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January 12–27: Australia (Centre of Excellence for Mathematics and Statistics of Complex Systems, division at University of Melbourne and University of Queensland, Brisbane). Lecture in Melbourne Jan 13:

Two applications of phase-type distributions to insurance and finance.

Lecture in Brisbane January 22:

Heavy tails, importance sampling and cross-entropy.

- March 1: Course on simulation at *PhD Course: Performance and Reliability Analysis of IP-based Communication networks*, Dept. of Communications, Aalborg University.
- March 17: Department of Theoretical Statistics, University of Copenhagen. Lecture: Recent developments in rare event simulation with heavy tails
- March 18–19: Department of Statistics, Lund University.
- **April 16–17:** Baltic IV Workshop on Probability and Combinatorics, Kiel. **Participation cancelled**.
- **April 22:** Dept. of Theoretical Statistics, Aarhus University:

 *Recent developments in rare event simulation with heavy tails
- May 4: Pricing of Exotic Options with Lévy Input. EURANDOM, Eindhoven.
- **June 3-4:** Risk Management in Insurance. University of Waterloo, Canada. Keynote speaker on ruin theory.
- June 15: Laboratory of Insurance Mathematics, Copenhagen (censor)
- June 22–25: School on Insurance and Finance, Pueblo, Mexico. Cancelled due to overlap with postponed INFORMS meeting in Beijing.
- **June 22–25:** *INFORMS Applied Probability Meeting*, Beijing (postponed from 03). Plenary speaker:

Two-barrier problems in Applied Probability

- **July 19–23:** Extremes and Related Topics, Aveiro, Portugal. Invited lecturer: Exact extreme value calculations for reflected Lévy processes
- Whole Fall: visits to Mittag-Leffler Institute, Stockholm. Co-organizer of thematic period on *Queueing Theory and Teletraffic Theory*. At Mittag-Leffler Institute Sept 7-Oct 24. Lecture:

Some recent applications of phase-type distributions to queueing theory

September 2–5: *Insurance Mathematics*, Samos, Greece. Scientific committee, chair of the session *Risk and Control*.

September 27-30: Co-organizer of MaPhySto couse *Non-Linear Time Series Modeling* held in Copenhagen.

October 13: Sebatian Rasmus' licentiate defence in Lund.

October 14: University of Copenhagen.

December 16: Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg. Lecture: Two-sided modifications of Lévy processes

December 17: Mattias Bengtsson's licentiate defence in Göteborg (discussant).