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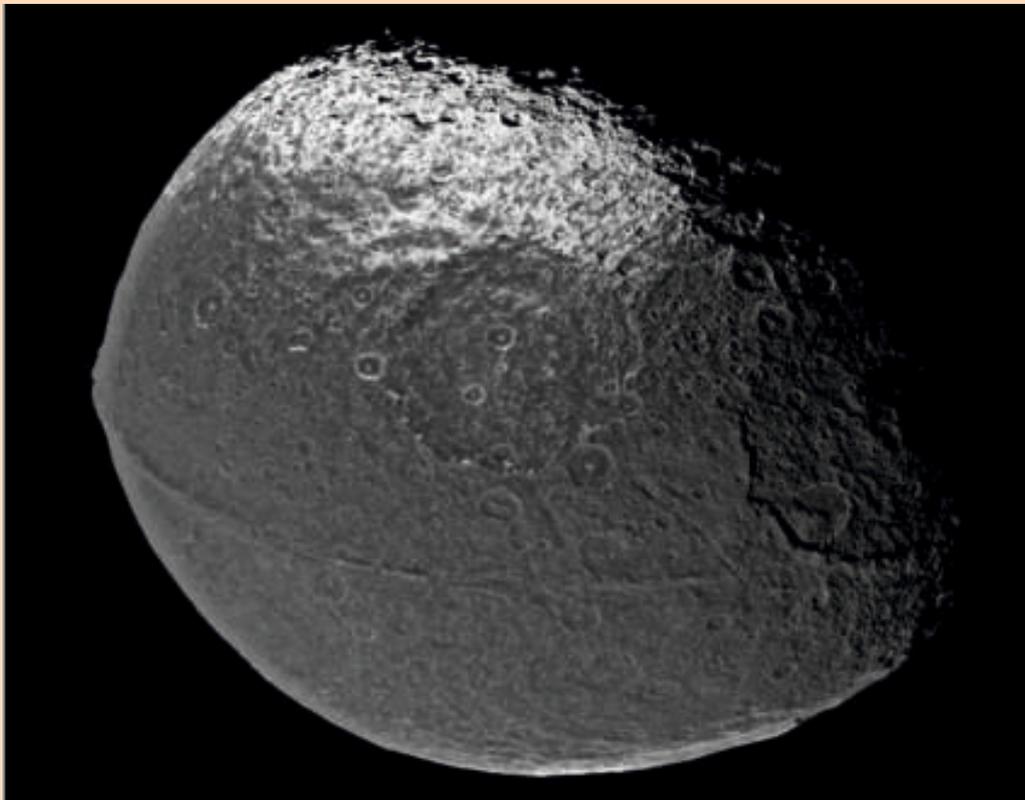


Figure 1: Saturn's Iapetus: Moon with a Strange Surface

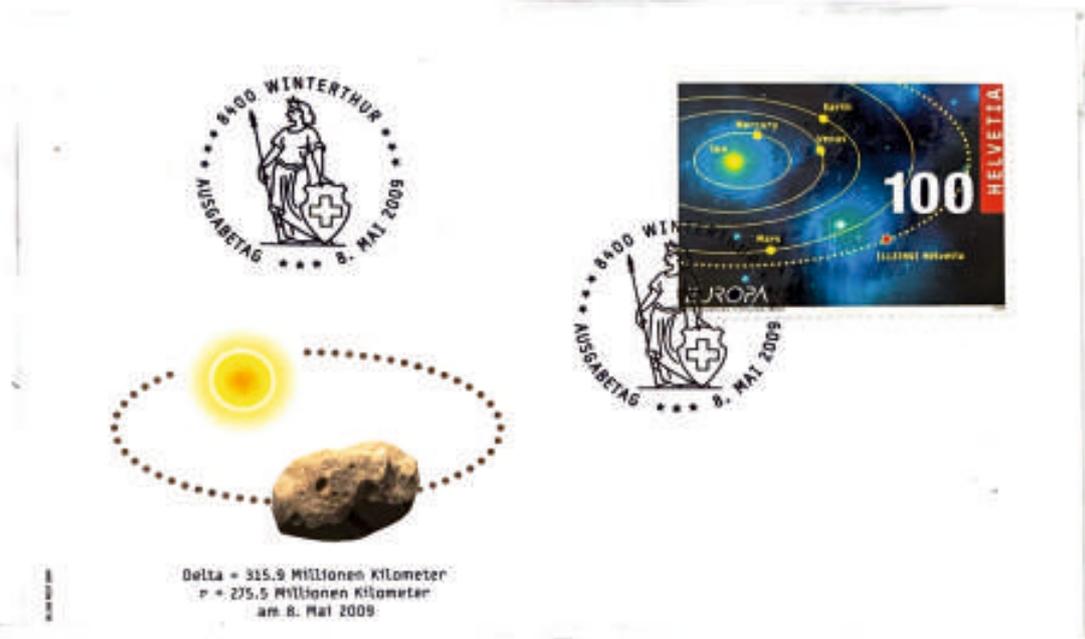
What would make a moon look like a walnut? A strange ridge that circles Saturn's moon Iapetus's equator, visible near the bottom of the featured image, makes it appear similar to a popular edible nut. The origin of the ridge remains unknown, though, with hypotheses including ice that welled up from below, a ring that crashed down from above, and structure left over from its formation perhaps 100 million years ago. Also strange is that about half of Iapetus is so dark that it can nearly disappear when viewed from Earth, while the rest is, reflectively, quite bright. Observations show that the degree of darkness of the terrain is strangely uniform, as if a dark coating was somehow recently applied to an ancient and highly cratered surface. Last, several large impact basins occur around Iapetus, with a 400-kilometer wide crater visible near the image center, surrounded by deep cliffs that drop sharply to the crater floor. The featured image was taken by the Saturn-orbiting Cassini spacecraft during a flyby of Iapetus at the end of 2004.

# The Story Of Cosmology Through Post Stamps 1

## THE NEW VIEW OF THE SKY

## SMALL SOLAR SYSTEM BODIES-ASTEROIDS

Asteroids are rocky, airless remnant leftover rubble about 4.6 billion years ago, orbiting the Sun between Mars and Jupiter within main Asteroid belt there are millions of asteroids, the largest one is Ceres.940km across & smallest ever studied is 2m wide space rock. First asteroid Ceres was discovered in 1801 by Giuseppe Piazzi



**FDC- stamp** depict asteroid *113390 Helvetia*, 2.2km in diameter, from the inner region of asteroid belt, discovered on 29 Sept.2002 by Swiss astronomer-Markus Griesser.This *Florian* asteroid named after swiss national symbol, Helvetia



**Se tenant pair** depicting an asteroid *Goborovo* discovered on April 1,1976. Named after Bulgarian town Goborovo, which is known as city of humour (as April 1st is also linked with fun and humour) **Carl friedrich Gauss**-first to calculate the orbit of asteroids



Unperforated stamp-depict Pluto and its orbital plane-it is a Dwarf planet in the Kuiper belt. In 2006 Pluto had been excluded from the list of planets of solar system by IAU and classified as dwarf planet or plutoid

Asteroid 2867*Steins* (diamond in the sky) discovered in 1969 named due to its diamond like shape.5 km in diameter, discovered by Nikolo Chernykh

**Ceres** -roman Goddess of crop- also name of first discovered asteroid

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## Hands on Minds on Spaces of IAPT & Tasks Ahead

When IAPT was founded, it was with a vision which was dreamt by the founders after identifying the ills of the system prevailing at that time. In March issue of IAPT bulletin in 1984, Prof. DP Khandelwal wrote:

“... the base of science education has failed to show any improvement...”

“...About laboratories situation is worse. At a recent Conference, during discussions on the laboratory, a senior physicist of a neighboring country commented- Why laboratory at all...”

I don't need to comment, our teachers in schools, colleges and universities can testify the truth of the statements. Unfortunately, situation has gone from bad to worse with covid giving a push down the hill. In the past 40 years, IAPT has shown the way with its resolve both in terms of knowledge, human and networked resources, but it has yet to create an impact as a most sought after forum for physics teaching, learning and creating. This needs introspection.



