

Contributions

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When I spent a month last summer at CERN Raymond had just passed away and my stay was getting duller than the summer before when he was around, very weak but still with a very sharp mind. It was so interesting to lunch with him and recall old memories but also discuss modern physics.

I am old enough to have studied his famous lecture notes with Moussa on group theory when I was a graduate student so I know of him when he came to CERN and when he made the great breakthrough with BRST. I became very close to him after having lectured at Les Houches in the summer of 1985. This was a hysterical time and I even had to give extra lectures in the evening, one day ending around midnight. I said certain things in a too self-confident way as we early string theorists did in those year, and Raymond recorded them in his mind and in later years with a twinkle in his eye he very friendly reminded me, those eyes that radiated friendliness and care. We used to have a lot of fun at those occasions. We are all getting older and Raymond knew his days were counted but he did not complain even when it took him a quarter of an hour to get the the restaurant. We are all missing him deeply.