

Re: Basics series proposed

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> *Androcles wrote:*

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>> > *Paul Draper wrote:*

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>> >> *Since these are the three most active s.p. newsgroups, and also the
>> >> forum for the highest concentration of misguided souls, I propose that
>> >> we start a series of threads on fundamentals. It should be aimed at
>> >> the "tripping points", the places where it's easy to get confused or
>> >> misdirected, or where modern ideas confront popular but incorrect
>> >> preconceptions. As far as possible, the lead articles should be
>> >> accessible to laypeople and non-mathematical. Mathematical development
>> >> of the ideas can be expanded further in each thread. The aim of the
>> >> lead article is to carefully define terms, elucidate core concepts,
>> >> and specifically drill at misconceptions or things that apparently
>> >> defy "common sense". The lead articles would be done Wikipedia-style,
>> >> with volunteers titling a new thread from one of the topics listed
>> >> below with a "(Basics)" prefix in the the title.*

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>> >> *The purpose of this series is to establish reference articles both to
>> >> educate the interested and to explain where misguided proposals go
>> >> wrong. In essence, it is a "positive force" in the n.g., some signal
>> >> above the noise, a proactive rather than a reactive approach.*

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>> >> *In the "table of contents" below, I've marked ones with * that have
>> >> posted recently. If good articles on some of the other topics have*

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