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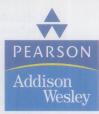
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Useful Data

$M_{ m e}$	Mass of the earth	$5.98 \times 10^{24} \mathrm{kg}$
$R_{\rm e}$	Radius of the earth	$6.37 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
g	Acceleration due to gravity	9.80 m/s^2
G	Gravitational constant	$6.67 \times 10^{-11} \mathrm{N} \mathrm{m}^2/\mathrm{kg}^2$
k_{B}	Boltzmann's constant	$1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$
R	Gas constant	8.31 J/mol K
$N_{ m A}$	Avogadro's number	6.02×10^{23} particles/mol
T_0	Absolute zero	−273°C
$p_{\rm atm}$	Standard atmosphere	101,300 Pa
$v_{ m sound}$	Speed of sound in air at 20°C	343 m/s
$m_{\rm p}$	Mass of the proton (and the neutron)	$1.67 \times 10^{-27} \mathrm{kg}$
$m_{\rm e}$	Mass of the electron	$9.11 \times 10^{-31} \mathrm{kg}$
K	Coulomb's law constant $(1/4\pi\epsilon_0)$	$8.99 \times 10^9 \mathrm{N} \mathrm{m}^2/\mathrm{C}^2$
$\epsilon_{\scriptscriptstyle ()}$	Permittivity constant	$8.25 \times 10^{-12} \mathrm{C}^2/\mathrm{N}\;\mathrm{m}^2$
μ_0	Permeability constant	$1.26 \times 10^{-6} \mathrm{T}\mathrm{m/A}$
е	Fundamental unit of charge	$1.60 \times 10^{-19} \mathrm{C}$
C	Speed of light in vacuum	$3.00 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}$
h	Planck's constant	$6.63 \times 10^{-34} \mathrm{J s}$ $4.14 \times 10^{-15} \mathrm{eV s}$
\hbar	Planck's constant	$1.05 \times 10^{-34} \mathrm{J s}$ $6.58 \times 10^{-16} \mathrm{eV s}$
a_{B}	Bohr radius	$5.29 \times 10^{-11} \mathrm{m}$

Common Prefixes

Conversion Factors

Prefix	Meaning	Length	Time
emto-	10^{-15}	1 in = 2.54 cm	1 day = 86,400 s
oico-	10^{-12}	1 mi = 1.609 km	$1 \text{ year} = 3.16 \times 10^7 \text{ s}$
iano-	10^{-9}	1 m = 39.37 in	Pressure
nicro-	10^{-6}	1 km = 0.621 mi	1 atm = 101.3 kPa = 760 mm of
nilli-	10^{-3}	Velocity	$1 \text{ atm} = 14.7 \text{ lb/in}^2$
enti-	10^{-2}	1 mph = 0.447 m/s	Rotation
ilo-	10^{3}	1 m/s = 2.24 mph = 3.28 ft/s	$1 \text{ rad} = 180^{\circ}/\pi = 57.3^{\circ}$
nega-	10^{6}	Mass and energy	$1 \text{ rev} = 360^{\circ} = 2\pi \text{ rad}$
iga-	10^{9}	$1 \text{ u} = 1.661 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$	1 rev/s = 60 rpm
erra-	10^{12}	1 cal = 4.19 J	rievis — oo ipin
		$1 \text{eV} = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{J}$	

Mathematical Approximations

Binominal Approximation: $(1 + x)^n \approx 1 + nx$ if $x \ll 1$

Small-Angle Approximation: $\sin \theta \approx \tan \theta \approx \theta$ and $\cos \theta \approx 1$ if $\theta \ll 1$ radian

Greek Letters Used in Physics

Alpha		α	Nu		ν
Beta		β	Pi		π
Gamma	Γ	γ	Rho		ρ
Delta	Δ	δ	Sigma	Σ	σ
Epsilon		ϵ	Tau		τ
Eta		η	Phi	Φ	ϕ
Theta	Θ	θ	Psi		$\dot{\psi}$
Lambda		λ	Omega	Ω	ω
Mu		μ			

Astronomical Data

Planetary body	Mean distance from sun (m)	Period (years)	Mass (kg)	Mean radius (m)
Sun			1.99×10^{30}	6.96×10^{8}
Moon	$3.84 \times 10^{8*}$	27.3 days	7.36×10^{22}	1.74×10^{6}
Mercury	5.79×10^{10}	0.241	3.18×10^{23}	2.43×10^{6}
Venus	1.08×10^{11}	0.615	4.88×10^{24}	6.06×10^{6}
Earth	1.50×10^{11}	1.00	5.98×10^{24}	6.37×10^{6}
Mars	2.28×10^{11}	1.88	6.42×10^{23}	3.37×10^{6}
Jupiter	7.78×10^{11}	11.9	1.90×10^{27}	6.99×10^{7}
Saturn	1.43×10^{12}	29.5	5.68×10^{26}	5.85×10^{7}
Uranus	2.87×10^{12}	84.0	8.68×10^{25}	2.33×10^{7}
Neptune	4.50×10^{12}	165	1.03×10^{26}	2.21×10^{7}