- National standard examinations in Secondary Schools and Colleges;
- NANI network;
- National Competitions in innovative experiments in physics,
- Essay writing in physics, and computational physics;
- Innovation Hubs;
- Students Journal of Physics;
- National Competition of Photo Essay on Physics;
- Facebook page: Let us Solve It (Lusi);
- Conduct of Asian Physics Olympiad, Junior Science Olympiad and International Physics Olympiad;

- Annual IAPT Symposium and Convention;
- Annual National Student Symposium in Physics;
- Centre of Science Culture, Midnapur;
- Prof. Babu Lal Saraf Annual Workshop on Experimental Physics;
- Nagpur IAPT Centre (In limbo);
- Asian Physics Olympiad Laboratory at GEHU, Dehradun;
- Incentivization of best performing RCs;
- IAPT DSM best teacher award;
- Regional activities generated by RCs.

Besides these all-regional councils and sub regional councils organize their programs and carry forward the mission and objectives of IAPT. Celebration of Birth centenary of Prof. DP Khandelwal has shown us how a sustained program can initiate dialogue to give a relook to our achievements and approaches to generate new ideas. These all constitute our hands on minds on spaces and need to be more aspirational, innovative and handholding in nature. This also require identifying talent around us among, our young colleagues and nurture them further to come forward to take on responsibilities.

A week ago there was a very interesting and uplifting news from Innovation Hub at Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya Indore where it has been established as one of the 42 hubs around the country. Students in the hub were drawn from rural hinterland of Madhya Pradesh, Gram Baroli. In the hub 50 students accompanied by 4 teachers were seen fully involved in exploring and enjoying experiments led by Prof. Uttam Sharma, indeed an Uttam act. Thanks to Prof. YK Vijay who has carried Prof. Babu Lal Saraf's legacy out in the hands of teachers and students.

Recently some steps have been initiated to document our work and to make it available to its stake holders on day today basis. Prof. Santosh Joshi has done a commendable job in e-publishing awarded essays under the theseries title *An Ensemble of Surround Physics*, a valuable resource for the students' teachers and general readers. Prof. Ananth Krishnan, Dr. Rekha Ghorpade, Dr. Vijay Somen and Dr. Geetha Subbaiya have taken upon them the task of publishing awarded innovative experiments in the form of another e-book, which is likely to provide us a relook at our efforts. Maybe we need to do the same for computational physics at the earliest and initiate a journal on *Computational Thinking, Modelling and Computer Simulations*. Under the banner of NANI IAPT, mentored by Prof. HC Verma a very large number of *Anveshikas* are functioning. A commendable documentation of the NANI resources is also available which needs to be made available after compilation as e-publications on the IAPT website. *Student Journal of Physics* being run from Institute of Physics, Bhuwaneshwar is an underutilized platform and is not known to even IAPT community as a journal for students where results of students' projects can be published as their first research communication after peer review. Physics Education is in dormancy and despite our best efforts has not resumed its e-publication, IAPT is after them to start publishing again. In the case of these journals a revamp in attracting young readers is desirable, by bringing exposure through review articles and theme based special issues particularly on Physics Education Research.



Strengthening and expanding the network of regional councils is need of the hour. Is one regional council enough for big states like Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Orissa, Tamil Nādu, Madhya Pradesh, west Bengal, Rajasthan, Gujrat and Telangana? Sub regional councils must be created in these states. Their creation can help us reach out to the unreached. May be Delhi and Haryana need to have separate regional Councils.

Lately work has been initiated by Prof. K.N. Joshipura to go deeper into secondary school level Physics Curriculum (class 11 and 12), which is being revamped and needs to be at par with the futuristic needs of students of physics and allied sciences. Can we do without curtailing its content in the name of load shedding?

We propose to conduct a country wide *Force Concept Inventory Survey* to know the reality on ground about efficacy of our teaching learning processes prevailing in a very heterogeneous mix of our schools and first year college students. Prof Vijay Singh and Dr. Himanshu Pandey have already translated this survey in Hindi and translation in other languages is in progress. IAPT is in touch with very distinguished resource persons to complete this work at the earliest so that next phase of validating each translated work may be accomplished soon.

Survey done by DP Khandelwal committee, headed by Prof. SC Samantha, regarding status of physics lab practices has reported a very depressing outlook. It is being given a closer look to write a white paper for the concerned authorities who are supposed to look into the decline of lab practices over the last three decades and provide scaffolding for their resurrection. Assessment is the biggest issue there and giving 100 percent marks to students is the biggest embarrassment for the education system in the country. Some ethical issues are involved besides infrastructural constraints, for which teachers need to be more sensitized than students. Can IAPT rise to this to show the path ahead paved with difficulties and reluctances all the way?

Through this edit I have tried to raise some green flags and some red flags. Green flags give us courage to go ahead and red flags should make us resolve to find workable solutions to the problems. After all as physics students we are trained in problem solving acts through critical thinking, mathematical thinking, computational thinking and thinking out of the box. I hope these solemn issues will bring out your thoughts offering solutions, which we would like to publish in our future issues of IAPT Bulletin. Come forward and share. Now we are 24X7 ready with IAPT's own zoom license, covid has made us learn the benefit of online reach out. It can be a game changer, RC's must plan activities, webinars, workshops, panel discussions. Let us shake hands virtually and identify young faculty from schools, colleges, universities and Higher Education Institutions. Professor Akhilesh Tiwari from IIIT Pryagraj has been instrumental in making this happen along with members of the IAPT web team. Work is in Progress on the dynamic website of IAPT, which is expected to improve our connectivity with the members in a big way. We need to ideate, innovate and implement. No doubt silence is gold, but let us also remember speech is silver and writing is the silver lining. A body of ten thousand members with huge experience and fortitude can indeed make a difference. We have no dearth of inspiration, Birth Centenary Celebrations of Prof. BL Saraf and Prof. HS Hans is the best way to keep feeling inspired.

**PK Ahluwalia**  
President IAPT

## PHYSICS NEWS

### Neutrons reveal key to extraordinary heat transport

Warming a crystal of the mineral fersite, Oak Ridge National Laboratory scientists discovered that excitations called phasons carried heat three times farther and faster than phonons, the excitations that usually carry heat through a material. In most crystals, atomic vibrations propagate excited waves through the lattice as phonons. However, in certain crystals, atomic rearrangements also propagate excited waves as phasons. Because phasons can move faster than sound, physicists anticipated they would excel at moving heat.

The team mapped paths of phasons and phonons and characterized their vibrations at ORNL's Spallation Neutron Source and measured the transport of heat through the lattice. The results may help theorists improve accuracy for heat transport simulations of energy materials.

**Read more at:** <https://phys.org/news/2023-02-neutrons-reveal-key-extraordinary.html>

**Original paper:** Physical Review Letters (2022). DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevLett.129.255901

### When material goes quantum, electrons slow down and form a crystal

Interference effect occurs when scientists stack two-dimensional crystals with mismatched atomic spacings. Moiré superlattices display exotic physical properties that are absent in the layers that make up the patterns. These properties are rooted in the quantum nature of electrons. Researchers have discovered a new property in the moiré superlattices formed in crystals made of tungsten diselenide/tungsten disulfide ( $WSe_2/WS_2$ ). In these two-dimensional crystals, the interactions between electrons become so strong that electrons "freeze" and form an ordered array.

In  $WSe_2/WS_2$ , electrons interact so strongly that they even avoid sitting on neighboring sites. This rare phenomenon is known as Wigner electron crystal. LBNL researchers also demonstrated that in  $WSe_2/WS_2$ , light with appropriate polarization interacts with spin-up and spin-down electrons separately, making it possible to selectively change the energy of electrons based on their spin. In doing so, they observed spin excitations persisting orders of magnitude longer than charge excitations. This opens the door for the future investigation of exotic spin states such as quantum spin liquidity.

**Read more at:** <https://phys.org/news/2023-02-material-quantum-electrons-crystal.html>

**Original paper:** Nature (2020) 

### Unusual atom helps in search for universe's building blocks

An unusual form of cesium atom is helping a University of Queensland-led research team unmask unknown particles that make up the universe. An unusual atom made up of an ordinary cesium atom and an elementary particle called a muon may prove essential in better understanding the universe's fundamental building blocks.

Astrophysical and cosmological observations have shown that the matter we know about commonly referred to as 'Standard Model' particles in physics makes up only five percent of the matter and energy content of the universe. The search for dark matter particles lies at the forefront of particle physics research, and their work with cesium might prove essential in solving this mystery. Through theoretical research, Dr. Ginges and her team have improved the understanding of the magnetic structure of cesium's nucleus, its effects in atomic cesium and the effects of the weird and wonderful muon. The researchers said the new approach can offer greater sensitivity and an alternative technique to finding new particles, through the use of precision atomic measurements. This can be a more sensitive technique unveiling particles that particle colliders simply can't see.

