



Tutorials in Thermal & Statistical Physics

 Indicates a research-demonstrated benefit

Overview

Guided-inquiry worksheet activities to help students develop a better understanding of upper-division thermodynamics and statistical mechanics.



Type of Method Curriculum supplement, Tutorials





Level

Designed for: Intermediate , Upper-level Undergraduate 

Can be adapted for: Intro College Calculus-based, Intro College Algebra-based



Setting

Designed for: Lecture - Small (<30 students) , Recitation/Discussion Session 



Coverage

Many topics with less depth



Topics

Thermal / Statistical



Instructor Effort

Medium



Skills


Designed for: Conceptual understanding 

Can be adapted for: Problem-solving skills



Research Validation

Based on research into: student ideas about specific topics 

Demonstrated to improve: conceptual understanding 

Studied using: student interviews , research at multiple institutions 



Compatible Methods

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Resources

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