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Microfabrication and precision engineering is an increasingly important area relating to metallic, polymers, ceramics, composites, biomaterials and complex materials. Micro-electro-mechanical-systems (MEMS) emphasize miniaturization in both electronic and mechanical components. Microsystem products may be classified by application, and have been applied to a variety of fields, including medical, automotive, aerospace and alternative energy.

Microsystems technology refers to the products as well as the fabrication technologies used in production. With detailed information on modelling of micro and nano-scale cutting, as well as innovative machining strategies involved in microelectrochemical applications, microchannel fabrication, as well as underwater pulsed Laser beam cutting, among other techniques, Microfabrication and Precision Engineering is a valuable reference for students, researchers and professionals in the microfabrication and precision engineering fields. Contains contributions by top industry experts Includes the latest techniques and strategies Special emphasis given to state-of-the art research and development in microfabrication and precision engineering

This textbook introduces students to mass and energy balances and focuses on basic principles for calculation, design, and optimization as they are applied in industrial processes and equipment. While written primarily for undergraduate programs in chemical, energy,

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mechanical, and environmental engineering, the book can also be used as a reference by technical staff and design engineers interested who are in, and/or need to have basic knowledge of process engineering calculation. Concepts and techniques presented in this volume are highly relevant within many industrial sectors including manufacturing, oil/gas, green and sustainable energy, and power plant design. Drawing on 15 years of teaching experiences, and with a clear understanding of students' interests, the authors have adopted a very accessible writing style that includes many examples and additional citations to research resources from the literature, referenced at the ends of chapters.

The Mechanical Engineer's Handbook was developed and written specifically to fill a need for mechanical engineers and mechanical engineering students throughout the world. With over 1000 pages, 550 illustrations, and 26 tables the Mechanical Engineer's Handbook is very comprehensive, yet affordable, compact, and durable. The Handbook covers all major areas of mechanical engineering with succinct coverage of the definitions, formulas, examples, theory, proofs, and explanations of all principle subject areas. The Handbook is an essential, practical companion for all mechanical engineering students with core coverage of nearly all relevant courses included. Also, anyone preparing for the engineering licensing examinations will find this handbook to be an invaluable aid. Useful analytical techniques provide the student and practicing engineer with powerful tools for mechanical design. This book is designed to be a portable reference with a depth of coverage not found in "pocketbooks" of formulas and definitions and without the verbosity, high price, and excessive size of the huge encyclopedic handbooks. If an engineer needs a quick reference for a wide array of information, yet does not have a full library of textbooks or does not want to spend the extra time and effort necessary to

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search and carry a six pound handbook, this book is for them. * Covers all major areas of mechanical engineering with succinct coverage of the definitions, formulae, examples, theory, proofs and explanations of all principle subject areas * Boasts over 1000 pages, 550 illustrations, and 26 tables * Is comprehensive, yet affordable, compact, and durable with strong 'flexible' binding * Possesses a true handbook 'feel' in size and design with a full colour cover, thumb index, cross-references and useful printed endpapers

A student-friendly introduction to core mechanical engineering topics. This book introduces mechanical principles and technology through examples and applications, enabling students to develop a sound understanding of both engineering principles and their use in practice. These theoretical concepts are supported by 400 fully worked problems, 700 further problems with answers, and 300 multiple-choice questions, all of which add up to give the reader a firm grounding on each topic. Two new chapters are included, covering the basic principles of matrix algebra and the matrix displacement method. The latter will also include guidance on software that can be used via SmartPhones, tablets or laptops. The new edition is up to date with the latest BTEC National specifications and can also be used on undergraduate courses in mechanical, civil, structural, aeronautical and marine engineering, and naval architecture. A companion website contains the fully worked solutions to the problems and revision tests, practical demonstration videos, as well as a glossary and information on the famous engineers mentioned in the text.

For the students of B.E./B.Tech. of Maharshi Dayanand University (MDU), Rohtak and Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra. The book contains a large no. of solved and unsolved problems. This has been supplemented with Multichoice questions, review questions, true and

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false and fill in the blanks type of questions.

