



# Happy 2023

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TEAM

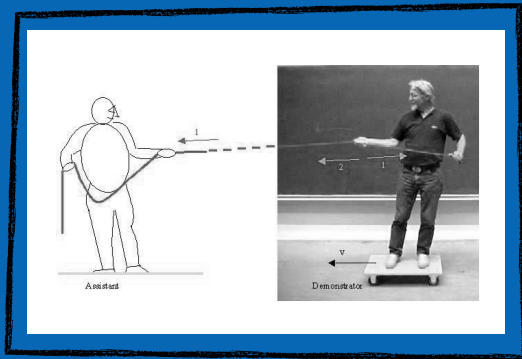
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# DEMONSTRATION



Who is pulling?



Ron Haaksman will be our guest speaker on Jan 26th

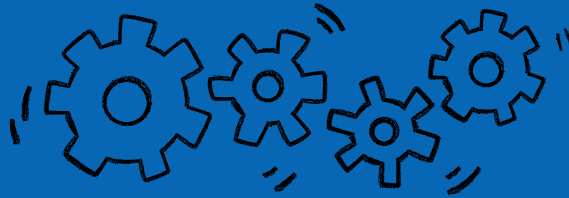


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# January

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
52							1 New Year's Day
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4	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
5	30	31		PRIMECH EVENT			

# CAN YOU SOLVE THIS ?



We have 4 connected gears in a machine. The first and largest has 168 teeth. The others, decreasing in size, have 49, then 32, then 15 teeth.

How many complete turns must the largest of these cogs make before all four return simultaneously to the starting position?



Do you think you got it?  
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check the solution!

# February

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
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6	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
7	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19
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## DID YOU KNOW?

Early Babylonian, Egyptian and Hebrew records indicate that length was first measured with the forearm, hand, or finger.

Did you know that around the world different cultures have different numerical systems depending on what parts of the body they use to count?



Scan the QR code to read more about ancient SI units



# March

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
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# DEMONSTRATION



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# April

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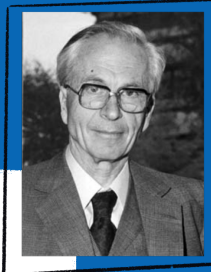
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15	10 Easter Monday	11	12	13	14	15	16
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17	24	25	26	27 King's Day	28	29	30

Dr Tatiana Erukhimova (Texas A&M University) demonstrates a wide range of physics phenomena with her contagious enthusiasm.

Find out how she demonstrates pressure with the help of eggs by watching this video!

# THAT TIME WHEN...

In early 1941, the inventor of computational statics, John Argyris was arrested for leaking research findings to the Allies. The head of the intelligence service of the German forces arranged Argyris' escape under the pretence that Argyris was to be executed outside the concentration camp, the guards let them pass by. Shortly afterwards, Argyris managed to swim across the Rhine to freedom, holding his passport between his teeth. Without that swim, mechanics as we know it would be very different!



John Argyris (1913 - 2004), one of the inventors of the Finite Element method



# May

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
18	1	2	3	4	5 Liberation Day	6	7
19	8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Mother's Day
20	15	16	17	18 Ascension Day	19	20	21
21	22	23	24	25 PRIMECH EVENT	26	27	28 Whit Sunday
22	29 Whit Monday	30	31				



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Handwritten text in a stylized, cursive font, likely a challenge or puzzle related to the event.

# June

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# DEMONSTRATION



You're an engineer in the Netherlands and you think you know all about bikes? This video might test your knowledge!



Scan the QR code to watch the video

Watch till the end for a TU Delft appearance!