^{*}Distance from earth

Typical Coefficients of Friction

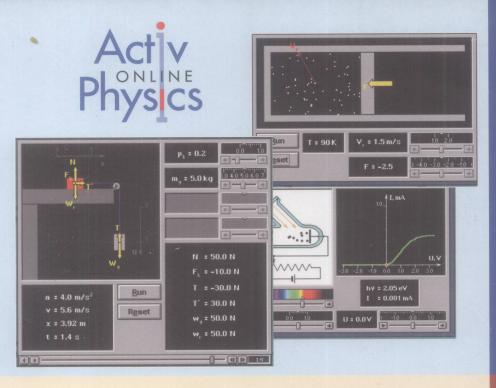
Material	Static $\mu_{\rm s}$	Kinetic μ_k	Rolling $oldsymbol{\mu}_{ ext{r}}$
rubber on concrete	1.00	0.80	0.02
steel on steel (dry)	0.80	0.60	0.002
steel on steel (lubricated)	0.10	0.05	
wood on wood	0.50	0.20	
wood on snow	0.12	0.06	
ice on ice	0.10	0.03	

Properties of Materials

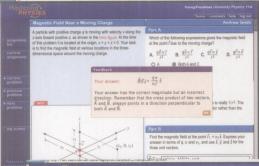
Substance	ρ (kg/m ³)	c (J/kg K)
air at STP*	1.2	
ethyl alcohol	790	2400
gasoline	680	
glycerin	1260	
mercury	13,600	140
oil (typical)	900	
seawater	1030	
water	1000	4190
aluminum	2700	900
copper	8920	385
gold	19,300	129
ice	920	2090
iron	7870	449
lead	11,300	128
silicon	2330	703

^{*}Standard temperature (0°C) and pressure (1 atm)

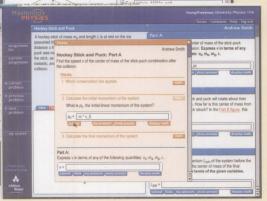
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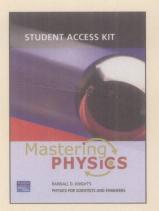


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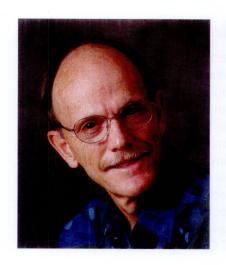
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Preface to the Instructor

In 1997 we published *Physics: A Contemporary Perspective*. This was the first comprehensive, calculus-based textbook to make extensive use of results from physics education research. The development and testing that led to this book had been partially funded by the National Science Foundation. In the preface we noted that it was a "work in progress" and that we very much wanted to hear from users—both instructors and students—to help us shape the book into a final form.

And hear from you we did! We received feedback and reviews from roughly 150 professors and, especially important, 4500 of their students. This textbook, the newly titled *Physics for Scientists and Engineers: A Strategic Approach*, is the result of synthesizing that feedback and using it to produce a book that we hope is uniquely tuned to helping today's students succeed. It is the first introductory textbook built from the ground up on research into how students can more effectively learn physics.

Objectives

My primary goals in writing *Physics for Scientists and Engineers: A Strategic Approach* have been:

- To produce a textbook that is more focused and coherent, less encyclopedic.
- To move key results from physics education research into the classroom in a way that allows instructors to use a range of teaching styles.
- To provide a balance of quantitative reasoning and conceptual understanding, with special attention to concepts known to cause student difficulties.
- To develop students' problem-solving skills in a systematic manner.
- To support an active-learning environment.

These goals and the rationale behind them are discussed at length in my small paperback book, *Five Easy Lessons: Strategies for Successful Physics Teaching* (Addison Wesley, 2002). Please request a copy from your local Addison Wesley sales representative if it would be of interest to you (ISBN 0-8053-8702-1).

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Textbook Organization

The 42-chapter extended edition (ISBN 0-8053-8685-8) of *Physics for Scientists and Engineers* is intended for use in a three-semester course. Most of the 36-chapter standard edition (ISBN 0-8053-8982-2), ending with relativity, can be covered in two semesters, but the judicious omission of a few chapters will avoid rushing through the material and give students more time to develop their knowledge and skills.

