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By FELIX ALBA

978-1-4563. Rústica. Book Condition: New. Dust Jacket Condition: Nuevo. 0. Physics is a very interesting field to the layperson: nuclear energy, space exploration, astronomy and cosmology, just to mention a few fields. But to understand physics requires much study, so popularizations are legio, even many books are best-sellers. This book deserves to be one. A motivation for Felix Alba-Juez (FAJ) to write 325 pages of dense text in rather small font was his annoyance with the popularizing literature. Scientists . enunciate statements that . sound to the layperson as mystical or incomprehensible . The purpose of this book, he states, is to destroy the aura of mystery and incomprehensibility surrounding Relativity theory . To achieve this demystification on must either put down an effort to learn the concepts and ideas of relativity, or learn the profession of a theoretical physicist. Actually these two paths only differ in language: the first uses ordinary language whereas the second uses mathematics. What annoys FAJ is that the people who know best - the theoretical physicists - are seldom good at popularizing. Although most readers probably think that they know what is meant by mass, weight, force, and energy, perhaps also by inertia, gravitation,...



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