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Classical Mechanics with Mathematica®

During the past decade we have had to confront a series of control design prob lems - involving, primarily, multibody electro-mechanical systems - in which nonlinearity plays an essential role. Fortunately, the geometric theory of non linear control system analysis progressed substantially during the 1980s and 90s, providing crucial conceptual tools that addressed many of our needs. However, as any control systems engineer can attest, issues of modeling, computation, and implementation quickly become the dominant concerns in practice. The prob lems of interest to us present unique challenges because of the need to build and manipulate complex mathematical models for both the plant and controller. As a result, along with colleagues and students, we set out to develop computer algebra tools to facilitate model building, nonlinear control system design, and code generation, the latter for both numerical simulation and real time con an outgrowth of that continuing effort. As trol implementation. This book is a result, the unique features of the book includes an integrated treatment of nonlinear control and analytical mechanics and a set of symbolic computing software tools for modeling and control system design. By simultaneously considering both mechanics and control we achieve a fuller appreciation of the underlying geometric ideas and constructions that are common to both. Control theory has had a fruitful association with analytical mechanics from its birth in the late 19th century.

Mechanics, Tensors & Virtual Works

Mathematical Methods of Analytical Mechanics uses tensor geometry and geometry of variation calculation, includes the properties associated with Noether's theorem, and highlights methods of integration, including Jacobi's method, which is deduced. In addition, the book covers the Maupertuis principle that looks at the conservation of energy of material systems and how it leads to quantum mechanics. Finally, the book deduces the various spaces underlying the analytical mechanics which lead to the Poisson algebra and the symplectic geometry. Helps readers understand calculations surrounding the geometry of the tensor and the geometry of the calculation of the variation Presents principles that correspond to the energy conservation of material systems Defines the invariance properties associated with Noether's theorem Discusses phase space and Liouville's theorem Identifies small movements and different types of stabilities

Introduction to Tensor Analysis

Is the solar system stable? Is there a unifying 'economy' principle in mechanics? How can a pointmass be described as a 'wave'? This book offers students an understanding of the most relevant and far reaching results of the theory of Analytical Mechanics, including plenty of examples, exercises, and solved problems.

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Tensor Analysis with Applications in Mechanics

Applications not usually taught in physics courses include theory of space-charge limited currents, atmospheric drag, motion of meteoritic dust, variational principles in rocket motion, transfer functions, much more. 1960 edition."

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American Book Publishing Record

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Lagrange and Hamilton, that is, classical analytical dynamics, and its principal applications to constrained systems (contact, rolling, and servoconstraints). It is a book on advanced dynamics from a unified viewpoint, namely, the kinetic principle of virtual work, or principle of Lagrange. As such, it continues, renovates, and expands the grand tradition laid by such mechanics masters as Appell, Maggi, Whittaker, Heun, Hamel, Chetaev, Synge, Pars, Luré, Gantmacher, Neimark, and Fufaev. Many completely solved examples complement the theory, along with many problems (all of the latter with their answers and many of them with hints). Although written at an advanced level, the topics covered in this 1400-page volume (the most extensive ever written on analytical mechanics) are eminently readable and inclusive. It is of interest to engineers, physicists, and mathematicians; advanced undergraduate and graduate students and teachers; researchers and professionals; all will find this encyclopedic work an extraordinary asset; for classroom use or self-study. In this edition, corrections (of the original edition, 2002) have been incorporated.

Analytical Mechanics

Separation of the elements of classical mechanics into kinematics and dynamics is an uncommon tutorial approach, but the author uses it to advantage in this two-volume set. Students gain a mastery of kinematics first – a solid foundation for the later study of the free-body formulation of the dynamics problem. A key objective of these volumes, which present a vector treatment of the principles of mechanics, is to help the student gain confidence in transforming problems into appropriate mathematical language that may be manipulated to give useful physical conclusions or specific numerical results. In the first volume, the elements of vector calculus and the matrix algebra are reviewed in appendices. Unusual mathematical topics, such as singularity functions and some elements of tensor analysis, are introduced within the text. A logical and systematic building of well-known kinematic concepts, theorems, and formulas, illustrated by examples and problems, is presented offering insights into both fundamentals and applications. Problems amplify the material and pave the way for advanced study of topics in mechanical design analysis, advanced kinematics of mechanisms and analytical dynamics, mechanical vibrations and controls, and continuum mechanics of solids and fluids. Volume I of Principles of Engineering Mechanics provides the basis for a stimulating and rewarding one-term course for advanced undergraduate and first-year graduate students specializing in mechanics, engineering science, engineering physics, applied mathematics, materials science, and mechanical, aerospace, and civil engineering. Professionals working in related fields of applied mathematics will find it a practical review and a quick reference for questions involving basic kinematics.

