## June 3, Week 1

Physics 151, Dr. Mark Morgan-Tracy

Today: Chapter 1, Position, Displacement, and Velocity

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Homework Assignment \#1 - Available on class webpage, Due this Friday, June 6.

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