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A First Course in Machine Learning Apr 25 2022 "A First Course in Machine Learning by Simon Rogers and Mark Girolami is the best introductory book for ML currently available. It combines rigor and precision with accessibility, starts from a detailed explanation of the basic foundations of Bayesian analysis in the simplest of settings, and goes all the way to the frontiers of the subject such as infinite mixture models, GPs, and MCMC." —Devdatt Dubhashi, Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Chalmers University, Sweden "This textbook manages to be easier to read than other comparable books in the subject while retaining all the rigorous treatment needed. The new chapters put it at the forefront of the field by covering topics that have become mainstream in machine learning over the last decade." —Daniel Barbara, George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA "The new edition of A First Course in Machine Learning by Rogers and Girolami is an excellent introduction to the use of statistical methods in machine learning. The book introduces concepts such as mathematical modeling, inference, and prediction, providing 'just in time' the essential background on linear algebra, calculus, and probability theory that the reader needs to understand these concepts." —Daniel Ortiz-Arroyo, Associate Professor, Aalborg University Esbjerg, Denmark "I was impressed by how closely the material aligns with the needs of an introductory course on machine learning, which is its greatest strength...Overall, this is a pragmatic and helpful book, which is well-aligned to the needs of an introductory course and one that I will be looking at for my own students in coming months." —David Clifton, University of Oxford, UK "The first edition of this book was already an excellent introductory text on machine learning for an advanced undergraduate or taught masters level course, or indeed for anybody who wants to learn about an interesting and important field of computer science. The additional chapters of advanced material on Gaussian process, MCMC and mixture modeling provide an ideal basis for practical projects, without disturbing the very clear and readable exposition of the basics contained in the first part of the book." —Gavin Cawley, Senior Lecturer, School of Computing Sciences, University of East Anglia, UK "This book could be used for junior/senior undergraduate students or first-year graduate students, as well as individuals who want to explore the field of machine learning...The book introduces not only the concepts but the underlying ideas on algorithm implementation from a critical thinking perspective." —Guangzhi Qu, Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan, USA

First Course in Mathematical Logic Apr 01 2020 Rigorous introduction is simple enough in presentation and context for wide range of students. Symbolizing sentences; logical inference; truth and validity; truth tables; terms, predicates, universal quantifiers; universal specification and laws of identity; more.

A First Course in Digital Communications Sep 26 2019 A concise introduction to the core concepts in digital communication, providing clarity and depth through examples, problems and MATLAB exercises. Its simple structure maps a logical route to understand the most basic principles in digital communication, and also leads students through more in-depth treatment with examples and step-by step instructions.

First Course Nov 01 2022 When four life-altering catastrophes hit in just one day-including the loss of her parents in a tragic plane crash-twenty-four-year-old Janie Whitman retreats to her family's summer house in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Here she tries to provide stability for her older sister Alyssa and two young nieces by cooking them amazing food.Through a mix-up with the alumni office at her parents' alma mater, Janie meets a young high school guidance counselor named Rocky at a volunteer event, and their fast-tracked romance helps Janie to see possibilities beyond the life she had known just a few weeks prior. But with her ex-boyfriend (and former boss) making overtures beyond her wildest dreams, as well as Alyssa's estranged husband willing to do whatever it takes to win her back, the Whitman sisters are faced with big decisions.Despite the obstacles in their way, when Janie and Alyssa are tasked with establishing a lasting memorial for their parents, they just might find the second acts they are seeking.

A First Course in Statistical Inference Jul 17 2021 This book offers a modern and accessible introduction to Statistical Inference, the science of inferring key information from data. Aimed at beginning undergraduate students in mathematics, it presents the concepts underpinning frequentist statistical theory. Written in a conversational and informal style, this concise text concentrates on ideas and concepts, with key theorems stated and proved. Detailed worked examples are included and each chapter ends with a set of exercises, with full solutions given at the back of the book. Examples using R are provided throughout the book, with a brief guide to the software included. Topics covered in the book include: sampling distributions, properties of estimators, confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, ANOVA, and fitting a straight line to paired data. Based on the author's extensive teaching experience, the material of the book has been honed by student feedback for over a decade. Assuming only some familiarity with elementary probability, this textbook has been devised for a one semester first course in statistics.

A First Course in Network Theory Jan 29 2020 The study of network theory is a highly interdisciplinary field, which has emerged as a major topic of interest in various disciplines ranging from physics and mathematics, to biology and sociology. This book promotes the diverse nature of the study of complex networks by balancing the needs of students from very different backgrounds. It references the most commonly used concepts in network theory, provides examples of their applications in solving practical problems, and clear indications on how to analyse their results. In the first part of the book, students and researchers will discover the quantitative and analytical tools necessary to work with complex networks, including the most basic concepts in network and graph theory, linear and matrix algebra, as well as the physical concepts most frequently used for studying networks. They will also find instruction on some key skills such as how to proof analytic results and how to manipulate empirical network data. The bulk of the text is focused on instructing readers on the most useful tools for modern practitioners of network theory. These include degree distributions, random networks, network fragments, centrality measures, clusters and communities, communicability, and local and global properties of networks. The combination of theory, example and method that are presented in this text, should ready the student to conduct their own analysis of networks with confidence and allow teachers to select appropriate examples and problems to teach this subject in the classroom.