Analytical Mechanics

This textbook is distinguished from other texts on the subject by the depth of the presentation and the discussion of the calculus of moving surfaces, which is an extension of tensor calculus to deforming manifolds. Designed for advanced undergraduate and graduate students, this text invites its audience to take a fresh look at previously learned material through the prism of tensor calculus. Once the framework is mastered, the student is introduced to new material which includes differential geometry on manifolds, shape optimization, boundary perturbation and dynamic fluid film equations. The language of tensors, originally championed by Einstein, is as fundamental as the languages of calculus and linear algebra and is one that every technical scientist ought to speak. The tensor technique, invented at the turn of the 20th century, is now considered classical. Yet, as the author shows, it remains remarkably vital and relevant. The author's skilled lecturing capabilities are evident by the inclusion of insightful examples and a plethora of exercises. A great deal of material is devoted to the geometric fundamentals, the mechanics of change of variables, the proper use of the tensor notation and the discussion of the interplay between algebra and geometry. The early chapters have many words and few equations. The definition of a tensor comes only in Chapter 6 – when the reader is ready for it. While this text maintains a consistent level of rigor, it takes great care to avoid formalizing the subject. The last part of the textbook is devoted to the Calculus of Moving Surfaces. It is the first textbook exposition of this important technique and is one of the gems of this text. A number of exciting applications of the calculus are presented including shape optimization, boundary perturbation of boundary value problems and dynamic fluid film equations developed by the author in recent years. Furthermore, the moving surfaces framework is used to offer new derivations of classical results such as the geodesic equation and the celebrated Gauss-Bonnet theorem.

Nonlinear Control and Analytical Mechanics

Undoubtedly [the book] will be for years the standard reference on symplectic geometry, analytical mechanics and symplectic methods in mathematical physics. --Zentralblatt fur Mathematik For many years, this book has been viewed as a classic treatment of geometric mechanics. It is known for its broad exposition of the subject, with many features that cannot be found elsewhere. The book is recommended as a textbook and as a basic reference work for the foundations of differentiable and Hamiltonian dynamics.

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Key Features:No book of this scope (comprehensiveness and state-of-the-art level) has ever been written, in any language, there are no real competitors. This (like the author's other books) is an entirely original work; several of its topics are based on the author's own research, and appear for the first time in book formReadability ("reader friendliness") in spite of its advanced levelEconomy of thinking: Unified treatment based on Lagrange's kinetic principle of virtual workSuperior and clear notation: both indicial and direct notations for vectors, Cartesian tensors etc.Self-contained exposition: All background mathematics and mechanics are summarized in the handbook like chapter 1Keywords:Analytical Mechanics;Classical Mechanics;Classical Dynamics;Theoretical Mechanics;Advanced Engineering Dynamics;Applied MechanicsReviews: "A monumental treatise … which is going to become a reference book on the subject … It should not be missed by anybody working in the area of analytical dynamics or only wanting to understand major problems of the subject … This landmark reference source … [is] the most comprehensive exposition available of the advanced engineering-oriented dynamics." Zentralblatt für Math. "This unique treatise should be part of every scientific library and scholarly collection in engineering science." IEEE Control Systems Magazine "I recommend without hesitation Prof Papastravridis' treatise as a reference source to be acquired by every library of Mathematics, Physics, or Mechanical/Aeronautical/Electrical Engineering department. It is a different book, especially in our Internet era where instant satisfaction is often the primary (sometimes sole) goal of the student or researcher. Putting together 1392 (!!) pages of carefully prepared text and 172 figures (which then become somehow sparse) represents a major effort, to say the least." Bulletin of the American Mathematical Society "Recipient of the annual competition award, in engineering, of the Association of American Publishers." The Outstanding Professional and Scholarly Titles of 2002 (March 2003) "Unique in Contents and Perspective … has no Competition in Depth and Breadth." Dr George Simitses Professor of Engineering Science, Mechanics, and Aerospace Engineering University of Cincinatti and Georgia Institute of Technology, USA "Probably the best of its kind and likely to become standard reference." Dr Alex Dalgarno FRS, member of US National Academy of Sciences, and "father of molecular astrophysics" and Phillips Professor of Astronomy, Harvard University, and Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, USA "The reviewer shares the author's statement that this book with its almost 1,400 pages is unique among the comparable treatises in the breadth and the depth of the covered material. Regarding technicalities — the students and the young scientists will find a lot of interesting examples and solved up to their very end problems. I recommend you to read this special book in analytical mechanics. It is a useful tool to undergraduate and graduate students, professors and researchers in the area of applied mechanics, engineering science, and mechanical, aerospace, and structural engineering, as well for the physicists and applied mathematicians." Journal of Geometry and Symmetry in Physics