There's a growing sentiment that quantum physics is quickly becoming the province of engineers, not just scientists, and that even a two-semester course should include a reasonable introduction to quantum ideas. The *Instructor's Guide* outlines a couple of routes through the book that allow most of the quantum physics chapters to be reached in two semesters. I've written the book with the hope that an increasing number of instructors will choose one of these routes.

- Extended edition, with modern physics (ISBN 0-8053-8685-8): chapters 1–42.
- Standard edition (ISBN 0-8053-8982-2): chapters 1–36.
- Volume 1 (ISBN 0-8053-8963-6) covers mechanics: chapters 1–15.
- Volume 2 (ISBN 0-8053-8966-0) covers thermodynamics: chapters 16–19.
- Volume 3 (ISBN 0-8053-8969-5) covers waves and optics: chapters 20–24.
- Volume 4 (ISBN 0-8053-8972-5) covers electricity and magnetism, plus relativity: chapters 25–36.
- Volume 5 (ISBN 0-8053-8975-X) covers relativity and quantum physics: chapters 36–42.
- Volumes 1–5 boxed set (ISBN 0-8053-8978-4).

The full textbook is divided into seven parts: Part I: Newton's Laws, Part II: Conservation Laws, Part III: Applications of Newtonian Mechanics, Part IV: Thermodynamics, Part V: Waves and Optics, Part VI: Electricity and Magnetism, and Part VII: Relativity and Quantum Mechanics. Although I recommend covering the parts in this order (see below), doing so is by no means essential. Each topic is self-contained, and Parts III–VI can be rearranged to suit an instructor's needs. To facilitate a reordering of topics, the full text is available in the five individual volumes listed in the margin.

Organization Rationale: Thermodynamics is placed before waves because it is a continuation of ideas from mechanics. The key idea in thermodynamics is energy, and moving from mechanics into thermodynamics allows the uninterrupted development of this important idea. Further, waves introduce students to functions of two variables, and the mathematics of waves is more akin to electricity and magnetism than to mechanics. Thus moving from waves to fields to quantum physics provides a gradual transition of ideas and skills.

The purpose of placing optics with waves is to provide a coherent presentation of wave physics, one of the two pillars of classical physics. Optics as it is presented in introductory physics makes no use of the properties of electromagnetic fields. There's little reason other than historical tradition to delay optics until after E&M. The documented difficulties that students have with optics are difficulties with waves, not difficulties with electricity and magnetism. However, the optics chapters are easily deferred until the end of Part VI for instructors who prefer that ordering of topics.

More Effective Problem-Solving Instruction

Careful and systematic instruction is provided on all aspects of problem solving. Some of the features that support this approach are described here, and more details are provided in the *Instructor's Guide*.

- An emphasis on using *multiple representations*—descriptions in words, pictures, graphs, and mathematics—to look at a problem from many perspectives.
- The explicit use of *models*, such as the particle model, the wave model, and the field model, to help students recognize and isolate the essential features of a physical process.
- TACTICS BOXES for the development of particular skills, such as drawing a free-body diagram or using Lenz's law. Tactics Box steps are explicitly illustrated in subsequent worked examples, and these are often the starting point of a full problem-solving strategy.

TACTICS BOX 4.3 Drawing a free-body diagram

- Identify all forces acting on the object. This step was described in Tactics Box 4.2.
- Oraw a coordinate system. Use the axes defined in your pictorial representation. If those axes are tilted, for motion along an incline, then the axes of the free-body diagram should be similarly tilted.
- Represent the object as a dot at the origin of the coordinate axes. This is the particle model.
- O Draw vectors representing each of the identified forces. This was described in Tactics Box 4.1. Be sure to label each force vector.
- **9 Draw and label the** *net force* **vector** \vec{F}_{net} **.** Draw this vector beside the diagram, not on the particle. Or, if appropriate, write $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \vec{0}$. Then check that \vec{F}_{net} points in the same direction as the acceleration vector \vec{a} on your motion diagram.