This book is about the role of some engineering principles in our everyday lives. Engineers study these principles and use them in the design and analysis of the products and systems with which they work. The same principles play basic and influential roles in our everyday lives as well. Whether the concept of entropy, the moments of inertia, the natural frequency, the Coriolis acceleration, or the electromotive force, the roles and effects of these phenomena are the same in a system designed by an engineer or created by nature. This shows that learning about these engineering concepts helps us to understand why certain things happen or behave the way they do, and that these concepts are not strange phenomena invented by individuals only for their own use, rather, they are part of our everyday physical and natural world, but are used to our benefit by the engineers and scientists. Learning about these principles might also help attract more and more qualified and interested high school and college students to the engineering fields. Each chapter of this book explains one of these principles through examples, discussions, and at times, simple equations.

At head of title: From the professors who know it best.

The Handbook of Mechanical Engineering is a complete work for B.E./B.Tech. students as well as applicants preparing for competitive examinations such as the IES/IFS/GATE State Services and competitive tests held by public and private sector businesses to choose apprentice engineers. The third edition of this well-designed textbook presents the principles of mechanical engineering in the areas of thermodynamics, mechanics, machine theory, material strength, and fluid dynamics. This work is well adapted to

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meet the needs of the common course in mechanical engineering specified in the curriculum of practically all areas of engineering, as these courses are a fundamental aspect of an engineer's education. To match the course requirement, this revised "THIRD EDITION" includes a new chapter on 'Hydraulic and Pneumatic System.' With the world's finest engineering manual, you can solve any mechanical engineering problem fast and easily. Nearly 2400 pages of mechanical engineering facts, figures, standards, and practises, 2000 illustrations, and 900 tables clarifying important mathematical and engineering principles, as well as the collective wisdom of 160 experts, will help you answer any analytical, design, or application question you may have. Covers the important aspects of mechanical engineering in a concise manner, including definitions, equations, examples, theory, proofs, and explanations for all major topic areas. The purpose of the third edition of the Handbook of Principle of Mechanical Engineering is to continue providing practicing engineers in industry, government, and academia with up-to-date information on the most important topics of modern mechanical engineering. ? This book provides a comprehensive and wide-ranging introduction to the fundamental principles of mechanical engineering in a distinct and clear manner. The book is intended for a core introductory course in the area of foundations and applications of mechanical engineering, ? This book Principles of Mechanical Engineering covers Below Subjects ? Mechanical measurement, and Statistics ? Machine Design ? Mechatronics ? Power Engineering ? Theory of Machine

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Science is for those who learn; poetry for those who know. —Joseph Roux This book is a continuation of my previous book, Dynamics and Control of Structures [44]. The expanded book includes three additional chapters and an additional appendix: Chapter 3, “Special Models”; Chapter 8, “Modal Actuators and Sensors”; and Chapter 9, “System Identification.” Other chapters have been significantly revised and supplemented with new topics, including discrete-time models of structures, limited-time and -frequency grammians and reduction, almo- balanced modal models, simultaneous placement of sensors and actuators, and structural damage detection. The appendices have also been updated and expanded. Appendix A consists of thirteen new Matlab programs. Appendix B is a new addition and includes eleven Matlab programs that solve examples from each chapter. In Appendix C model data are given. Several books on structural dynamics and control have been published. Meirovitch’s textbook [108] covers methods of structural dynamics (virtual work, d’Alambert’s principle, Hamilton’s principle, Lagrange’s and Hamilton’s equations, and modal analysis of structures) and control (pole placement methods, LQG design, and modal control).

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Ewins's book [33] presents methods of modal testing of structures. Natke's book [111] on structural identification also contains excellent material on structural dynamics. Fuller, Elliot, and Nelson [40] cover problems of structural active control and structural acoustic control.