Tensor Analysis

Giving students a thorough grounding in basic problems and their solutions, Analytical Mechanics: Solutions to Problems in Classical Physics presents a short theoretical description of the principles and methods of analytical mechanics, followed by solved problems. The authors thoroughly discuss solutions to the problems by taking a comprehensive approach to explore the methods of investigation. They carefully perform the calculations step by step, graphically displaying some solutions via Mathematica® 4.0. This collection of solved problems gives students experience in applying theory (Lagrangian and Hamiltonian formalisms for discrete and continuous systems, Hamilton-Jacobi method, variational calculus, theory of stability, and more) to problems in classical physics. The authors develop some theoretical subjects, so that students can follow solutions to the problems without appealing to other reference sources. This has been done for both discrete and continuous physical systems or, in analytical terms, systems with finite and infinite degrees of freedom. The authors also highlight the basics of vector algebra and vector analysis, in Appendix B. They thoroughly develop and discuss notions like gradient, divergence, curl, and tensor, together with their physical applications. There are many excellent textbooks dedicated to applied analytical mechanics for both students and their instructors, but this one takes an unusual approach, with a thorough analysis of solutions to the problems and an appropriate choice of applications in various branches of physics. It lays out the similarities and differences between various analytical approaches, and their specific efficiency.

Tensor Calculus

Tensor Analysis

The tensorial nature of a quantity permits us to formulate transformation rules for its components under a change of basis. These rules are relatively simple and easily grasped by any engineering student familiar with matrix operators in linear algebra. More complex problems arise when one considers the tensor fields that describe continuum bodies. In this case general curvilinear coordinates become necessary. The principal basis of a curvilinear system is constructed as a set of vectors tangent to the coordinate lines. Another basis, called the dual basis, is also constructed in a special manner. The existence of these two bases is responsible for the mysterious covariant and contravariant terminology encountered in tensor discussions. A tensor field is a tensor-valued function of position in space. The use of tensor fields allows us to present physical laws in a clear, compact form. A byproduct is a set of simple and clear rules for the representation of vector differential operators such as gradient, divergence, and Laplacian in curvilinear coordinate systems. This book is a clear, concise, and self-contained treatment of tensors, tensor fields, and their applications. The book contains practically all the material on tensors needed for applications. It shows how this material is applied in mechanics, covering the foundations of the linear theories of elasticity and elastic shells. The main results are all presented in the first four chapters. The remainder of the book shows how one can apply these results to differential geometry and the study of various types of objects in continuum mechanics such as elastic bodies, plates, and shells. Each chapter of this new edition is supplied with exercises and problems most with solutions, hints, or answers to help the reader progress. An extended appendix serves as a handbook-style summary of all important formulas contained in the book.

Analytical mechanics. Stability of motion. Celestial ballistics

Principles & Applications of Tensor Analysis

Tensor Analysis on Manifolds

Fluid Mechanics for Engineers

DIVProceeds from general to special, including chapters on vector analysis on manifolds and integration theory. /div

Foundations of Mechanics

Foundations of Micropolar Mechanics

Tensor Calculus and Analytical Dynamics provides a concise, comprehensive, and readable introduction to classical tensor calculus - in both holonomic and nonholonomic coordinates - as well as to its principal applications to the Lagrangean dynamics of discrete systems under positional or velocity constraints. The thrust of the book focuses on formal structure and basic geometrical/physical ideas underlying most general equations of motion of mechanical systems under linear velocity constraints. Written for the theoretically minded engineer, Tensor Calculus and Analytical Dynamics contains uniquely accessbile treatments of such intricate topics as: tensor calculus in nonholonomic variables Pfaffian nonholonomic constraints related integrability theory of Frobenius The book enables readers to move quickly and confidently in any particular geometry-based area of theoretical or applied mechanics in either classical or modern form.