TACTICS BOX 32.2 Evaluating line integrals

• If \vec{B} is everywhere perpendicular to a line, the line integral of \vec{B} is

$$\int_{i}^{f} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$$

② If \vec{B} is everywhere tangent to a line of length L and has the same magnitude B at every point, the line integral of \vec{B} is

$$\int_{0}^{f} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = BL$$





- PROBLEM-SOLVING STRATEGIES that help students develop confidence and more proficient problem-solving skills through the use of a consistent four-step approach: MODEL, VISUALIZE, SOLVE, ASSESS. Strategies are provided for each broad class of problems, such as dynamics problems or problems involving electromagnetic induction. The icon directs students to the specially developed *Skill Builder* tutorial problems in MasteringPhysicsTM (see page xi), where they can interactively work through each of these strategies online.
- Worked EXAMPLES that illustrate good problem-solving practices through the consistent use of the four-step problem-solving approach and, where appropriate, the Tactics Box steps. The worked examples are often very detailed and carefully lead the student step by step through the *reasoning* behind the solution, not just through the numerical calculations. Steps that are often implicit or omitted in other text-books, because they seem so obvious to experts, are explicitly discussed since research has shown these are often the points where students become confused.
- NOTE ➤ Paragraphs within worked examples caution against common mistakes and point out useful tips for tackling problems.
- The *Student Workbook* (see page xi), a unique component of this text, bridges the gap between worked examples and end-of-chapter problems. It provides qualitative problems and exercises that focus on developing the skills and conceptual understanding necessary to solve problems with confidence.
- Approximately 3000 original and diverse *end-of-chapter problems* have been carefully crafted to exercise and test the full range of qualitative and quantitative problem-solving skills. *Exercises*, which are keyed to specific sections, allow students to practice basic skills and computations. *Problems* require a better understanding of the material and often draw upon multiple representations of knowledge. *Challenge Problems* are more likely to use calculus, utilize ideas from more than one chapter, and sometimes lead students to explore topics that weren't explicitly covered in the chapter.



PROBLEM-SOLVING STRATEGY 5.2 Dynamics problems

MODEL Make simplifying assumptions.

VISUALIZE

Pictorial representation. Show important points in the motion with a sketch, establish a coordinate system, define symbols, and identify what the problem is trying to find. This is the process of translating words to symbols.

Physical representation. Use a motion diagram to determine the object's acceleration vector \vec{a} . Then identify all forces acting on the object and show them on a free-body diagram.

It's OK to go back and forth between these two steps as you visualize the situation.

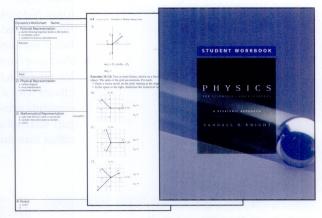
SOLVE The mathematical representation is based on Newton's second law

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \sum \vec{F}_i = m\vec{a}$$

The vector sum of the forces is found directly from the free-body diagram. Depending on the problem, either

- Solve for the acceleration, then use kinematics to find velocities and positions, or
- Use kinematics to determine the acceleration, then solve for unknown forces.

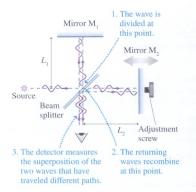
ASSESS Check that your result has the correct units, is reasonable, and answers the question.



Proven Features to Promote Deeper Understanding

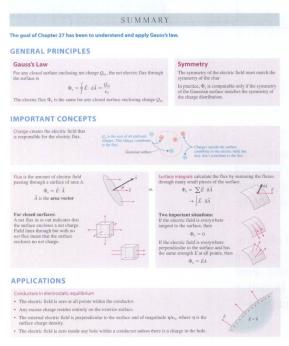
Research has shown that many students taking calculus-based physics arrive with a wealth of misconceptions and subsequently struggle to develop a coherent understanding of the subject. Using a number of unique, reinforcing techniques, this book tackles these issues head-on to enable students to build a solid foundation of understanding.

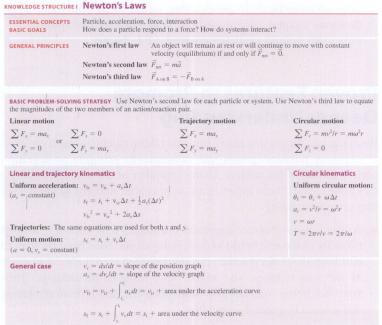
A concrete-to-abstract approach introduces new concepts through observations about the real world and everyday experience. Step by step, the text then builds up the concepts and principles needed by a theory that will make sense of the observations and make new, testable predictions. This inductive approach better matches how students learn, and it reinforces how physics—and science in general—operates.



Annotated **FIGURE** showing the operation of the Michelson interferometer.

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The Student Workbook

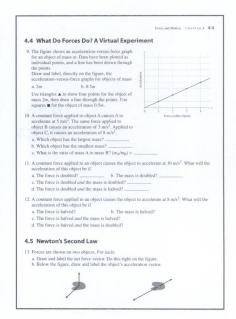
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