A First Course in Functional Analysis Dec 22 2021 Written as a textbook, A First Course in Functional Analysis is an introduction to basic functional analysis and operator theory, with an emphasis on Hilbert space methods. The aim of this book is to introduce the basic notions of functional analysis and operator theory without requiring the student to have taken a course in measure theory as a prerequisite. It is written and structured the way a course would be designed, with an emphasis on clarity and logical development alongside real applications in analysis. The background required for a student taking this course is minimal; basic linear algebra, calculus up to Riemann integration, and some acquaintance with topological and metric

spaces.

Daytime Drama Jun 23 2019 Soap opera star by day, harried, single mom by night, Calliope Hart's life is a delicate balancing act. When the network cancels her show, Callie's world crumbles and she must decide whether it's more important to fight to save the show or take a risk and start over from scratch. "Bruck's deft approach and keen eye for nuance is both clever and ultra-relatable, creating a story and characters that stay with the reader long after the book is done." —Maureen Joyce Connolly, author of Little Lovely Things "Bruck expertly navigates five different points of view, lending further depth to the plot and authenticity to her characters. Daytime Drama is highly enjoyable and memorable read guaranteed stay in readers' hearts long after the final page. Highly recommend!" —Leanne Treese, author of The Language of Divorce "You will love this book—women's fiction at its best!" —Diane Byington, multi-award-winning author of Who She Is and If She Had Stayed

The Book of R Aug 18 2021 The Book of R is a comprehensive, beginner-friendly guide to R, the world's most popular programming language for statistical analysis. Even if you have no programming experience and little more than a grounding in the basics of mathematics, you'll find everything you need to begin using R effectively for statistical analysis. You'll start with the basics, like how to handle data and write simple programs, before moving on to more advanced topics, like producing statistical summaries of your data and performing statistical tests and modeling. You'll even learn how to create impressive data visualizations with R's basic graphics tools and contributed packages, like ggplot2 and ggvis, as well as interactive 3D visualizations using the rgl package. Dozens of hands-on exercises (with downloadable solutions) take you from theory to practice, as you learn: –The fundamentals of programming in R, including how to write data frames, create functions, and use variables, statements, and loops –Statistical concepts like exploratory data analysis, probabilities, hypothesis tests, and regression modeling, and how to execute them in R –How to access R's thousands of functions, libraries, and data sets –How to draw valid and useful conclusions from your data –How to create publication-quality graphics of your results Combining detailed explanations with real-world examples and exercises, this book will provide you with a solid understanding of both statistics and the depth of R's functionality. Make The Book of R your doorway into the growing world of data analysis.

A First Course in Optimization Aug 30 2022 Give Your Students the Proper Groundwork for Future Studies in Optimization A First Course in Optimization is designed for a one-semester course in optimization taken by advanced undergraduate and beginning graduate students in the mathematical sciences and engineering. It teaches students the basics of continuous optimization and helps them better understand the mathematics from previous courses. The book focuses on general problems and the underlying theory. It introduces all the necessary mathematical tools and results. The text covers the fundamental problems of constrained and unconstrained optimization as well as linear and convex programming. It also presents basic iterative solution algorithms (such as gradient methods and the Newton–Raphson algorithm and its variants) and more general iterative optimization methods. This text builds the foundation to understand continuous optimization. It prepares students to study advanced topics found in the author's companion book, Iterative Optimization in Inverse Problems, including sequential unconstrained iterative optimization methods.

A First Course in Calculus May 27 2022 This fifth edition of Lang's book covers all the topics traditionally taught in the first-year calculus sequence. Divided into five parts, each section of A FIRST COURSE IN CALCULUS contains examples and applications relating to the topic covered. In addition, the rear of the book contains detailed solutions to a large number of the exercises, allowing them to be used as worked-out examples -- one of the main improvements over previous editions.

A First Course in Analysis Mar 25 2022 This concise text clearly presents the material needed for year-long analysis courses for advanced undergraduates or beginning graduates.

A First Course in Numerical Methods Oct 27 2019 Offers students a practical knowledge of modern techniques in scientific computing.

A First Course in Algebraic Topology Jun 03 2020 This self-contained introduction to algebraic topology is suitable for a number of topology courses. It consists of about one quarter 'general topology' (without its usual pathologies) and three quarters 'algebraic topology' (centred around the fundamental group, a readily grasped topic which gives a good idea of what algebraic topology is). The book has emerged from courses given at the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to senior undergraduates and beginning postgraduates. It has been written at a level which will enable the reader to use it for self-study as well as a course book. The approach is leisurely and a geometric flavour is evident throughout. The many illustrations and over 350 exercises will prove invaluable as a teaching aid. This account will be welcomed by advanced students of pure mathematics at colleges and universities.