**Read more at:** <https://phys.org/news/2023-02-unusual-atom-universe-blocks.html>

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## Nanotechnology: A Multi-disciplinary technology of 21<sup>st</sup> Century

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Nanoscience is the study, and nanotechnology is the exploitation, of the strange properties of materials smaller than 100 nanometers to create new useful objects. Nanotechnology is also called Engineering at the molecular level. It is a multi-disciplinary area of applied science and engineering focused on the design, synthesis, characterization and application of materials and devices on the nanoscale, whose structures and components exhibit novel and significantly improved physical, chemical and biological properties, phenomena and processes due to their nanoscale size.

Nanomaterials have the structural features in between of those of atoms and the bulk materials. While most micro structured materials have similar properties to the corresponding bulk materials, the properties of materials with nanometer dimensions are significantly different from those of atoms and bulks materials. This is mainly due to the nanometer size of the materials which render them: (i) large fraction of surface atoms; (ii) high surface energy; (iii) spatial confinement; (iv) reduced imperfections, which do not exist in the corresponding bulk materials. Due to their small dimensions, nanomaterials have extremely large surface area to volume ratio, which makes a large fraction of atoms of the materials to be the surface or interfacial atoms, resulting in more “surface” dependent material properties. This in turn may enhance or modify the properties of the bulk materials. The nanometer feature sizes of nanomaterials also have spatial confinement effect on the materials, which bring the quantum effects. Nanoparticles can be viewed as a zero-dimension quantum dot while various nanowires and nanotubes can be viewed as quantum wires. The quantum confinement of nanomaterials has profound effects on the properties of nanomaterials. Reduced imperfections are also an important factor in determination of the properties of the nanomaterials. Nanostructures and nanomaterials favors of a self-purification process in that the impurities and intrinsic

material defects will move to near the surface upon thermal annealing. This increased materials perfection affects the properties of nanomaterials.

During the real bursting of nanotechnology in the past decade, nanotechnology has become a real interdisciplinary research field in which many physicists, chemists, biologists, materials science and other specialists are involved. Nanoelectronics devices based on new nanomaterials systems and new device structures will contribute to the development of next generation of microelectronics. For example, single electron transistor and field effect transistor based on single wall carbon nanotubes are already on the way. Further, nanotechnology is also expanded extensively to other fields of interest due to the novel properties of nanomaterials discovered and to be discovered. For example, nanowires can be potentially used in nanophotonic, laser, nanoelectronics, solar cells, resonators and high sensitivity sensors. Nanoparticles can be potentially used in catalysts, functional coatings, nanoelectronics, energy storage, drug delivery and biomedicines. Nanostructured thin films can be used in light emitting devices, displays and high efficiency photovoltaics. Nano investigations, being widely interdisciplinary by their very nature, promote the joining and merging of the various science and technology fields such as powder technology, colloid chemistry, surface chemistry and physics, clusters and aerosols, tribology, catalysis, simulation and modeling, computer technique, etc. Due to size tunable photo-physical and photo-chemical properties, intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductor nanomaterials seem to be good candidates for next era optoelectronic industrial applications like fast & efficient phosphors.

Nanotechnology is likely to have a profound impact on our economy and society in the early twenty-first century, comparable to that of semiconductor technology, information technology, or cellular and

molecular biology. It is widely felt that nanotechnology will be the next industrial revolution.

### **Applications of Nanotechnology**

With nanotechnology, a large set of materials and improved products rely on a change in the physical properties when the feature sizes are shrunk. Nanoparticles, for example, take advantage of their dramatically increased surface area to volume ratio. Their optical properties, e.g. [fluorescence](#), become a function of the particle diameter. When brought into a bulk material, nanoparticles can strongly influence the mechanical properties of the material, like stiffness or elasticity. For example, traditional [polymers](#) can be reinforced by nanoparticles resulting in novel materials which can be used as lightweight replacements for metals. Therefore, an increasing societal benefit of such nanoparticles can be expected. Such nanotechnologically enhanced materials will enable a weight reduction accompanied by an increase in stability and improved functionality. Practical nanotechnology is essentially the increasing ability to manipulate (with precision) matter on previously impossible scales, presenting possibilities which many could never have imagined - it therefore seems unsurprising that few areas of human technology are exempt from the benefits which nanotechnology could potentially bring.

### **Medicine**

The biological and medical research communities have exploited the unique properties of nanomaterials for various applications (e.g., contrast agents for cell imaging and therapeutics for treating cancer). Terms such as *biomedical nanotechnology*, *nanobiotechnology*, and *nanomedicine* are used to describe this hybrid field. Functionalities can be added to nanomaterials by interfacing them with biological molecules or structures. The size of nanomaterials is similar to that of most biological molecules and structures; therefore, nanomaterials can be useful for both in vivo and in vitro biomedical research and applications. Thus far, the integration of nanomaterials with biology has led to the development of diagnostic devices, contrast agents, analytical tools, physical therapy applications, and drug delivery vehicles.

### **Diagnostics**

Nanotechnology-on-a-chip is one more dimension of lab-on-a-chip technology. Magnetic nanoparticles, bound to a suitable antibody, are used to label specific molecules, structures or microorganisms. Gold nanoparticles tagged with short segments of DNA can be used for detection of genetic sequence in a sample. Multicolor optical coding for biological assays has been achieved by embedding different-sized quantum dots into polymeric microbeads. Nanopore technology for analysis of nucleic acids converts strings of nucleotides directly into electronic signatures.

### **Drug delivery**

Nanotechnology has been a boon for the medical field by delivering drugs to specific cells using nanoparticles. The overall drug consumption and side-effects can be lowered significantly by depositing the active agent in the morbid region only and in no higher dose than needed. This highly selective approach reduces costs and human suffering. An example can be found in dendrimers and nanoporous materials. Another example is to use block co-polymers, which form micelles for drug encapsulation. They could hold small drug molecules transporting them to the desired location. Another vision is based on small electromechanical systems; NEMS are being investigated for the active release of drugs. Some potentially important applications include cancer treatment with iron nanoparticles or gold shells. A targeted or personalized medicine reduces the drug consumption and treatment expenses resulting in an overall societal benefit by reducing the costs to the public health system. Nanotechnology is also opening up new opportunities in implantable delivery systems, which are often preferable to the use of injectable drugs, because the latter frequently display first-order kinetics (the blood concentration goes up rapidly, but drops exponentially over time). This rapid rise may cause difficulties with toxicity, and drug efficacy can diminish as the drug concentration falls below the targeted range.

Buckyballs can "interrupt" the allergy/immune response by preventing mast cells (which cause allergic response) from releasing histamine into the blood and

tissues, by binding to free radicals "dramatically better than any anti-oxidant currently available, such as vitamin E".

### **Tissue engineering**

Nanotechnology can help to reproduce or to repair damaged tissue. "Tissue engineering" makes use of artificially stimulated cell proliferation by using suitable nanomaterial-based scaffolds and growth factors. For example, bones can be regrown on carbon nanotube scaffolds. Tissue engineering might replace today's conventional treatments like organ transplants or artificial implants. Advanced forms of tissue engineering may lead to life extension.

### **Environment Filtration**

A strong influence of photochemistry on waste-water treatment, air purification and energy storage devices is to be expected. Mechanical or chemical methods can be used for effective filtration techniques. One class of filtration techniques is based on the use of membranes with suitable hole sizes, whereby the liquid is pressed through the membrane. Nanoporous membranes are suitable for a mechanical filtration with extremely small pores smaller than 10 nm ("nanofiltration") and may be composed of nanotubes. Nanofiltration is mainly used for the removal of ions or the separation of different fluids. On a larger scale, the membrane filtration technique is named ultrafiltration, which works down to between 10 and 100 nm. One important field of application for ultrafiltration is medical purposes as can be found in renal dialysis. Magnetic nanoparticles offer an effective and reliable method to remove heavy metal contaminants from waste water by making use of magnetic separation techniques. Using nanoscale particles increases the efficiency to absorb the contaminants and is comparatively inexpensive compared to traditional precipitation and filtration methods.

Some water-treatment devices incorporating nanotechnology are already on the market, with more in development. Low-cost nanostructured separation membranes methods have been shown to be effective in producing potable water in a recent study.

### **Energy**

The most advanced nanotechnology projects related to energy are: storage, conversion, manufacturing improvements by reducing materials and process rates, energy saving (by better thermal insulation for example), and enhanced renewable energy sources.

