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Title: Teach a First-year Physics Course in 3 weeks!? What could(did) go wrong?

Abstract:

In Fall 2023, The Lassonde School of Engineering piloted the first-year experience for incoming engineering students in so-called block format, wherein students completed courses in a series of 3-week blocks. Block format and its perceived advantages will be described. The Lassonde pilot project will be presented along with a design for a 3-week first-year physics course delivered in blended mode. Surveys and comparisons between the block and traditional formats will help identify what (if anything) went wrong.