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**Learning LabVIEW in Introductory Physics Labs** ERIC  
ETHRIDGE<sup>1</sup>, University of West Georgia — LabVIEW is a graphical program-  
ming language, commonly used in physics and engineering research. ELVIS stands  
for Electronics Laboratory Virtual Instrumentation Suite. It is designed to replace  
all of the instruments commonly found on an electronics lab bench. Vernier Instru-  
ments sells adaptors which allow the Vernier sensors to be hooked into a breadboard,  
and controlled via a LabVIEW Virtual Instrument (VI.) While basic VI's exist for  
running the sensors through LabVIEW, more sophisticated VI's are necessary for  
plotting one quantity versus another. Introducing LabVIEW and ELVIS in the in-  
troductory physics laboratory course is useful for physics and engineering majors  
who will be ready to use the equipment more extensively in upper-level courses.

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