#### **Reduction of energy consumption**

A reduction of energy consumption can be reached by better insulation systems, by the use of more efficient lighting or combustion systems, and by use of lighter and stronger materials in the transportation sector. Currently used light bulbs only convert approximately 5% of the electrical energy into light. Nanotechnological approaches like [light-emitting diodes](#) (LEDs) or quantum-caged atoms (QCA) could lead to a strong reduction of energy consumption for illumination.

#### **Increasing the efficiency of energy production**

Today's best solar cells have layers of several different semiconductors stacked together to absorb light at different energies but they still only manage to use 40 percent of the Sun's energy. Commercially available solar cells have much lower efficiencies (15-20%). Nanotechnology could help increase the efficiency of light conversion by using nanostructures with a continuum of band gaps. The degree of efficiency of the internal combustion engine is about 30-40% at the moment. Nanotechnology could improve combustion by designing specific catalysts with maximized surface area. In 2005, scientists at the University of Toronto developed a spray-on nanoparticle substance that, when applied to a surface, instantly transforms it into a solar collector.

### **Information and communication**

Current high-technology production processes are based on traditional top down strategies, where nanotechnology has already been introduced silently. The critical length scale of integrated circuits is already at the nanoscale (50 nm and below) regarding the gate length of transistors in CPUs or DRAM devices.

#### **Memory Storage**

Electronic memory designs in the past have largely

relied on the formation of transistors. However, research into crossbar switch based electronics have offered an alternative using reconfigurable interconnections between vertical and horizontal wiring arrays to create ultra high density memories. Two leaders in this area are Nantero which has developed a carbon nanotube based crossbar memory called NanoRAM and Hewlett-Packard which has proposed the use of memristor material as a future replacement of Flash memory.

### **Novel semiconductor devices**

An example of such novel devices is based on spintronics. The dependence of the resistance of a material (due to the spin of the electrons) on an external field is called magnetoresistance. This effect can be significantly amplified (GMR - Giant Magneto-Resistance) for nanosized objects, for example when two ferromagnetic layers are separated by a nonmagnetic layer, which is several nanometers thick (e.g. Co-Cu-Co). The GMR effect has led to a strong increase in the data storage density of hard disks and made the gigabyte range possible. The so called tunneling magnetoresistance (TMR) is very similar to GMR and based on the spin dependent tunneling of electrons through adjacent ferromagnetic layers. Both GMR and TMR effects can be used to create a non-volatile main memory for computers, such as the so called magnetic random access memory or MRAM.

In 1999, the ultimate CMOS transistor developed at the Laboratory for Electronics and Information Technology in Grenoble, France, tested the limits of the principles of the MOSFET transistor with a diameter of 18 nm (approximately 70 atoms placed side by side). This was almost one tenth the size of the smallest industrial transistor in 2003 (130 nm in 2003, 90 nm in 2004, 65 nm in 2005 and 45 nm in 2007). It enabled the theoretical integration of seven billion junctions on a €1 coin. However, the CMOS transistor, which was created in 1999, was not a simple research experiment to study how CMOS technology functions, but rather a demonstration of how this technology functions now that we ourselves are getting ever closer to working on a molecular scale. Today it would be impossible to master the coordinated assembly of a large number of

these transistors on a circuit and it would also be impossible to create this on an industrial level.

### **Novel optoelectronic devices**

In the modern communication technology traditional analog electrical devices are increasingly replaced by optical or optoelectronic devices due to their enormous bandwidth and capacity, respectively. Two promising examples are [photonic crystals](#) and quantum dots. Photonic crystals are materials with a periodic variation in the refractive index with a lattice constant that is half the wavelength of the light used. They offer a selectable band gap for the propagation of a certain wavelength, thus they resemble a semiconductor, but for light or photons instead of [electrons](#). Quantum dots are nanoscaled objects, which can be used, among many other things, for the construction of lasers. The advantage of a quantum dot laser over the traditional semiconductor laser is that their emitted wavelength depends on the diameter of the dot. Quantum dot lasers are cheaper and offer a higher beam quality than conventional laser diodes.

### **Displays**

The production of displays with low energy consumption could be accomplished using carbon nanotubes (CNT). Carbon nanotubes are electrically conductive and due to their small diameter of several nanometers, they can be used as field emitters with extremely high efficiency for field emission displays (FED). The principle of operation resembles that of the cathode ray tube, but on a much smaller length scale.

### **Quantum computers**

Entirely new approaches for computing exploit the laws of quantum mechanics for novel quantum computers, which enable the use of fast quantum algorithms. The Quantum computer has quantum bit memory space termed "Qubit" for several computations at the same time. This facility may improve the performance of the older systems.

### **Heavy Industry**

An inevitable use of nanotechnology will be in heavy industry.

## **Aerospace**

Lighter and stronger materials will be of immense use to aircraft manufacturers, leading to increased performance. Spacecraft will also benefit, where weight is a major factor. Nanotechnology would help to reduce the size of equipment and there by decrease fuel-consumption required to get it airborne. Hang gliders may be able to halve their weight while increasing their strength and toughness through the use of nanotech materials. Nanotech is lowering the mass of supercapacitors that will increasingly be used to give power to assistive electrical motors for launching hang gliders off flatland to thermal-chasing altitudes.

## **Catalysis**

Chemical catalysis benefits especially from nanoparticles, due to the extremely large surface to volume ratio. The application potential of nanoparticles in catalysis ranges from fuel cell to catalytic converters and photo catalytic devices. Catalysis is also important for the production of chemicals. The synthesis provides novel materials with tailored features and chemical properties: for example, nanoparticles with a distinct chemical surrounding (ligands), or specific optical properties. In this sense, chemistry is indeed a basic nanoscience. In a short-term perspective, chemistry will provide novel “nanomaterials” and in the long run, superior processes such as “self-assembly” will enable energy and time preserving strategies. In a sense, all chemical synthesis can be understood in terms of nanotechnology, because of its ability to manufacture certain molecules. Thus, chemistry forms a base for nanotechnology providing tailor-made molecules, polymers, etcetera, as well as clusters and [nanoparticles](#). Platinum nanoparticles are now being considered in the next generation of automotive catalytic converters because the very high surface area of nanoparticles could reduce the amount of platinum required. However, some concerns have been raised due to experiments demonstrating that they will spontaneously combust if methane is mixed with the ambient air. Ongoing research at the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS) in France may resolve their true usefulness for catalytic applications. Nanofiltration may come to be an important

application, although future research must be careful to investigate possible toxicity.

## **Construction**

Nanotechnology has the potential to make construction faster, cheaper, safer, and more varied. Automation of nanotechnology construction can allow for the creation of structures from advanced homes to massive skyscrapers much more quickly and at much lower cost.

### **Nanotechnology and constructions**

Nanotechnology is one of the most active research areas that encompass a number of disciplines Such as electronics, biomechanics and coatings including civil engineering and construction materials.

The use of nanotechnology in construction involves the development of new concept and understanding of the hydration of cement particles and the use of nano-size ingredients such as alumina and silica and other nanoparticles. The manufactures also investigating the methods of manufacturing of nano-cement. If cement with nano-size particles can be manufactured and processed, it will open up a large number of opportunities in the fields of ceramics, high strength composites and electronic applications. Since at the nanoscale the properties of the material are different from that of their bulk counter parts. When materials becomes nano-sized, the proportion of atoms on the surface increases relative to those inside and this leads to novel properties. Some applications of nanotechnology in construction are describe below.