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Mechanical Engineer's Reference Book, 12th Edition is a 19-chapter text that covers the basic principles of mechanical engineering. The first chapters discuss the principles of mechanical engineering, electrical and electronics, microprocessors, instrumentation, and control. The succeeding chapters deal with the applications of computers and computer-integrated engineering systems; the design standards; and materials' properties and selection. Considerable chapters are devoted to other basic knowledge in mechanical engineering, including solid mechanics, tribology, power units and transmission, fuels and combustion, and alternative energy sources. The remaining chapters explore other engineering fields related to mechanical engineering, including nuclear, offshore, and plant engineering. These chapters also cover the topics of manufacturing methods, engineering mathematics, health and safety, and units of measurements. This book will be of great value to mechanical engineers.

Mechanical Design Engineering Handbook is a straight-talking and forward-thinking reference covering the design, specification, selection, use and integration of machine

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elements fundamental to a wide range of engineering applications. Develop or refresh your mechanical design skills in the areas of bearings, shafts, gears, seals, belts and chains, clutches and brakes, springs, fasteners, pneumatics and hydraulics, amongst other core mechanical elements, and dip in for principles, data and calculations as needed to inform and evaluate your on-the-job decisions. Covering the full spectrum of common mechanical and machine components that act as building blocks in the design of mechanical devices, Mechanical Design Engineering Handbook also includes worked design scenarios and essential background on design methodology to help you get started with a problem and repeat selection processes with successful results time and time again. This practical handbook will make an ideal shelf reference for those working in mechanical design across a variety of industries and a valuable learning resource for advanced students undertaking engineering design modules and projects as part of broader mechanical, aerospace, automotive and manufacturing programs. Clear, concise text explains key component technology, with step-by-step procedures, fully worked design scenarios, component images and cross-sectional line drawings all incorporated for ease of understanding Provides essential data, equations and interactive ancillaries, including calculation spreadsheets, to inform decision making, design evaluation and incorporation of components into overall designs Design procedures and methods covered include references to national and international standards where appropriate

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Although the empirical treatment of fluid flow and heat transfer in porous media is over a century old, only in the last three decades has the transport in these heterogeneous systems been addressed in detail. So far, single-phase flows in porous media have been treated or at least formulated satisfactorily, while the subject of two-phase flow and the related heat-transfer in porous media is still in its infancy. This book identifies the principles of transport in porous media and compares the available predictions based on theoretical treatments of various transport mechanisms with the existing experimental results. The theoretical treatment is based on the volume-averaging of the momentum and energy equations with the closure conditions necessary for obtaining solutions. While emphasizing a basic understanding of heat transfer in porous media, this book does not ignore the need for predictive tools; whenever a rigorous theoretical treatment of a phenomena is not available, semi-empirical and empirical treatments are given.

Evolving from more than 30 years of research and teaching experience, Principles of Solid Mechanics offers an in-depth treatment of the application of the full-range theory of deformable solids for analysis and design. Unlike other texts, it is not either a civil or mechanical engineering text, but both. It treats not only analysis but incorporates design along with experimental observation. Principles of Solid Mechanics serves as a core course textbook for advanced seniors and first-year graduate students. The author focuses on basic concepts

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and applications, simple yet unsolved problems, inverse strategies for optimum design, unanswered questions, and unresolved paradoxes to intrigue students and encourage further study. He includes plastic as well as elastic behavior in terms of a unified field theory and discusses the properties of field equations and requirements on boundary conditions crucial for understanding the limits of numerical modeling. Designed to help guide students with little experimental experience and no exposure to drawing and graphic analysis, the text presents carefully selected worked examples. The author makes liberal use of footnotes and includes over 150 figures and 200 problems. This, along with his approach, allows students to see the full range, non-linear response of structures.

"Mechanical Engineering Principles offers a student-friendly introduction to core engineering topics that does not assume any previous background in engineering studies, and as such can act as a core textbook for several engineering courses. Bird and Ross introduce mechanical principles and technology through examples and applications rather than theory. This approach enables students to develop a sound understanding of the engineering principles and their use in practice. Theoretical concepts are supported by over 600 problems and 400 worked answers. The new edition will match up to the latest BTEC National specifications and can also be used on mechanical engineering courses from Levels 2 to 4"--

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be able to access the free companion website at: www.routledge/cw/bird where they will find videos of practical demonstrations by Carl Ross. Full worked solutions of all 600 of the further problems will be available for lecturers/instructors use, as will the full solutions and marking scheme for the 8 revision tests.