Tensors, Differential Forms, and Variational Principles

Macromolecules in Solution and Brownian Relativity illustrates the recent picture of statistical physics of polymers and polymer solutions that emerges from some paradigms of contemporary science joint together. Among its principal aims are discussing the consequences of a novel self-diffusion theory, which benefits from an extension towards relativistic-like principles, and the generalization of usual concepts met in polymer science in terms of geometry alone. The monograph gives the whole fundamentals necessary to handle the view proposed, which is set in the final chapters. All the formers see about to provide the reader with a comprehensive treatation of the necessary fundamentals of classical, relativistic, quantum and statistical mechanics. Among the most important mechanical theories ever developed, a chapter on the Brownian movement and another on macromolecules prepare the ground that is specific to face universality and scaling behaviors in polymer solutions. The scope of the book is therefore two-fold: On the one hand, it wishes to involve the readers and scholars into a new research on polymer physics and chemistry. On the other, to get close chemical physicists and physical chemists to disciplines which, traditionally, are far from their direct fields of interest. Cross-disciplinarity Novelty Potentiality

Tensor Analysis for Engineers and Physicists - With Application to Continuum Mechanics, Turbulence, and Einstein’s Special and General Theory of Relativity

The book presents foundations of the micropolar continuum mechanics including a short but comprehensive introduction of stress and strain measures, derivation of motion equations and discussion of the difference between Cosserat and classical (Cauchy) continua, and the discussion of more specific problems related to the constitutive modeling, i.e. constitutive inequalities, symmetry groups, acceleration waves, etc.

Applications Of Tensor Analysis In Continuum Mechanics

Advanced Dynamics is a broad and detailed description of the analytical tools of dynamics as used in mechanical and aerospace engineering. The strengths and weaknesses of various approaches are discussed, and particular emphasis is placed on learning through problem solving. The book begins with a thorough review of vectorial dynamics and goes on to cover Lagrange's and Hamilton's equations as well as less familiar topics such as impulse response, and differential forms and integrability. Techniques are described that provide a considerable improvement in computational efficiency over the standard classical methods, especially when applied to complex dynamical systems. The treatment of numerical analysis includes discussions of numerical stability and constraint stabilization. Many worked examples and homework problems are provided. The book is intended for use on graduate courses on dynamics, and will also appeal to researchers in mechanical and aerospace engineering.

Tensor Analysis

This book unies the common tensor analytical aspects in engineering and physics. Using tensor analysis enables the reader to understand complex physical phenomena from the basic principles in continuum mechanics including the turbulence, its correlations and modeling to the complex Einstein' tensor equation. The development of General Theory of Relativity and the introduction of spacetime geometry would not have been possible without the use of tensor analysis. This textbook is primarily aimed at students of mechanical, electrical, aerospace, civil and other engineering disciplines as well as of theoretical physics. It also covers the special needs of practicing professionals who perform CFD-simulation on a routine basis and would like to know more about the underlying physics of the commercial codes they use. Furthermore, it is suitable for self-study, provided that the reader has a sufficient knowledge of differential and integral calculus. Particular attention was paid to selecting the application examples. The transformation of Cartesian coordinate system into curvilinear one and the subsequent applications to conservation laws of continuum mechanics and the turbulence physics prepares the reader for fully understanding the Einstein tensor equations, which exhibits one of the most complex tensor equation in theoretical physics.

Analytical Mechanics

In this text which gradually develops the tools for formulating and manipulating the field equations of Continuum Mechanics, the mathematics of tensor analysis is introduced in four, well-separated stages, and the physical interpretation and application of vectors and tensors are stressed throughout. This new edition contains more exercises. In addition, the author has appended a section on Differential Geometry.

Mathematical Methods of Analytical Mechanics

This is a translation of A.I. Lurie’s classical Russian textbook on analytical mechanics. It offers a consummate exposition of the subject of analytical mechanics through a deep analysis of its most fundamental concepts. The book has served as a desk text for at least two generations of researchers working in those fields where the Soviet Union accomplished the greatest technological breakthrough of the 20th century - a race into space. Those and other related fields continue to be intensively explored since then, and the book clearly demonstrates how the fundamental concepts of mechanics work in the context of up-to-date engineering problems.