### **Nanoparticles and steel**

Steel has been widely available material and has a major role in the construction industry. The use of nanotechnology in steel helps to improve the properties of steel. The fatigue, which led to the structural failure of steel due to cyclic loading, such as in bridges or towers. The current steel designs are based on the reduction in the allowable stress, service life or regular inspection regime. This has a significant impact on the life-cycle costs of structures and limits the effective use of resources. The Stress risers are responsible for initiating cracks from which fatigue failure results. The

addition of copper nanoparticles reduces the surface unevenness of steel which then limits the number of stress risers and hence fatigue cracking. Advancements in this technology using nanoparticles would lead to increased safety, less need for regular inspection regime and more efficient materials free from fatigue issues for construction. The nano-size steel produce stronger steel cables which can be in bridge construction. Also these stronger cable material would reduce the costs and period of construction, especially in suspension bridges as the cables are run from end to end of the span. This would require high strength joints which leads to the need for high strength bolts. The capacity of high strength bolts is obtained through quenching and tempering. The microstructures of such products consist of tempered martensite. When the tensile strength of tempered martensite steel exceeds 1,200 MPa even a very small amount of hydrogen embrittles the grain boundaries and the steel material may fail during use. This phenomenon, which is known as delayed fracture, which hindered the strengthening of steel bolts and their highest strength is limited to only around 1,000 to 1,200 MPa. The use of vanadium and molybdenum nanoparticles improves the delayed fracture problems associated with high strength bolts reducing the effects of hydrogen embrittlement and improving the steel microstructure through reducing the effects of the inter-granular cementite phase. Welds and the Heat Affected Zone (HAZ) adjacent to welds can be brittle and fail without warning when subjected to sudden dynamic loading. The addition of nanoparticles of magnesium and calcium makes the HAZ grains finer in plate steel and this leads to an increase in weld toughness. The increase in toughness at would result in a smaller resource requirement because less material is required in order to keep stresses within allowable limits. The carbon nanotubes are exciting material with tremendous properties of strength and stiffness, they have found little application as compared to steel, because it is difficult to bind them with bulk material and they pull out easily, Which make them ineffective in construction materials.

### **Nanoparticles in glass**

The glass is also an important material in construction. There is a lot of research being carried out on the

application of nanotechnology to glass. Titanium dioxide ( $\text{TiO}_2$ ) nanoparticles are used to coat glazing since it has sterilizing and anti-fouling properties. The particles catalyze powerful reactions which breakdown organic pollutants, volatile organic compounds and bacterial membranes.

The  $\text{TiO}_2$  is hydrophilic (attraction to water) which can attract rain drops which then wash off the dirt particles. Thus the introduction of nanotechnology in the Glass industry incorporates the self-cleaning property of glass. Fire-protective glass is another application of nanotechnology. This is achieved by using a clear intumescent layer sandwiched between glass panels (an interlayer) formed of silica nanoparticles ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ) which turns into a rigid and opaque fire shield when heated. Most of glass in construction is on the exterior surface of buildings .So the light and heat entering the building through glass has to be prevented. The nanotechnology can provide a better solution to block light and heat coming through windows.

### **Nanoparticles in coatings**

Coatings is an important area in construction coatings are extensively use to paint the walls, doors, and windows. Coatings should provide a protective layer, which is bound to the base material to produce a surface of the desired protective or functional properties. The coatings should have self healing capabilities through a process of “self-assembly.” Nanotechnology is being applied to paints to obtain the coatings having self-healing capabilities and corrosion protection under insulation. Since these coatings are hydrophobic and repels water from the metal pipe and can also protect metal from salt-water attack. Nanoparticle based systems can provide better adhesion and transparency. The  $\text{TiO}_2$  coating captures and breaks down organic and inorganic air pollutants by a photo catalytic process, which leads to putting roads to good environmental use.

### **Nanoparticles in fire protection and detection**

A coating produced by a spray-on-cementitious process often provides fire resistance of steel structures. The nano-cement has the potential to create a new paradigm in this area of application because the resulting material

can be used as a tough, durable, high temperature coating. It provides a good method of increasing fire resistance and this is a cheaper option than conventional insulation.

### **Risks of using nanoparticles in construction**

In building construction nanomaterials are widely used from self-cleaning windows to flexible solar panels to wi-fi blocking paint. The self-healing concrete, materials to block ultraviolet and infrared radiation, smog-eating coatings and light-emitting walls and ceilings are the new nanomaterials in construction. Nanotechnology is a promise for making the “smart home” a reality. Nanotech-enabled sensors can monitor temperature, humidity, and airborne toxins, which need nanotech, based improved batteries. The building components will be intelligent and interactive since the sensor uses wireless components, it can collect the wide range of data.

If the nanosensors and nanomaterials becomes a every day part of the buildings to make them intelligent, what are the consequences of these materials on human beings?

1. Effect of nanoparticles on health and environment: Nanoparticles may also enter the body if building water supplies are filtered through commercially available nanofilters. Airborne and waterborne nanoparticles enter from building ventilation and wastewater systems.
2. Effect of nanoparticles on societal issues: As sensors become more common place, a loss of privacy may result from users interacting with increasingly intelligent building components. The technology at one side has the advantages of new building material. The other side it has the fear of risk arises from these materials. However, the overall performance of nanomaterials to date, is that valuable opportunities to improve building performance, user health and environmental quality.

### **Vehicle manufacturers**

Much like aerospace, lighter and stronger materials will be useful for creating vehicles that are both faster and safer. Combustion engines will also benefit from parts that are more hard-wearing and more heat-resistant.

### **Consumer goods**

Nanotechnology is already impacting the field of consumer goods, providing products with novel functions ranging from easy-to-clean to scratch-resistant. Modern textiles are wrinkle-resistant and stain-repellent; in the mid-term clothes will become “smart”, through embedded “wearable electronics”. Already in use are different nanoparticle improved products. Especially in the field of cosmetics, such novel products have a promising potential.

### **Foods**

Complex set of engineering and scientific challenges in the food and bioprocessing industry for manufacturing high quality and safe food through efficient and sustainable means can be solved through nanotechnology. Bacteria identification and food quality monitoring using biosensors; intelligent, active, and smart food packaging systems; nanoencapsulation of bioactive food compounds are few examples of emerging applications of nanotechnology for the food industry. Nanotechnology can be applied in the production, processing, safety and packaging of food. A nanocomposite coating process could improve food packaging by placing anti-microbial agents directly on the surface of the coated film. Nanocomposites could increase or decrease gas permeability of different fillers as is needed for different products. They can also improve the mechanical and heat-resistance properties and lower the oxygen transmission rate. Research is being performed to apply nanotechnology to the detection of chemical and biological substances for sensanges in foods.

### **Nano-foods**

New foods are among the nanotechnology-created consumer products coming onto the market at the rate of 3 to 4 per week, according to the Project on Emerging Nanotechnologies (PEN), based on an inventory it has drawn up of 609 known or claimed nano-products.

On PEN's list are three foods—a brand of canola cooking oil called Canola Active Oil, a tea called Nanotea and a chocolate diet shake called Nanoceuticals Slim Shake Chocolate.

According to company information posted on PEN's Web site, the canola oil, by Shemen Industries of Israel, contains an additive called "nanodrops" designed to carry vitamins, minerals and photochemical through the digestive system and urea.

The shake, according to U.S. manufacturer RBC Life Sciences Inc., uses cocoa infused "NanoClusters" to enhance the taste and health benefits of cocoa without the need for extra sugar.

### **Household**

The most prominent application of nanotechnology in the household is self-cleaning or "easy-to-clean" surfaces on ceramics or glasses. Nano ceramic particles have improved the smoothness and heat resistance of common household equipment such as the flat iron.

### **Optics**

The first sunglasses using protective and anti-reflective ultrathin polymer coatings are on the market. For optics, nanotechnology also offers scratch resistant surface coatings based on nanocomposites. Nano-optics could allow for an increase in precision of pupil repair and other types of laser eye surgery.

### **Textiles**

The use of engineered nanofibers already makes clothes water- and stain-repellent or wrinkle-free. Textiles with a nanotechnological finish can be washed less frequently and at lower temperatures. Nanotechnology has been used to integrate tiny carbon particles membrane and guarantee full-surface protection from electrostatic charges for the wearer. Many other applications have been developed by research institutions such as the Textiles Nanotechnology Laboratory at Cornell University, and the UK's Defence Science and Technology institute and its spin out company P2i.

### **Cosmetics**

One field of application is in sunscreens. The traditional chemical UV protection approach suffers from its poor long-term stability. A sunscreen based on mineral nanoparticles such as titanium dioxide offer several advantages. Titanium oxide nanoparticles have a comparable UV protection property as the bulk

material, but lose the cosmetically undesirable whitening as the particle size is decreased.

### **Agriculture**

Applications of nanotechnology have the potential to change the entire agriculture sector and food industry chain from production to conservation, processing, packaging, transportation, and even waste treatment. NanoScience concepts and nanotechnology applications have the potential to redesign the production cycle, restructure the processing and conservation processes and redefine the food habits of the people.

Major challenges related to agriculture like low productivity in cultivable areas, large uncultivable areas, shrinkage of cultivable lands, wastage of inputs like water, fertilizers, pesticides, and wastage of products and of course Food security for growing numbers can be addressed through various applications of nanotechnology.