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

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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. Another rare book in an unpublished field. A sequel to Armament Engineering: A Computer Aided Approach, it covers the design principles of large caliber gun systems with brilliant simplicity.

With a focus on electromechanical systems in a variety of fields, this accessible introductory text brings you coverage of the full range of electrical mechanical devices used today. You'll gain a comprehensive understanding of the design process and get valuable insights into good design practice. UNDERSTANDING ELECTROMECHANICAL ENGINEERING will be of interest to anyone in need of a non-technical, interdisciplinary introduction to the thriving field of mechatronics. The Mechanical Engineer's Handbook was developed and written specifically to

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fill a need for mechanical engineers and mechanical engineering students. With over 1000 pages, 550 illustrations, and 26 tables the Mechanical Engineer's Handbook is comprehensive, compact and durable. The Handbook covers major areas of mechanical engineering with succinct coverage of the definitions, formulas, examples, theory, proofs, and explanations of all principle subject areas. The Handbook is an essential, practical companion for all mechanical engineering students with core coverage of nearly all relevant courses included. Also, anyone preparing for the engineering licensing examinations will find this handbook to be an invaluable aid. Useful analytical techniques provide the student and practicing engineer with powerful tools for mechanical design. This book is designed to be a portable reference with a depth of coverage not found in "pocketbooks" of formulas and definitions and without the verbosity, high price, and excessive size of the huge encyclopedic handbooks. If an engineer needs a quick reference for a wide array of information, yet does not have a full library of textbooks or does not want to spend the extra time and effort necessary to search and carry a six pound handbook, this book is for them. * Covers all major areas of mechanical engineering with succinct coverage of the definitions, formulae, examples, theory, proofs and explanations of all principle subject areas * Boasts over 1000 pages, 550 illustrations, and 26 tables * Is comprehensive,

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yet affordable, compact, and durable with strong 'flexible' binding * Possesses a true handbook 'feel' in size and design with a full colour cover, thumb index, cross-references and useful printed endpapers

This textbook is for a one semester introductory course in thermodynamics, primarily for use in a mechanical or aerospace engineering program, although it could also be used in an engineering science curriculum. The book contains a section on the geometry of curves and surfaces, in order to review those parts of calculus that are needed in thermodynamics for interpolation and in discussing thermodynamic equations of state of simple substances. It presents the First Law of Thermodynamics as an equation for the time rate of change of system energy, the same way that Newton's Law of Motion, an equation for the time rate of change of system momentum, is presented in Dynamics. Moreover, this emphasis illustrates the importance of the equation to the study of heat transfer and fluid mechanics. New thermodynamic properties, such as internal energy and entropy, are introduced with a motivating discussion rather than by abstract postulation, and connection is made with kinetic theory. Thermodynamic properties of the vaporizable liquids needed for the solution of practical thermodynamic problems (e.g. water and various refrigerants) are presented in a unique tabular format that is both simple to understand and easy to use. All theoretical discussions throughout the book are accompanied by worked examples illustrating their use in practical devices. These examples of the solution of various kinds of thermodynamic problems are all structured in exactly the same way in order to make, as a result of the repetitions, the solution of new problems easier for students to follow, and ultimately, to produce themselves.

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Many additional problems are provided, half of them with answers, for students to do on their own.

This resource covers all areas of interest for the practicing engineer as well as for the student at various levels and educational institutions. It features the work of authors from all over the world who have contributed their expertise and support the globally working engineer in finding a solution for today's mechanical engineering problems. Each subject is discussed in detail and supported by numerous figures and tables.