Classical Mechanics

Through several centuries there has been a lively interaction between mathematics and mechanics. On the one side, mechanics has used mathemat ics to formulate the basic laws and to apply them to a host of problems that call for the quantitative prediction of the consequences of some action. On the other side, the needs of mechanics have stimulated the development of mathematical concepts. Differential calculus grew out of the needs of Newtonian dynamics; vector algebra was developed as a means . to describe force systems; vector analysis, to study velocity fields and force fields; and the calcul~s of variations has evolved from the energy principles of mechan ics. In recent times the theory of tensors has attracted the attention of the mechanics people. Its very name indicates its origin in the theory of elasticity. For a long time little use has been made of it in this area, but in the last decade its usefulness in the mechanics of continuous media has been widely recognized. While the undergraduate textbook literature in this country was becoming "vectorized" (lagging almost half a century behind the development in Europe), books dealing with various aspects of continuum mechanics took to tensors like fish to water. Since many authors were not sure whether their readers were sufficiently familiar with tensors~ they either added' a chapter on tensors or wrote a separate book on the subject.

Principles of Engineering Mechanics

Classical Mechanics

Fundamental introduction of absolute differential calculus and for those interested in applications of tensor calculus to mathematical physics and engineering. Topics include spaces and tensors; basic operations in Riemannian space, curvature of space, more.

Continuum Mechanics and Plasticity

Tremendous advances in computer technologies and methods have precipitated a great demand for refinements in the constitutive models of plasticity. Such refinements include the development of a model that would account for material anisotropy and produces results that compare well with experimental data. Key to developing such models-and to meeting many other challenges in the field- is a firm grasp of the principles of continuum mechanics and how they apply to the formulation of plasticity theory. Also critical is understanding the experimental aspects of plasticity and material anisotropy. Integrating the traditionally separate subjects of continuum mechanics and plasticity, this book builds understanding in all of those areas. Part I provides systematic, comprehensive coverage of continuum mechanics, from a review of Carteisian tensors to the relevant conservation laws and constitutive equation. Part II offers an exhaustive presentation of the continuum theory of plasticity. This includes a unique treatment of the experimental aspects of plasticity, covers anisotropic plasticity, and incorporates recent research results related to the endochronic theory of plasticity obtained by the author and his colleagues. By bringing all of these together in one book, Continuum Mechanics and Plasticity facilitates the learning of solid mechanics. Its readers will be well prepared for pursuing either research related to the mechanical behavior of engineering materials or developmental work in engineering analysis and design.

A Brief on Tensor Analysis

'A strong point of this book is its coverage of tensor theory, which is herein deemed both more readable and more substantial than many other historic continuum mechanics books. The book is self-contained. It serves admirably as a reference resource on fundamental principles and equations of tensor mathematics applied to continuum mechanics. Exercises and problem sets are useful for teaching ... The book is highly recommended as both a graduate textbook and a reference work for students and more senior researchers involved in theoretical and mathematical modelling of continuum mechanics of materials. Key concepts are well described in the text and are supplemented by informative exercises and problem sets with solutions, and comprehensive Appendices provide important equations for ease of reference.'Contemporary PhysicsA tensor field is a tensor-valued function of position in space. The use of tensor fields allows us to present physical laws in a clear, compact form. A byproduct is a set of simple and clear rules for the representation of vector differential operators such as gradient, divergence, and Laplacian in curvilinear coordinate systems. The tensorial nature of a quantity permits us to formulate transformation rules for its components under a change of basis. These rules are relatively simple and easily grasped by any engineering student familiar with matrix operators in linear algebra. More complex problems arise when one considers the tensor fields that describe continuum bodies. In this case general curvilinear coordinates become necessary. The principal basis of a curvilinear system is constructed as a set of vectors tangent to the coordinate lines. Another basis, called the dual basis, is also constructed in a special manner. The existence of these two bases is responsible for the mysterious covariant and contravariant terminology encountered in tensor discussions.This book provides a clear, concise, and self-contained treatment of tensors and tensor fields. It covers the foundations of linear elasticity, shell theory, and generalized continuum media, offers hints, answers, and full solutions for many of the problems and exercises, and Includes a handbook-style summary of important tensor formulas.The book can be useful for beginners who are interested in the basics of tensor calculus. It also can be used by experienced readers who seek a comprehensive review on applications of the tensor calculus in mechanics.