### **Sports**

Nanotechnology may also play a role in sports such as soccer, football, and baseball. Materials for new athletic shoes may be made in order to make the shoe lighter (and the athlete faster). Baseball bats already on the market are made with carbon nanotubes, which reinforce the resin, which is said to improve its performance by making it lighter. Other items such as sport towels, yoga mats, exercise mats are on the market and used by players in the National Football League, which use antimicrobial nanotechnology to prevent illnesses, caused by bacteria such as Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (commonly known as MRSA).

Thus, nanotechnology will radically transform the world and the people of 21<sup>st</sup> century with the next generation industrial revolution. Functional engineering on molecular scale will be used to develop smart materials. Nanosensors, Nanocomputers and Nanomechanics embedded in new generation smart materials will revolutionizes every aspect of life.

## Tangent Law, Lami's Theorem And Tangent Galvanometer - An Interesting Exercise

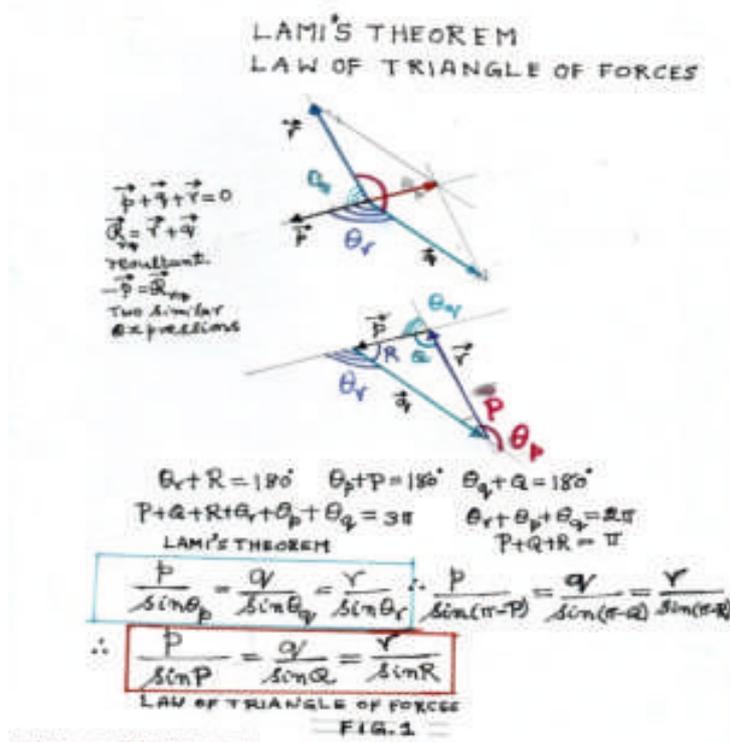
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**Introduction:** Tangent galvanometer (TG) is an important instrument to measure current making use of crossed magnetic fields. TG and Ballistic galvanometers are the fundamental instruments in electricity and magnetism. It serves as a good application of Biot-Savart law of magnetic effect of steady current in a wire. But with the advent of AVO meter (Ampere Volt Ohm) these instruments are gathering dust in the shelves of many physics' laboratories. AVO meter contains inside the box quite a lot of physics! Physical balance is yet another instrument which has gone obsolete in the laboratory as digital weighing machines are available. In this paper I am posing an exercise with tangent galvanometer which links with law of parallelogram of forces/law of triangle of forces in statics.

**Exercise:** A student measures current with a tangent galvanometer. He is not aware of the fact that the wooden/ebonite frame on which the circular wires are wound is inclined at a certain angle  $\theta_0$  with respect to magnetic meridian. He has set the aluminum pointer correctly. After choosing the number of turns of coil and passing suitable current, he measures the deflection of aluminum pointer  $\theta = 40^\circ$ . Calculate the percentage error of measurement if  $\theta_0 = 11^\circ$ .

**Solution:** In statics, the law of parallelogram of forces, Lami's theorem and the law of triangle of forces are different approaches and the problem can be solved with anyone. The *tangent law of forces* is a particular case of Lami's theorem (Fig.1). This is also applied in the current measurement using tangent galvanometer. This exercise is done in two different ways to show that any one method is suitable.

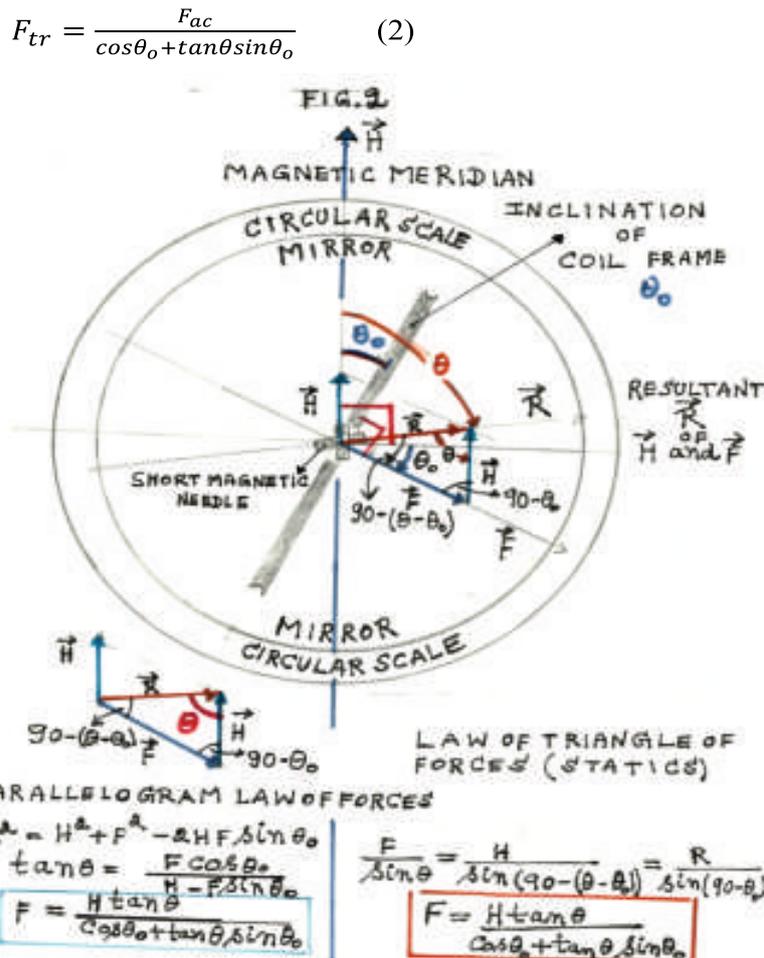


Any text book on Electricity and Magnetism describes a TG. A detailed description is not given in this paper. In Tangent galvanometer, the plane of vertical circular non-conducting (usually wooden) frame of the coils is set in the magnetic meridian and so the magnetic field  $\vec{F}$  generated by the steady current is in the horizontal plane perpendicular to the horizontal magnetic field  $\vec{H}$  of the earth [1]. Applying Lami's theorem or tangent law, we get  $F = H \tan \theta$ , neglecting the direction, where  $\theta$  is the deflection of the magnet (and of the aluminum pointer) from the meridian. The resultant  $\vec{R}$ ,  $\vec{F}$  and  $\vec{H}$  form a right-angled triangle. If the frame is tilted at some angle  $\theta_0$  with respect to  $\vec{H}$  as shown in Fig.2, then  $\vec{F}$  makes an obtuse angle with respect to  $\vec{H}$ . This angle is  $90 + \theta_0$ .

$\vec{H}$  and  $\vec{F}$  form the adjacent sides of a parallelogram giving rise to a resultant  $\vec{R}$ . Since the vector sum  $\vec{R}$ ,  $\vec{H}$  and  $\vec{F}$  is zero, we can also apply the law of triangle of forces [2]. Both approaches are clearly discussed in Fig.2. The result is the same:

$$F = \frac{H \tan \theta}{\cos \theta_0 + \tan \theta \sin \theta_0} \quad (1)$$

Thus an exercise in the magnetic effect of steady current carrying coil is an extended exercise of similar exercise in statics. The student having no knowledge of the frame is inclined to the meridian, calculates  $F$  using the formula:  $F_{ac} = H \tan \theta$ . But in reality, the true  $F$  is  $F_{tr}$ , given by eq.(1).