Completely revised and updated, *Principles of Sustainable Energy Systems, Second Edition* presents broad-based coverage of sustainable energy sources and systems. The book is designed as a text for undergraduate seniors and first-year graduate students. It focuses on renewable energy technologies, but also treats current trends such as the expanding use of natural gas from fracking and development of nuclear power. It covers the economics of sustainable energy, both from a traditional monetary as well as from an energy return on energy invested (EROI) perspective. The book provides complete and up-to-date coverage of all renewable technologies, including solar and wind power, biological processes such as anaerobic digestion and geothermal energy. The new edition also examines social issues such as food, water, population, global warming, and public policies of engineering concern. It discusses energy transition—the process by which renewable energy forms can effectively be introduced into existing energy systems to replace fossil fuels. See *What's New in the Second Edition*: Extended treatment of the energy and social issues related to sustainable energy Analytic models of all energy systems in the current and future economy Thoroughly updated chapters on biomass, wind, transportation, and all types of solar power Treatment of energy

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return on energy invested (EROI) as a tool for understanding the sustainability of different types of resource conversion and efficiency projects Introduction of the System Advisor Model (SAM) software program, available from National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL), with examples and homework problems Coverage of current issues in transition engineering providing analytic tools that can reduce the risk of unsustainable fossil resource use Updates to all chapters on renewable energy technology engineering, in particular the chapters dealing with transportation, passive design, energy storage, ocean energy, and bioconversion Written by Frank Kreith and Susan Krumdieck, this updated version of a successful textbook takes a balanced approach that looks not only at sustainable energy sources, but also provides examples of energy storage, industrial process heat, and modern transportation. The authors take an analytical systems approach to energy engineering, rather than the more general and descriptive approach usually found in textbooks on this topic.

This book presents the diverse and rapidly expanding field of Entropy Generation Minimization (EGM), the method of thermodynamic optimization of real devices. The underlying principles of the EGM method - also referred to as "thermodynamic optimization," "thermodynamic design," and "finite time thermodynamics" - are thoroughly discussed, and the method's applications to real devices are clearly illustrated. The EGM field has experienced tremendous growth during the 1980s and 1990s. This book places EGM's growth in perspective by reviewing both sides of the field - engineering and physics. Special emphasis is given to chronology and to the relationship between the more recent work and the pioneering work that outlined the method and the field. Entropy Generation Minimization combines the fundamental principles of thermodynamics, heat transfer, and fluid mechanics. EGM applies these principles to the

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modeling and optimization of real systems and processes that are characterized by finite size and finite time constraints, and are limited by heat and mass transfer and fluid flow irreversibilities. Entropy Generation Minimization provides a straightforward presentation of the principles of the EGM method, and features examples that elucidate concepts and identify recent EGM advances in engineering and physics. Modern advances include the optimization of storage by melting and solidification; heat exchanger design; power from hot-dry-rock deposits; the on & off operation of defrosting refrigerators and power plants with fouled heat exchangers; the production of ice and other solids; the maximization of power output in simple power plant models with heat transfer irreversibilities; the minimization of refrigerator power input in simple models; and the optimal collection and use of solar energy.

Tokamak Engineering Mechanics offers concise and thorough coverage of engineering mechanics theory and application for tokamaks, and the material is reinforced by numerous examples. Chapter topics include general principles, static mechanics, dynamic mechanics, thermal fluid mechanics and multiphysics structural mechanics of tokamak structure analysis. The theoretical principle of the design and the methods of the analysis for various components and load conditions are presented, while the latest engineering technologies are also introduced. The book will provide readers involved in the study of mechanical/fusion engineering with a general understanding of tokamak engineering mechanics. Yuntao Song is Head of the Tokamak Design Division at the Institute of Plasma Physics, Chinese Academic of Science (ASIPP), China.

This textbook is designed to serve as a text for undergraduate students of mechanical engineering. It covers fundamental principles, design methodologies and applications of

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machine elements. It helps students to learn to analyse and design basic machine elements in mechanical systems. Beginning with the basic concepts, the book discusses wide range of topics in design of mechanical elements. The emphasis is on the underlying concepts of design procedures. The inclusion of machine tool design makes the book very useful for the students of production engineering. Students will learn to design different types of elements used in the machine design process such as fasteners, shafts, couplings, etc. and will be able to design these elements for each application. Following a simple and easy to understand approach, the text contains:

- Variety of illustrated design problems in detail
- Step by step design procedures of different machine elements
- Large number of machine design data

Audience Undergraduate students of Mechanical Engineering.

