Introductory Physics: Modeling with Physics

Abstract

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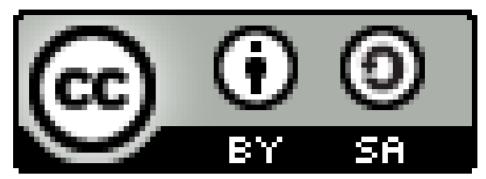
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- 1. The scientific method and physics
- 2. Comparing model and experiment
- 3. Vectors
- 4. Linear momentum and the centre of mass
- 5. Newton's Laws
- 6. Applying Newton's Laws
- 7. Work and energy
- 8. Potential energy and conservation of energy
- 9. Gravity
- 10. Rotational dynamics
- 11. Rotational energy and momentum
- 12. Simple harmonic motion
- 13. Waves
- 14. Fluid mechanics
- 15. Electric charges and fields
- 16. Gauss' Law
- 17. Electric potential
- 18. Electric current
- 19. Electric circuits
- 20. The magnetic force
- 21. Sources of magnetic field
- 22. Electromagnetic induction
- 23. The theory of Special Relativity

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- 24. Appendix A: Calculus
- 25. Appendix B: An Introduction to Visual Python
- 26. Appendix C: Guidelines for lab related activities



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