# Physics syllabus resource links

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The [Physics Classroom](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/) is a resource for the physics syllabus.

## Analysis of forces and motion in two dimensions using vectors

* PhET
  + [Vector addition](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2840)
  + [Vector addition simulation](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/legacy/vector-addition)
  + [Vector Addition: Understanding Force equilibrium](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2904)
  + [LadyBug 2D motion](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/legacy/ladybug-motion-2d) and Vector addition
  + [Force Vectors](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3088)
  + [Vector activity](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2844)
* Scootle
  + [Vectors](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/R11217/R11217/index.html)
  + [The Physics of Sailing](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/login.action;jsessionid=530C129A2B39E905DBC59E714B269BC3?redirect=ecf454878618e4e522d8e4426988e43139704974f6ad0637f3a4ad640f0baefddb29de01a698a5362b5f6a79504be750f13e60f525ff57a102fbd1c58f83b496b175f2f3de7628abb250d466ce9f45bbeaf861ac86746fb906ca6e906636d2f87ea48cd800710447)
  + [Sea Rescue](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L54/index.html)
  + [River currents](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L55/index.html)

## Standing waves

* [Simple Harmonic Motion](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/login.action?redirect=ecf454878618e4e522d8e4426988e43139704974f6ad0637f3a4ad640f0baefddb29de01a698a5362b5f6a79504be750f13e60f525ff57a102fbd1c58f83b49609debe40bcdafded1c6a0f3e0dd6aeb7d483b7438f5a839d6d30369f8ea95ae3f8d55afef4a4f421) – Scootle
* PhET
  + [Standing Waves Lab](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/4540)
  + [Standing Waves Exploration](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3463)
  + Transverse [Standing Waves](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2924) Exploration
  + [Waves on A String Lesson](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/4079)
  + [Waves on A String – Inquiry Based](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2819)
  + [Waves on A String](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/4428)
  + [Waves on a String Discovery Activity](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2948)
* Physics classroom
* [Beats Interactive](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/Physics-Interactives/Waves-and-Sound/Beats)
* [Interference and Beats](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/class/sound/Lesson-3/Interference-and-Beats)
* [The Doppler Effect](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/class/waves/Lesson-3/The-Doppler-Effect)
* [Mathematics of Standing Waves](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/class/waves/Lesson-4/Mathematics-of-Standing-Waves)
* YouTube
  + [Wave number](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YMW8CcnDp7A) (duration 17:12)
  + [The Doppler Effect: what does motion do to waves](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h4OnBYrbCjY) (duration 3:02)
  + [The Doppler Effect Animated Examples](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eo_owZ2UK7E) (duration 1:42).

## Electricity and magnetism

* [Kirchhoff’s voltage law](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/circuits-topic/circuits-resistance/v/ee-kirchhoffs-voltage-law) (duration 6:49) – Khan Academy
* [Kirchhoff’s laws](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/circuits-topic/circuits-resistance/a/ee-kirchhoffs-laws) – Khan Academy (article)
* [How to Solve a Kirchhoff’s Rules Problems](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z2QDXjG2ynU) (duration 9:11)
* [Kirchhoff’s Laws Practice Problems 1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C1NVOLf4gnc) (duration 4:36).

## Elementary thermodynamics

* [Motion and Energy Transfer](https://www.sciencebydoing.edu.au/) – Science by Doing
* [Application of the First Law of Thermodynamics](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3256) – PhET
* [Basic Thermodynamic Inquiry](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3175) – PhET
* [Specific Heat Capacity](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/4400) – PhET
* [Energy Forms Simulation Activity](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3780) (Radiation, conduction and convection) – PhET
* [Latent heat 1](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zchgqhv/revision/1) – Bitesize
* [Latent heat 2](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/thermodynamics/specific-heat-and-heat-transfer/v/specific-heat-and-latent-leat-of-fusion-and-vaporization-2) (duration 14:56) – Khan Academy
* [Change of State and Specific Latent Heat](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gDbo_vGOycU) (duration 2:26)
* [Thermal conduction in solids](https://content.echalk.co.uk/login/loginFailed.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2Fesa%2FScience%2Fphysics%2Fconduction%2Fconduction%2Ehtml) – eChalk
* [Can you feel it? Judging hot and cold](https://education.abc.net.au/home#!/media/103440/) – ABC Education
* [Particles – heat and movement](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L3254/index.html) – Scootle.

