Information-Theoretic Concepts in Physics

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Message from the Guest Editors

Information-theoretic concepts are becoming increasingly important in physics, both in applied and theoretical physics. Examples include using quantum-mechanical systems to perform computations and transmit information; the use of information-theoretic concepts to characterize gravitational phenomena, such as black holes; informational axiomatizations and interpretations of quantum theory; and many others.

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- Quantum and classical information;
- Quantum and classical computational resources;
- Informational interpretations and axiomatizations of physical theories;
- Informational approaches to spacetime phenomena;
- Informational characterizations of thermodynamical phenomena and the thermodynamics of information;
- Informational characterizations of open systems phenomena;
- General methodological and philosophical issues related to the physics of information.

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