Using the property of “ratio and proportion”, viz,  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$  giving

$$\frac{a-b}{b} = \frac{c-d}{d},$$

$$\frac{\Delta F}{F_{tr}} = \frac{F_{ac} - F_{tr}}{F_{tr}} = \cos\theta_o + \tan\theta \sin\theta_o - 1. (3)$$

Substituting  $\theta_o = 11^\circ$  and  $\theta = 40^\circ$ ,  $\frac{\Delta F}{F_{tr}} = 0.1417$ . **The percentage fractional error is 14.2%.**

When  $\theta_o$  is zero,  $F_{tr} = F_{ac}$ , hence  $\Delta F = 0$  as expected.

**Conclusions:** The theory of Galvanometer is important in the study of electricity and magnetism, as it brings many concepts of mechanics, particularly statics of forces when current carrying wire produces a magnetic field. At least one or two experiments with TG can be performed to in the under-graduate laboratory to feel the working of Biot-Savart law. In IIT JEE and other entrance examinations, there are

many questions on the effect of magnetic fields and forces of current carrying conductors in multiple choice/objective items. It is hoped that this exercise unifying two branches of physics will be beneficial to the students.

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## Workshop on “Physics Learning Through Experiments -2023 (WPLE-2023)”

A two days workshop on “Physics Learning through Experiments -2023 (WPLE-2023)” was organized jointly by Department of Physics, University Maharani College, Jaipur and RC-06, on January, 30-31, 2023. The workshop was inaugurated with floral worship of Goddess Saraswati in the presence of Prof. Y K Vijay (Retd.), President IAPT- Rajasthan Chapter (Chief guest), Prof. Mukta Agrawal (Principal), Prof. Sangeeta Bhargava (Vice principal), Dr. Sarita Kumari (Local head), Dr. Pura Ram (Convener), departmental faculty members and students on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 10:30 am.



The inaugural talk “Joy with Science” was delivered by Prof. Y.K. Vijay who explained the various fundamental concepts of Physics with low cost innovative experiments namely- Coupled Oscillator, Atomic arrangement with balls and magnets, harmonic and an-harmonic oscillations, science with Joy of Moods, etc. After the lectures, a documentary on Prof. Babulal Saraf was shown to the audience which elaborated that how does an experimental skill play an important role into realization of the concept. The efforts made by Prof. Saraf to develop the Beta decay spectrum was explained by Prof. Vijay. Later on, a science gallery was inaugurated, which includes- Sir, CV Raman, Dr. Homi Jahangir Bhabha, Dr. Vikram Sarabhai, Dr. Subramanayam Chandrasekhar, Dr. Meghnath Saha, Dr. Satyendra Nath Bose, and Prof. Babulal Saraf. The purpose of gallery is to show the contribution of the great Indian scientist/Physicists at international and national level.

After the poster session inauguration, hands on experimental sessions were conducted. In which 10-12 experiments and demonstration were set up namely- Linear Air track-to study elastic and inelastic collisions, Coupled oscillator – to understand the mechanism of energy transfer from one oscillator to other oscillator, the torsion oscillator, Newton Ring, air damping effect on compound oscillator, eddy current set up, air arc discharge, etc.

On the second day, a lecture was delivered by Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Sharma, Deptt. of Physics, CCU, Meerut, UP. Prof. Sharma elaborated on “Need of Chemo-sensors for recognition of Hazardous ions/Molecules in food” and

precaution during COVID-19. After lecture the hand on experimental sessions was held. The next session was poster session. The various experimental posters were presented by undergraduate students.

At the end of second day, the valedictory session was organized in the presence of Prof. Anjali Krishnamurthy (Chief Guest), Prof. Mukta Agrawal and other dignitaries of workshop, faculty members, Students. The workshop ended with vote of thanks delivered by Dr. SunitaMahavar.

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**Report (RC-12A)**

### **NCIEP Prize-Winning Experiment Demonstration**

**Date:** 26 Jan 2022 **Time:** 3.30 to 5 pm

**No of participants :** 22 IAPT members

**Resource Persons :** Master Tanay Pradeep

Prof Manjula S N Dr Manu S

**Online Google meet Organiser :** RC12A

National Competition of Innovative Experiment in Physics- NCIEP 2022 was held during the 36th IAPT convention at Patna, Bihar from 2<sup>nd</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. From RC12A, five teams participated in this competition out of which three teams received 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes in student and teachers categories respectively. The prize-winning experiment demonstration and interaction session with the winners was organised in the virtual mode for popularization and motivation of all other members of IAPT.

The session commenced with the welcome address and a brief note about RCIEP and NCIEP by Dr. Shanthala Sastry, Treasurer, RC12A. Other EC members of RC12A participated along with the EC meeting simultaneously.

The winners were encouraged to share their experiments with the gathering.

The first prize winner of the student group, Master Tanay Pradeep (co-author Prof Sarmistha Sahu) explained “The visualisation of Linear expansion” with a novel set-up. We essentially saw the expansion of steel (a miniscule change in the length) within a rise of only one or two degrees of temperature! Striking feature in a simple home-made set up.

The second prize was bagged by Dr Manu S (co-author Sarmistha Sahu), who elaborated on the experiment “Energy gap of a semiconductor”. Though the equipment was a standard dark room kit available in all degree labs, the theme and ease of identification of energy gap of CdS was rather interesting.

Creative thinking and sincere efforts always pay! Prof Manjula S N (Co-author Sarmistha Sahu) demonstrated that the “relation between the physical quantities from first principles” is possible with keen observation and perseverance. Simple indigenous gadgets can give great consequences.

There were 22- IAPT members from across the country who participated in the interaction session. Prof. P K Ahluwalia, President, IAPT appreciated the experimental methods used and the session ended with constructive comments and suggestions about 'uncertainty in measurement' by the participants.

**Shanthala Sastry**

## Celebration of National Science Day - 2023

Every year 28<sup>th</sup> February is celebrated as National Science Day to mark the discovery of the Raman effect in 1928 by Indian Physicist Sir.C.V.Raman. As a part of National Science Week Celebrations various activities in Science were performed by teachers and students of Atomic Energy centre School (AECS-1), Kalpakkam on 25<sup>th</sup> February' 2023.

Vice-Principal Shri. S. Seshan not only emphasized our role in widely spreading the significance of scientific application in our daily life but also came forward and demonstrated some experiments setting an example for everyone. One of the significant one was “Why the sky is blue”.

The staff and students of the school also shared their knowledge of science through their demonstrations which are detailed here:

### **STAFF:**

- 1) Shri. S. Seshan, VP - Surface Tension, Bernoulli's' Principle, Why the Sky is Blue
- 2) Shri. K. S. Suresh Kumar, HM – Air Pressure
- 3) Smt. P. Latha, TGT (SS) – Boiling water in paper cup
- 4) Shri. Ajit Shankar Madhale, TGT – Chromatography
- 5) Smt. Ahila C. Kamraj, PRT (SS) – Centre of gravity

### **STUDENTS:**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Students Name</b>	<b>Experiment Name</b>
6A	Subhalekha. E Divyasaasha. R	Floating House
6B	M. Venumadhav S. Vishnu	Prism – Separation of light into colour
7A	Madhukrishna	DNA Extraction
7A	PoorviVarshitha	Refraction of Light
7A	Hansika. S	Making of Hydrogen
8A	Sasmitashri	Centre of Gravity
8B	Benita Angel. J Sangeetha. D	How do submarines work?
8B	Santhosh Sarma. S. V. Krishwar. P	Series Circuit
9A	Atchaya. K Anitha. R	Density of Liquid
9B	Santosh. P. M. Adityan. S	Total Internal Reflection Tensigrity

The Chief Guest of the occasion was Mr. Ravichandran Shivanna, Asst. Professor of Physics, IIT Madras

The Chief Guest and his team enlightened the students with their experiments and demonstration. Highlight of the whole programme was the experiments done with **Liquid Nitrogen**.



S. Seshan

## Announcement

National competition for innovative experiments in Physics (NCIEP) is being held since 2003, to encourage Physics Teachers, Students and Physics educators to conceive and set up original innovative experiments in Physics. The Competition is held every year at the venue of the Annual Convention of IAPT. Innovation rather than sophistication is the main theme and therefore the use of computers for data acquisition and display is not allowed.

1. The following categories are included:
  - (A) The participant can be a teacher at any level, or M. Phil. / Ph. D. awarded /Ph.D. pursuing student or a Scientist from national laboratories or a science communicator working in science centres, etc. He/she need not be an IAPT member.
  - (B) The participant can be a student pursuing UG/PG course
  - (C) The participant can be a High School student Studying in 9-12 standard.