## The nature of light

* Huygen and the [wave model of light](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/Teacher-Toolkits/Wave-Model-of-Light/Wave-Model-of-Light-Complete-ToolKit) – Physics Classroom
* [Malus’ Law](http://www.physicshandbook.com/laws/maluslaw.htm) – Physics Handbook
* [Polarization](https://www.physicsclassroom.com/class/light/Lesson-1/Polarization) – Physics Classroom
* [Malus’ law](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=utY72MD-Ii4) (duration 3:54)
* [Wein’s Law](http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/wien.html)
* [Wein’s Law - old version](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=__x4IjPQnro) (duration 4:00)
* [Temperature and Luminosity of Stars: Wein’s Law](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3873) – PhET
* [Wein’s Law and the Stefan-Bolzmann Law](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ILvBAVInhI) (duration 7:27).

## Standard model of matter

### Websites

* [Light and Matter](http://www.resources.det.nsw.edu.au/Resource/Access/3f9047be-1ee3-40ca-a844-998ba2d9956a/1) – NSW DoE
* [Cosmology](https://www.atnf.csiro.au/outreach/education/senior/cosmicengine/cosmologytop.html) (Transformation of radiation into matter) – CSIRO
* [Expansion of the universe](https://assist.asta.edu.au/resource/2986/expansion-universe-year-10-cle?search-id=8f0fb16) (Big Bang and Hubble) – ASTA
* [Our Universe](http://scienceweb.asta.edu.au/years-9-10/unit3/overview/yr910-unit3-overview.html) – ASTA
* [The expanding Universe](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z8gqpbk/revision/2) – Bitesize
* [Standard model](https://home.cern/science/physics/standard-model) – CERN
* [The life cycle of a star](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zpxv97h/revision/2) (Nuclear reactions in stars) – Bitesize
* [Edwin Hubble and the Expanding Universe](https://www.atnf.csiro.au/outreach/education/senior/cosmicengine/hubble.html) – CSIRO
* [Einsteinlight – a simple introduction to relativity](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/search?topic=%22Frames+of+reference%22&browseBy=topic) – Scootle
* [Atomic Spectra](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3872) (using Spectra to classify stars) – PhET
* [Analysing Spectra (PDF 15 pages)](https://nasaeclips.arc.nasa.gov/resources/guides) – NASA
* [Black Body Radiation](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3212) – PhET
* [How are Spectra Produced?](https://www.atnf.csiro.au/outreach/education/senior/astrophysics/spectroscopyhow.html) – CSIRO
* [Blackbody Spectrum](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/blackbody-spectrum) – PhET
* [Colour and Spectral Types (PDF 29 pages)](https://studylib.net/doc/8659763/colours-and-spectral-types--learning-about-stars-from-the...) – SAO
* [Spectra of Light](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3075) (stellar spectra) – PhET
* [Hertzsrpung-Russell Diagram](https://www.atnf.csiro.au/outreach/education/senior/astrophysics/stellarevolution_hrintro.html) – CSIRO
* [Interactive HR Diagrams](http://aspire.cosmic-ray.org/Labs/OldStarLife/hr_interactive.html) (Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram Interactive 1)
* [Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram](https://lco.global/spacebook/stars/h-r-diagram/) – LCO
* [Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram activities](https://www.atnf.csiro.au/outreach/education/senior/cosmicengine/stars_hractivity.html) – CSIRO
* [Main Sequence Stars](https://www.atnf.csiro.au/outreach/education/senior/astrophysics/stellarevolution_mainsequence.html) – CSIRO
* [Proton-Proton Chain Activity (PDF 2 pages)](http://denisemeeks.com/science/activities/ast/proton_proton_chain_activity.pdf) and [answers (PDF 1 page)](http://denisemeeks.com/science/index.php) – denisemeeks
* [Carbon-nitrogen-oxygen cycle](https://astronomy.swin.edu.au/cosmos/C/CNO+cycle) – Cosmos
* [Nucleosynthesis](https://wmap.gsfc.nasa.gov/universe/bb_tests_ele.html) – NASA
* [Characteristics of Stars](https://padlet.com/faith_nor/wunkmamr6dvs) – Padlet
* [Millikan’s oil drop experiment simulation](http://www.furryelephant.com/content/radioactivity/discovery-electron-thomson/millikan-oil-drop-simulation/) – Furry Elephant
* [Geiger-Marsden experiment](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zcvq4qt/revision/1) – Bitesize
* [Rutherford-Geiger Marsden Experiment](http://physicsopenlab.org/2017/04/11/the-rutherford-geiger-marsden-experiment/) – Physics Open Lab
