Tributes to J.D. Jackson

'New Phenomena at the SPS Collider – Implications for the Superconducting Super Collider and Beyond' was the title of a day and a half meeting held at Berkeley earlier this year which coincided nicely with the sixtieth birthday of J.D. Jackson, a frequent visitor to the CERN Theory Division and at present Deputy Director for Operations of the Central Design Group of the US Superconducting Super Collider (SSC) project.

A full programme included reports by J. Rohlf (UA1 experiment) and J.R. Hansen (UA2 experiment). Theoretical presentations were given by J. Hinchcliffe (Berkeley), C. Quigg (Fermilab), M. Chanowitz (Berkeley) and R. Field (Florida). The question 'After SSC what?' was discussed by a panel of R. Schwitters (Fermilab), M.K. Gallard (Berkeley), G.L. Kane (Michigan) and B. Richter (Stanford).

In a talk entitled 'proton-proton interactions from 4 MeV to 40 TeV', Kurt Gottfried of Cornell provided birthday reflections. He also brought a special musical tribute recorded by Cornell graduate students expressing their views on the problems in Jackson's famous book 'Classical Electrodynamics'. 'How do you solve a problem like Maria?' from the 'Sound of Music' was transformed for the occasion, including lines like 'How do you solve a problem out of Jackson in anything less than geological time?'.

The meeting banquet provided many more tributes to Jackson including one from Bob Cahn of Berkeley – 'His leadership of the Berkeley physics community has kept it at the centre of exciting research. His dedication to human rights has made us proud to be his colleagues. His example has called from the best of all of us'.