Advanced Writing in Physics

Periods 1 - 2 (W)

Course No.: PHY.P610 Lecture Two Notes

Lecture Review

Yesterday, we reviewed the skill pyramid that you should work towards (reading \rightarrow listening \rightarrow writing \rightarrow speaking) in physics communication. Special attention was given to the requirements of reading in physics, focusing on finding abstracts in English via research themes and topic key words:

Abstract \leftrightarrow research theme \leftrightarrow key words

In particular, each student was asked to express their research **theme** and speciality in order to understand topical **key words** in both languages. We finished with the importance of the word "analyzing" as it relates to physics.

Relevant Websites

http://falstad.com/mathphysics.html

http://phys.educ.ksu.edu

http://daugerresearch.com/orbitals/index.shtml

http://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulations/category/new

http://toutestquantique.fr

https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/physics/quvis/

Homework One

1. You are to "analyze" one physics simulation from the above list by answering, in no more than 200 words, the following: "What is this simulation trying to teach, how is it trying to teach its theme, and is it an important topic for students to understand?" You should write your answer in your native language first, then write it in English.

For Next Class

For 20 April, please make sure to bring your laptop and journal notebook. We will discuss Homework One and use it to edit your simulation write-up (Analyzing and Assesing).

(If you have any problems accessing the above websites or videos, please let me know).