* [Rutherford Scattering Simulation](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3149) – PhET
* [Atomic Structure](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L2562/index.html) – Scootle
* [Atomic Structure (Rutherford Scattering)](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3064) – PhET
* [Chadwick’s Discovery of the Neutron](http://webs.mn.catholic.edu.au/physics/emery/hsc_quanta_quarks.htm) – Catholic Education Dept
* [Bohr model of the atom](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3070) – PhET
* [Models of Atom](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3894) – PhET
* [Model of the Hydrogen Atom](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3465) – PhET
* [Development of the Atomic Theory](http://www.abcte.org/files/previews/chemistry/s1_p6.html) (Schrodinger) – ABCTE
* [Schrodinger’s contribution to the atomic theory](https://prezi.com/glz_1advlpi1/schrodingers-contribution-to-the-atomic-theory/) – Prezi
* [Atomic Structure Timeline](http://atomictimeline.net/)
* [Alpha Decay](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/legacy/alpha-decay) – PhET
* [Alpha Decay Investigations](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3558) – PhET
* [Alpha Decay Simulation Lab](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3013) – PhET
* [Beta Decay](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/legacy/beta-decay) – PhET
* [Beta Decay Investigations](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3559) – PhET
* [Beta Decay Simulation Lab](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3012) – PhET
* [Making Stable Atoms Lab](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/4418) – PhET
* [Radioactive Decay](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L8031/index.html) – Scootle
* [Radioactive Decay Half Life](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L8032/index.html) – Scootle
* [Physical Science – nuclear decay](https://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L8992/index_490.html) – Scootle
* [Radioactive Decay, Fission and Chain Reactions](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/2888) – PhET
* [Fission control](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L47/index.html) – Scootle
* [Nuclear Fission](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/legacy/nuclear-fission) – PhET
* [Nuclear Fission Inquiry](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3335) – PhET
* [Nuclear Fission Simulation Lab](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/3273) – PhET
* [Exploring Nuclear Fission](https://phet.colorado.edu/en/contributions/view/4462) – PhET
* [Nuclear fission and fusion](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zx86y4j/revision/1) – BBC Bitesize
* [Nuclear Fission – Nuclear Power](https://www.nuclear-power.net/nuclear-power/fission/)
* [Nuclear fusion future](https://education.abc.net.au/home#!/media/29862/) – ABC Education
* [Nuclear Fusion – Nuclear Energy](https://nuclear-energy.net/what-is-nuclear-energy/nuclear-fusion)
* [CERN legend stuff of angels and demons](http://www.abc.net.au/science/articles/2008/04/08/2211092.htm) – ABC Science
* [Exploring atoms](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L3125/index.html) – Scootle
* [Exploring atoms – Atom builder](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L2564/index.html) – Scootle
* [Exploring atoms – Ion builder](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L2565/index.html) – Scootle
* [Exploring atoms – Assisted atom builder](http://www.scootle.edu.au/ec/viewing/L2563/index.html) – Scootle
* [What happens when protons collide](http://helios.gfsc.nasa.gov/neucleo)– ABC Education
* [Quarks](https://particleadventure.org/quarks.html) – The Particle Adventure
* [Hadrons](https://particleadventure.org/hadrons.html) – Particle Adventure
* [Classification of Particles](http://physicsnet.co.uk/a-level-physics-as-a2/particles-radiation/classification-of-particles/) – Physics UK
* [Leptons](https://particleadventure.org/leptons.html) – Particle Adventure
* [What’s a neutrino?](http://www.astro.wisc.edu/~heroux/neutrino.html) – ASTRO
* [Leptons – Nuclear Power](https://www.nuclear-power.net/nuclear-power/reactor-physics/atomic-nuclear-physics/fundamental-particles/leptons/)
* [The leptons](http://resources.schoolscience.co.uk/PPARC/16plus/partich3pg2.html) – Atoms – the inside story
* [How an accelerator works](https://home.cern/science/accelerators/how-accelerator-works) – CERN
* [Australian Synchrotron](https://www.ansto.gov.au/education/nuclear-facts/what-is-synchrotron-light) – ANSTO