# July

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# HOW TO SOLVE A PHYSICS PROBLEM

1) WRITE OUT ALL EQUATION AND FACTS		2) DRAW FREE BODY DIAGRAM		3) SOLVE.	
4) GET WRONG ANSWER		5) CHECK CALCULATIONS. GET NEW WRONG ANSWER		6) REDO CALCULATIONS. GET THIRD WRONG ANSWER	
7) SPECIAL PLEADING	MAYBE IF I AVERAGE MY ANSWERS AND TAKE THE SQUARE ROOT.	8) CHECK FOR ERRATA	STUPID AUTHORS PROBABLY GOT THE STUPID WRONG ANSWER.		
9) FIND NOTHING.	EITHER EVERYONE IS WRONG, OR I AM SO... OH GOD.	10) LOCATE ALGEBRA ERROR	2-3=5		
11) GET FOURTH WRONG ANSWER		12) LOCATE SEVENTEEN MORE ALGEBRA ERRORS	2-3=5 5^2=52 5a=5(a)=10 10=ZEBRA		
13) GET RIGHT ANSWER		14) FEEL INTELLIGENT	TODAY I SPENT FOUR HOURS ON A SINGLE MATH PROBLEM.		
15) REALIZE PROBLEM HAS SIX MORE PARTS	(i) Do again with $f_i = f_i/2$ . (ii) Do again for a universe where $k = C_0$ .	16) BECOME POET	SO... HAPPY.		

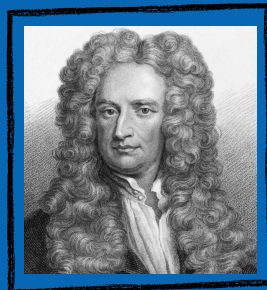
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# August

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DID YOU  
KNOW?



Isaac Newton, considered  
the creator of the subject  
of mechanics



# September

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Although Isaac Newton had unexceptional results in high school, one of his teachers thought he was university material and gave him extra tutoring.

The hallmark of Newton's scientific career: he often did not publish his important discoveries, at least not in a timely manner, and then he became very angry and aggressive when others made similar discoveries independently.

Krantz, S. - G. (2010). Episodic History of Mathematics

Check your inbox for  
the next PRIMECH events



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# DEMONSTRATION

Demonstration of circular motion compared to the motion of a mass on a spring by Harvard Natural Sciences Demonstrations.



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# October

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Using data of only three simple experimental setups (one of which is a pendulum), a computer has been able to figure out Newton's second law as well as conservation of energy and momentum by itself, without any prior knowledge.

Last summer, this line of research was successfully continued with a wider range of physical systems.



# November

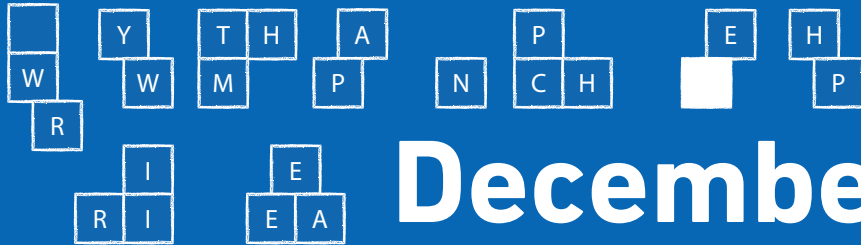
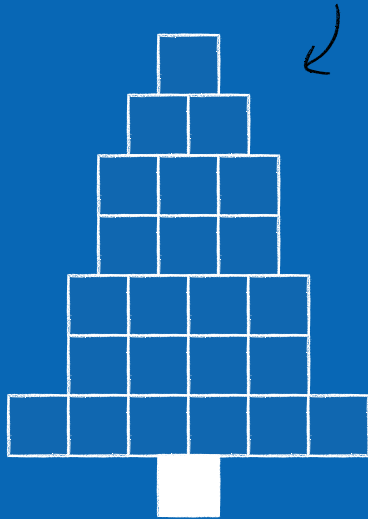
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Chen, B. et al. (2022). Automated discovery of fundamental variables hidden in experimental data. *Nature Computational Science*, 2(7), 433–442.

Schmidt, M., & Lipson, H. (2009). Distilling Free-Form Natural Laws from Experimental Data. *Science*, 324(5923), 81–85.



CAN YOU SOLVE THIS ?



# December

Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat Sun

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# 2024

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