For all categories participants themselves have to demonstrate the experiment.
2. The experiment should be an original one, designed by the participant himself/ herself. It can be even a demonstration type experiment.
 

For category B and C students can work under the guidance of a **mentor**.
3. Top 3 experiments from each category A, B and C are awarded cash prizes.

Category	Participants	First prize	Second prize	Third prize
A	Teachers/scientists/science communicators/ Students pursuing M.Phil/Ph.D	Rs 7000/-	Rs 5000/-	Rs 4000/-
B	Students pursuing UG/PG course	Rs 7000/-	Rs 5000/-	Rs 4000/-
C	Students studying from 9 -12 standard	Rs 7000/-	Rs 5000/-	Rs 4000/-

4. More Details will be provided in the coming months.
 

Selected entries from each category will be invited for demonstration at the 37<sup>th</sup> IAPT convention. The dates and venue will be notified later. Convention is likely to be held during the last week of October 2023. The invited participants will be paid railway fare from the workplace to the convention place as per IAPT rules. In case of joint authors, only one of the participants is eligible to receive TA (as per IAPT rules). Top ten student participant entries (for category B and C) may be given an amount of Rs 1000/- each towards expenditure

incurred in setting up the experiment. The selected participant must come with his/her own setup for final demonstration.

Please feel free to contact for any query at e- mail: [nciepiapt03@gmail.com](mailto:nciepiapt03@gmail.com)

Decision of the judges will be final.

**Closing date to receive the entries is :31<sup>st</sup> July, 2023.**

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## IAPT Life Member wins INSA Teacher Award

Dr. Ananda Dasgupta, an Associate Professor and a distinguished teacher of Physics at the IISER, Kolkata, has been conferred with the INSA Teachers Award for the year 2022 for his outstanding contribution as a teacher. Apart from his excellent discussions (videos uploaded on YouTube) in various topics of Physics at UG & PG levels he is associated with the creation of a very special YouTube video series in Bangla. It is known as 'Padarthabidyar E-school' (E School for Physics) and is playing a significant role in building basic concepts among school children particularly those located in different small towns and villages.



Dr. Dasgupta is a renowned theoretical physicist and has made significant contributions to different fields of physics research. His research interest lies in Lie - algebraic techniques in the field of Quantum Optics, especially in squeezed states and matter radiation interaction, and in the fundamental quantum mechanical and statistical issues involved. He has also worked extensively on the development of numerical methods and computer simulations in physics. He has been associated with IISER Kolkata since 2007 and serving as an Associate Professor since 2013 to date. Earlier he was a Lecturer at St. Xavier's College, Kolkata (1999 - 2005) and a Senior Lecturer at Jadavpur University (2005-2007).

Dr. Dasgupta has made significant contributions in the activities of the RC-15, particularly for the conduction of its annual flagship programme, C K Majumdar Memorial Workshop in Physics. He is well known as an outstanding speaker and has delivered numerous lectures in different schools and colleges for the benefit of the students. He is associated with the Physics Olympiad activities. He is connected to many institutions and scholarly societies for sharing his views on academics.

IAPT Community extends its heartiest congratulations to Dr. Dasgupta.

**Pradipta Panchadhyayee,**

Secretary, RC 15

## A Tribute to Prof. Yashwant Waghmare

The sad demise of Prof. Y. R. Waghmare on 27th Jan. 2023 is a great loss to IAPT fraternity. Personally I have lost a close friend, a well wisher as well as an adviser. My close association with Prof Waghmare started soon after he settled in Pune in 1997 after his retirement from IIT Kanpur. We were together working on a Pune University Committee on an autonomous course on " scientific computing and modelling ". Day by day our attachment built stronger and stronger. Prof. Waghmare came to my house at least 8 to 10 times, in some cases without prior intimation. I have gone to his house at least 50 times. He was my family friend. Twice Prof. Waghmare and his wife Anjali bhabhi visited the house of my daughter Vaishali Pande, in USA- once in Pleasanton CA and once in Princeton NJ. Both of them were very friendly with my grandson Aryak and granddaughter Sanika. Several times we moved together in Pune city on my scooter. In about 8 to 10 IAPT conventions we travelled together and stayed together in the same room. He had a good study of homeopathy. Once I informed him on telephone that I am suffering from some sickness. Next day, in the morning, he came to my house with some homeopathic medicine.

For three years, Prof. Waghmare organized counseling and guidance programme for Pune students appearing to IIT JEE. I was actively involved in this programme. About 50 students trained by us have been successful in securing admissions to different IITs. A number of science activities were conducted for rotary club, Pune by Prof. Waghmare and myself. In fact Prof. Waghmare always assumed my involvement in every activity planned by him. In the same way Prof. Waghmare actively supported every programme organized by me. He taught a course on nuclear physics to M.Sc. students of Garware College, as a visiting professor, when I was the HOD.



Prof. Waghmare and others in a programme of Pune sub RC

Prof. Waghmare has written several books on physics/science. For five of these books, he had given me the draft of each chapter for my comments time to time. Similarly he used to give me the draft of the contents of his important lectures/talks for my comments and su

ggestions. Prof. Waghmare was an all-round personality. He had a lot of interest and love towards cricket, homeopathy, classical music etc.

Prof. Waghmare had a wonderful knack of making friendship with persons in his contact even for a short period. Great personalities such as Kasturirangan, Yashpal, Kakodkar, Naraliker, Kamble, Kaw, Narayan Murthi, Nigavekar, V.G. Bhide, Arvind Gupta, H.C. Verma, Govind Swarup and many others were in the list of his close friends. In addition, he could easily make friendship with any common man such as postman, auto-rikshawwala etc.

All of us know the lion's share of Prof. Waghmare in enrichment of our organization- IAPT. He was the president of IAPT for two consecutive terms-1998 to 2002. Using his personal contacts with great scientists of the country, he pulled IAPT out of financial crisis within few months. A very popular and ambitious programme of IAPT-National Competition of Innovative Experiments in Physics ( NCIEP ) was initiated by Prof. Waghmare. Also he thought of starting a journal for students and "Prayas" was the outcome of his efforts. Prof. Waghmare motivated a large number of physics teachers in Pune to join IAPT as life member. Pune sub RC was established by him which is well functioning till this date.

I am sure, thousands of students as well as teachers all over the country have mourned deeply on sad demise of Prof. Waghmare. My thousands of salutes to the memories of this extraordinary grand personality.

**M.L. Ogalapurkar**

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## **TRIBUTE TO PROF. Y.R. WAGHMARE**

It was very unpleasant news that Prof. Y.R. Waghmare is no more with us physically but his thoughts will always be there in our hearts and minds. This is inevitable and this happens. He had very long persistent academic inning.

I knew Prof. Waghmare since the days he was faculty member at IIT Kanpur and I was working for my D.Phil. thesis. He was a pleasant teacher and while talking to him you always feel at home. I had many opportunities to meet him and always found in him a very loving and affectionate person.

He had lifelong intense association with IAPT, with very successful tenure as its President. He encouraged each member to contribute for the growth of IAPT and continued the same spirit and enthusiasm when I was given this responsibility. He was very positive and appreciative.

When I was compiling the essays for the volume "Vision for Science Education", he volunteered himself and wrote a very illustrative article "Necessity of Paradigm in Indian Science Education." While receiving this volume in his hands he again wrote a very encouraging letter for IAPT activities.

Last time I met him, was in 2018 in NSSP program in Chandigarh. He was here with his wife for three days and stayed in the university guest house. He delivered a very interesting lecture in the conference, moved around in Chandigarh and then we gave him a very pleasant farewell to his hometown Pune with all memories of working together for IAPT.

May this noble soul rest in peace and have again a very pleasant life in some noble environment. My condolences are for his family members and Prayer to Almighty to give them the strength to bear this irreparable loss.

**Satya Prakash**  
Ex-President, IAPT

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It is a small rocky body in outer space, fragment of comet or asteroids collision impact debris. When they enter Earth's atmosphere, produce streak of light due to aerodynamic heating, called meteor or shooting star.



Sighting of Meteor as streak of light



Tunguska Meteor (1908) and Explorer Leonid Kul. It is a largest impact event of meteor on Earth in recorded history



A Meteor and observatory



FDC commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of world most scientifically acclaimed meteorites (1969), *Murchison Meteorite*, Australia. This was a primitive -Carbonaceous Chondrite class meteorite.



*Meteora*- rock formation hosting a monastery on the top, in Greece



A meteoroid in asteroid belt



Impact crater on Mars due to hit of meteorite

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