### YouTube

* [Equivalence of energy and mass and transformation of radiation](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQlmDQq0yN8) (duration 8:45)
* [Mass-Energy equivalence](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hWcACTswM9A) (duration 5:21)
* [Emission and Absorption Spectra](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1uPyq63aRvg) (duration 5:17)
* [Proton-Proton Chain](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VLwp0xjSifs) (duration 1:00)
* [The carbon-nitrogen-oxygen cycle animation](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O48tNoZCzb8) (duration 3:48)
* [Millikan’s Oil Drop Experiment 1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijHKu6iXiRk) (duration 1:13)
* [Millikan’s Oil Drop Experiment 2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijHKu6iXiRk) (duration 5:51)
* [Rutherford Scattering Experiment](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5mO_uY0fI4) (duration 10:50)
* [Geiger Marsden experiment](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LTfVEyG9h98) (duration 21:50)
* [Rutherford’s Model of an Atom](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4z46Bs3fRCY) (duration 5:15)
* [Discovery of Neutrons](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HnmEI94URK8) (duration 2:13))
* [Discovery of the Neutron](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_7DAlvRI1M4) (duration 10:11)
* [Limitations of the Bohr Model](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W6Vl-VULw9o) (duration 6:48)
* [Drawbacks of the Rutherford Atom Model](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tIaiAVhC_0M) (duration 1:27)
* [Balmer Series and Hydrogen Emission](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RYD96LB7BkY) (duration 7:46)
* [Balmer Series and Spectral Emission Lines](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hj1QaojnlBs) (duration 8:10)
* [The Rydberg Equation and Balmer Series of Hydrogen](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gFEti-IfI5A) (duration 4:56)
* [Rydberg Equation](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4kOdbqoycmY) (duration 7:00)
* [De Broglie Wavelength](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZqspDsQSZuI) (duration 4:28)
* [Modern Atomic Theory, De Broglie’s, Schrodinger and Heisenberg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NYZOKCzhljo) (duration 10:08)
* [Nuclear Fission reaction explained](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mBdVK4cqiFs) (duration 3:43))
* [Nuclear Transmutation Part 1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hpn5G1FiuCs) (duration 12:55)
* [Nuclear Fusion explained](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cb8NX3HiS4U) (duration 3:19)
* [Mass-Energy Equivalence](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hWcACTswM9A) (duration 5:21)
* [What is Nuclear Binding Energy?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XuMFluHBUQg) (duration 2:12)
* [Nuclear Binding Energy Calculation](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4N3Srx0xRQc) (duration 20:08)
* [What are Quarks?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nlv06lSAC7c) (duration 3:17)
* [Classroom Aid – Hadrons](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lNGVBx5sE4k) (duration 2:00)
* [Quarks and leptons for beginners](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pdVybAwVqUs) (duration 4:01)
* [Four Fundamental Forces Explained](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-6skWBuHaE) (duration 3:46)
* [Four Fundamental Forces of Physics](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yv3EMq2Dgq8) (duration 3:36)
* [Inside The World’s Largest Particle Accelerator](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=328pw5Taeg0) (duration 6:13)
* [How particle accelerators work](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZEc7r3rjNlk) (duration 6:09).

### Other videos

* Khan Academy
  + [Emission spectrum of hydrogen](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/quantum-physics/atoms-and-electrons/v/emission-spectrum-of-hydrogen) (duration 10:49)
  + [Absorption and emission](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/quantum-physics/atoms-and-electrons/v/absorption-and-emission) (duration 10:29)
  + [Bohr model energy levels](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/quantum-physics/atoms-and-electrons/v/bohr-model-energy-levels) (duration 9:46)
  + [De Broglie wavelength](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/quantum-physics/atoms-and-electrons/v/de-broglie-wavelength) (duration 11:19)
  + [Mass defect and binding energy](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/physics/quantum-physics/in-in-nuclei/v/mass-defect-and-binding-energy) (duration 11:27)
  + [Four fundamental forces](https://www.khanacademy.org/science/cosmology-and-astronomy/universe-scale-topic/light-fundamental-forces/v/four-fundamental-forces) (duration 10:29).
* Space telescope video – [Hertzsprung-Russell diagram animation](https://www.spacetelescope.org/videos/heic1017b/) (duration 1:39)
* [Brightstorm video – Mass-Energy Equivalence](https://www.brightstorm.com/science/physics/nuclear-physics/mass-energy-equivalence/) (duration 7:21)