Discussing the principles of physical and geometrical optics from an engineering point of view, this book explains current optical technology and the applications of optical methods in a wide variety of fields, from astronomy and agriculture to medicine and semiconductors. It offers guidance in the selection of optical components for the construction of bread-board models using commercially available, standard components, and provides immediately useful equations without unnecessary mathematical derivations.

Principles of Composite Material Mechanics covers a unique blend of classical and contemporary mechanics of composites technologies. It presents analytical approaches ranging from the elementary mechanics of materials to more advanced elasticity and finite element numerical methods, discusses novel materials such as nanocomposites and hybrid multiscale composites, and examines the hygrothermal, viscoelastic, and dynamic behavior of composites. This fully revised and expanded Fourth Edition of the popular bestseller reflects

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the current state of the art, fresh insight gleaned from the author's ongoing composites research, and pedagogical improvements based on feedback from students, colleagues, and the author's own course notes. New to the Fourth Edition New worked-out examples and homework problems are added in most chapters, bringing the grand total to 95 worked-out examples (a 19% increase) and 212 homework problems (a 12% increase) Worked-out example problems and homework problems are now integrated within the chapters, making it clear to which section each example problem and homework problem relates Answers to selected homework problems are featured in the back of the book Principles of Composite Material Mechanics, Fourth Edition provides a solid foundation upon which students can begin work in composite materials science and engineering. A complete solutions manual is included with qualifying course adoption.

Alan Darbyshire's best-selling text book provides five-star high quality content to a potential audience of 13,000 engineering students. It explains the most popular specialist units of the Mechanical Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering and Operations & Maintenance Engineering pathways of the new 2010 BTEC National Engineering syllabus. This challenging textbook also features contributions from specialist lecturers, ensuring that no stone is left unturned. Two extra new downloadable chapters will also be available: Principles and Applications of Fluid Mechanics and Principles and Applicatio.

This practical, user-friendly reference book of common mechanical engineering concepts is geared toward makers who don't have (or want) an engineering degree but need to know the essentials of basic mechanical elements to successfully accomplish their personal projects. The book provides practical mechanical engineering information (supplemented with the

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applicable math, science, physics, and engineering theory) without being boring like a typical textbook. Most chapters contain at least one hands-on, fully illustrated, step-by-step project to demonstrate the topic being discussed and requires only common, inexpensive, easily sourced materials and tools. Some projects also provide alternative materials and tools and processes to align with the reader's individual preferences, skills, tools, and materials-at-hand. Linked together via the authors' overarching project -- building a kid-sized tank -- the chapters describe the thinking behind each mechanism and then expands the discussions to similar mechanical concepts in other applications. Written with humor, a bit of irreverence, and entertaining personal insights and first-hand experiences, the book presents complex concepts in an uncomplicated way. Highlights include: Provides mechanical engineering information that includes math, science, physics and engineering theory without being a textbook Contains hands-on projects in each chapter that require common, inexpensive, easily sourced materials and tools All hands-on projects are fully illustrated with step-by-step instructions Some hands-on projects provide alternative materials and tools/processes to align with the reader's individual preferences, skills, tools and materials-at-hand Includes real-world insights from the authors like tips and tricks ("Staying on Track") and fail moments ("Lost Track!") Many chapters contain a section ("Tracking Further") that dives deeper into the chapter subject, for those readers that are interested in more details of the topic Builds on two related Make: projects to link and illustrate all the chapter topics and bring individual concepts together into one system Furnishes an accompanying website that offers further information, illustrations, projects, discussion boards, videos, animations, patterns, drawings, etc. Learn to effectively use professional mechanical engineering principles in your projects, without having to graduate

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