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Concluding Remarks

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Turning 80: what's there to celebrate?

Thanks

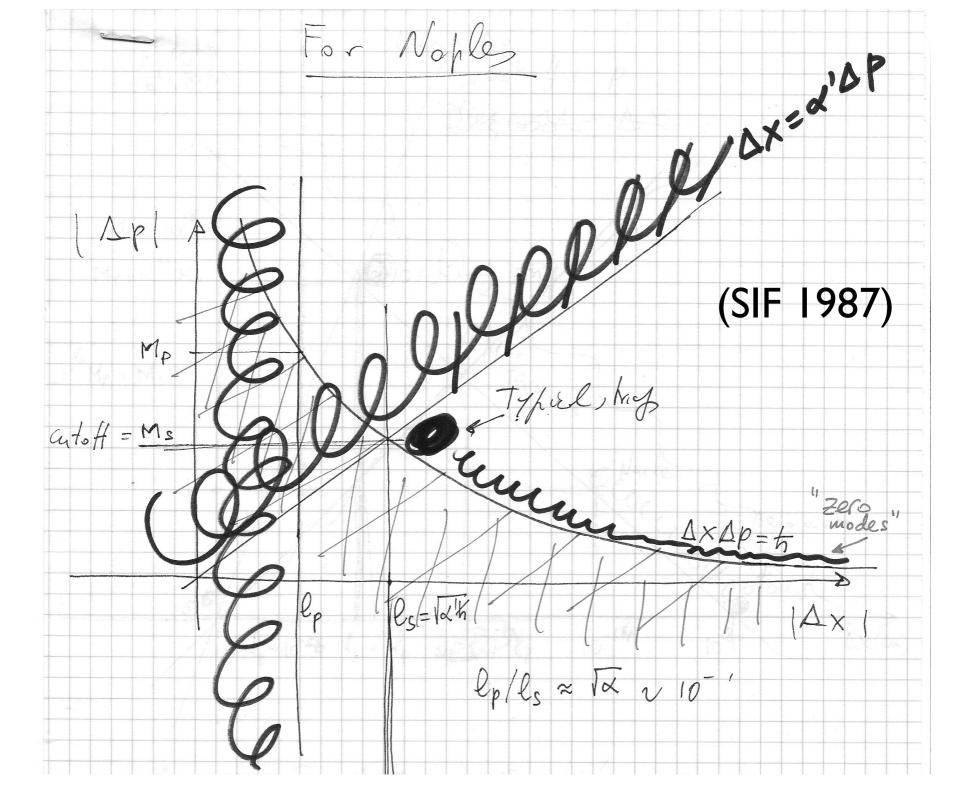
- To mother Nature/chance
- To my mentors: RG, HR, HL, SF
- To Gian and Sasha (+ Michelle, Elena, Marie, Julie..)
- To Paolo and Thibault (+ all other speakers)
- To all the wonderful collaborators I had in my life including many no longer with us (RC, GC, GM, RP, RP, MV) or in not-so-good health (MA, MC, MG, GS)
- To CERN/TH

General Remarks

- Freedom of Research
- Used to follow the whole spectrum
- Getting harder and harder
- My middle road choice: advantages and disadvantages
- An acceleration in doing research

More Scientific Remarks

- Missed discoveries & lessons to be learned from
 - The central extension in the Virasoro Algebra
 - The 1/N_c expansion
 - Non-local field theory suggested by DRM
 - The GUP story
 - T-duality and D-strings
- An exercise in science-history fiction



Weaknesses

- Jumping to new challenges before exhausting old ones
- Pulling too many strings (MC, private teasing)
- Both cured by age?
- Plans for the future?
 - Writing long-overdue book
 - Writing up other unpublished notes
 - More outreach activity
 - More family life

Thank you!