

**at a glance**

<p><b>About Factory Physics Inc.</b></p>	<p>Factory Physics Inc. is a consulting company that provides a scientific framework, tools and training to optimize performance of manufacturing supply chains. <i>Factory Physics</i> also is the title of an award-winning book co-authored by Factory Physics Inc. founder Mark Spearman, Ph.D.</p> <p>By applying practical science principles to the business of manufacturing, Factory Physics Inc. enables managers to improve process performance and exploit the natural behaviors of their value streams.</p> <p>Factory Physics principles and software support tools provide practical science to help focus and accelerate existing performance improvement efforts such as Lean Manufacturing, Six Sigma and Theory of Constraints and ease implementation of change management efforts.</p>	
<p><b>The Factory Physics Framework</b></p>	<p>The Factory Physics framework, based on the award-winning book <i>Factory Physics</i>, is a systematic description of the underlying behavior of manufacturing systems. Factory Physics principles provide the practical science to cut through complexity, reduce conflict and fill in gaps in manufacturing and supply chain control. The Factory Physics approach identifies opportunities to improve design, planning and execution of operations and integrates all three components to make improvements permanent. In a strong endorsement for the Factory Physics approach, the National Science Foundation awarded Factory Physics Inc. more than \$1 million in grants to develop the Lean Physics Support Tools software to standardize and advance the framework.</p>	
<p><b>Company History</b></p>	<p>Mark Spearman founded Factory Physics Inc. in 2001.</p> <p>Since 1986, researchers at Northwestern University, the Georgia Institute of Technology and Catholic University of Leuven have been developing a new paradigm that provides a comprehensive, scientific framework to control and optimize the fundamental operations of any manufacturing and supply chain system. The result is the Factory Physics framework that provides a practical set of solutions for manufacturing and supply chain managers and executives.</p>	
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