 2009
- 2. Quantum Circle Seminar, 14 sessions apart from the workshops
- 3. Combinatorical and Algebraic Structures Seminar, 22 sessions apart from the workshops
- 4. A *microseminar* on quantum theory and related topics and methods, 9 sessions

## DI Council Activity

- 1. Discussions of Council members occurred on ad hoc basis, either during meetings at conferences and other occasions, or through electronic correspondence. Nine Council members were present at the ICMP and used this opportunity to exchange opinions.
- 2. The present report was discussed and approved electronically

### The Václav Votruba Prize

Doppler Institute supports this award for the best PhD thesis in theoretical physics, sponsored by the Foundation for Support of Theoretical Physics. This year prize went to Ludovít Lipták for the work entitled "Aspects of thermodynamics nad confinement in the lattice formulation of QCD"; honorable mentions were given to Lubomíra Balková and Hynek Bíla.

Signed in Prague and London on December 22, 2009

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