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Fluid Mechanics for Engineers

Gregory's Classical Mechanics is a major new textbook for undergraduates in mathematics and physics. It is a thorough, self-contained and highly readable account of a subject many students find difficult. The author's clear and systematic style promotes a good understanding of the subject: each concept is motivated and illustrated by worked examples, while problem sets provide plenty of practice for understanding and technique. Computer assisted problems, some suitable for projects, are also included. The book is structured to make learning the subject easy; there is a natural progression from core topics to more advanced ones and hard topics are treated with particular care. A theme of the book is the importance of conservation principles. These appear first in vectorial mechanics where they are proved and applied to problem solving. They reappear in analytical mechanics, where they are shown to be related to symmetries of the Lagrangian, culminating in Noether's theorem.

Macromolecules in Solution and Brownian Relativity

Electro-technology Newsletter

This book is designed for students in engineering, physics and mathematics. The material can be taught from the beginning of the third academic year. It could also be used for self study, given its pedagogical structure and the numerous solved problems which prepare for modem physics and technology. One of the original aspects of this work is the development together of the basic theory of tensors and the foundations of continuum mechanics. Why two books in one? Firstly, Tensor Analysis provides a thorough introduction of intrinsic mathematical entities, called tensors, which is essential for continuum mechanics. This way of proceeding greatly unifies the various subjects. Only some basic knowledge of linear algebra is necessary to start out on the topic of tensors. The essence of the mathematical foundations is introduced in a practical way. Tensor developments are often too abstract, since they are either aimed at algebraists only, or too quickly applied to physicists and engineers. Here a good balance has been found which allows these extremes to be brought closer together. Though the exposition of tensor theory forms a subject in itself, it is viewed not only as an autonomous mathematical discipline, but as a preparation for theories of physics and engineering. More specifically, because this part of the work deals with tensors in general coordinates and not solely in Cartesian coordinates, it will greatly help with many different disciplines such as differential geometry, analytical mechanics, continuum mechanics, special relativity, general relativity, cosmology, electromagnetism, quantum mechanics, etc ..

Analytical Mechanics

Most of the text comes from this level courses that the author taught at universities and engineering schools. In the particular case where such a course cannot be taught to engineers, a lot of introduced matters constitute the mathematical and mechanical bases of applied engineering mechanics. The various chapters connect the notions of mechanics of first and second year with the ones which are developed in more specialized subjects as continuum mechanics at first, and fluid-dynamics, quantum mechanics, special relativity, general relativity, electromagnetism, stellar dynamics, celestial mechanics, meteorology, applied differential geometry, and so on. This book is the ideal mathematical and mechanical preparation for the above mentioned specialized disciplines. This is a course of Analytical Mechanics which synthesizes the notions of first level mechanics and leads to the various mentioned disciplines by introducing mathematical concepts as tensor and virtual work methods. Analytical mechanics is not only viewed as a self-sufficient mathematical discipline, but as a subject of mechanics preparing for theories of physics and engineering too.

Tensor Calculus and Analytical Dynamics

This textbook takes a broad yet thorough approach to mechanics, aimed at bridging the gap between classical analytic and modern differential geometric approaches to the subject. Developed by the authors from over 30 years of teaching experience, the presentation is designed to give students an overview of the many different models used through the history of the field—from Newton to Hamilton—while also painting a clear picture of the most modern developments. The text is organized into two parts. The first focuses on developing the mathematical framework of linear algebra and differential geometry necessary for the remainder of the book. Topics covered include tensor algebra, Euclidean and symplectic vector spaces, differential manifolds, and absolute differential calculus. The second part of the book applies these topics to kinematics, rigid body dynamics, Lagrangian and Hamiltonian dynamics, Hamilton–Jacobi theory, completely integrable systems, statistical mechanics of equilibrium, and impulsive dynamics, among others. This new edition has been completely revised and updated and now includes almost 200 exercises, as well as new chapters on celestial mechanics, one-dimensional continuous systems, and variational calculus with applications. Several Mathematica® notebooks are available to download that will further aid students in their understanding of some of the more difficult material. Unique in its scope of coverage and method of approach, Classical Mechanics with Mathematica® will be useful resource for graduate students and advanced undergraduates in applied mathematics and physics who hope to gain a deeper understanding of mechanics.

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Tensor Analysis and Continuum Mechanics

Incisive, self-contained account of tensor analysis and the calculus of exterior differential forms, interaction between the concept of invariance and the calculus of variations. Emphasis is on analytical techniques. Includes problems.