A First Course in Network Science Jul 29 2022 A practical introduction to network science for students across business, cognitive science, neuroscience, sociology, biology, engineering and other disciplines.

A First Course in Mathematical Physics Jan 23 2022 The book assumes next to no prior knowledge of the topic. The first part introduces the core mathematics, always in conjunction with the physical context. In the second part of the book, a series of examples showcases some of the more conceptually advanced areas of physics, the presentation of which draws on the developments in the first part. A large number of problems helps students to hone their skills in using the presented mathematical methods. Solutions to the problems are available to instructors on an associated password-protected website for lecturers.

A First Course in Graph Theory Feb 21 2022 Written by two prominent figures in the field, this comprehensive text provides a remarkably student-friendly approach. Its sound yet accessible treatment emphasizes the history of graph theory and offers unique examples and lucid proofs. 2004 edition.

A First Course in the Calculus of Variations Nov 28 2019 This book is intended for a first course in the calculus of variations, at the senior or beginning graduate level. The reader will learn methods for finding functions that maximize or minimize integrals. The text lays out important necessary and sufficient conditions for extrema in historical order, and it illustrates these conditions with numerous worked-out examples from mechanics, optics, geometry, and other fields. The exposition starts with simple integrals containing a single independent variable, a single dependent variable, and a single derivative, subject to weak variations, but steadily moves on to more advanced topics, including multivariate problems, constrained extrema, homogeneous problems, problems with variable endpoints, broken extremals, strong variations, and sufficiency conditions. Numerous line drawings clarify the mathematics. Each chapter ends with recommended readings that introduce the student to the relevant scientific literature and with exercises that consolidate understanding.

A First Course in Design and Analysis of Experiments Apr 13 2021 Oehlert's text is suitable for either a service course for non-statistics graduate students or for statistics majors. Unlike most texts for the one-term grad/upper level course on experimental design, Oehlert's new book offers a superb balance of both analysis and design, presenting three practical themes to students: • when to use various designs • how to analyze the results • how to recognize various design options Also, unlike other older texts, the book is fully oriented toward the use of statistical software in analyzing experiments.

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Introduction to MATLAB with Applications for Chemical and Mechanical Engineers Mar 01 2020 Introduction to MATLAB with Applications for Chemical and Mechanical Engineers provides applications from chemical engineering and biotechnology, such as thermodynamics, heat transfer, fluid mechanics, and mass transfer. The book features a section on input, output, and storage of data as well as a section on data analysis and parameter estimation that contains statistical analysis, curve fitting optimization, and error analysis. Many applied case studies are included from the engineering disciplines. It also offers instruction on the use of the MATLAB® optimization toolbox. With a CD-ROM of MATLAB programs, this text is essential for chemical engineers, mechanical engineers, applied mathematicians, and students.

A First Course in Geometry Nov 20 2021 Suitable for college courses, this introductory text covers the language of mathematics, geometric sets of points, separation and angles, triangles, parallel lines, similarity, polygons and area, circles, and space and coordinate geometry. 1974 edition.

A First Course in Stochastic Calculus Feb 09 2021 A First Course in Stochastic Calculus is a complete guide for advanced undergraduate students to take the next step in exploring probability theory and for master's students in mathematical finance who would like to build an intuitive and theoretical understanding of stochastic processes. This book is also an essential tool for finance professionals who wish to sharpen their knowledge and intuition about stochastic calculus. Louis-Pierre Arguin offers an exceptionally clear introduction to Brownian motion and to random processes governed by the principles of stochastic calculus. The beauty and power of the subject are made accessible to readers with a basic knowledge of probability, linear algebra, and multivariable calculus. This is achieved by emphasizing numerical experiments using elementary Python coding to build intuition and adhering to a rigorous geometric point of view on the space of random variables. This unique approach is used to elucidate the properties of Gaussian processes, martingales, and diffusions. One of the book's highlights is a detailed and self-contained account of stochastic calculus applications to option pricing in finance. Louis-Pierre Arguin's masterly introduction to stochastic calculus seduces the reader with its quietly conversational style; even rigorous proofs seem natural and easy. Full of insights and intuition, reinforced with many examples, numerical projects, and exercises, this book by a prize-winning mathematician and great teacher fully lives up to the author's reputation. I give it my strongest possible recommendation. —Jim Gatheral, Baruch College I happen to be of a different persuasion, about how stochastic processes should be taught to undergraduate and MA students. But I have long been thinking to go against my own grain at some point and try to teach the subject at this level—together with its applications to finance—in one semester. Louis-Pierre Arguin's excellent and artfully designed text will give me the ideal vehicle to do so. —Ioannis Karatzas, Columbia University, New York

A First Course in Analysis Jun 15 2021 This text on advanced calculus discusses such topics as number systems, the extreme value problem, continuous functions, differentiation, integration and infinite series. The reader will find the focus of attention shifted from the learning and applying of computational techniques to careful reasoning from hypothesis to conclusion. The book is intended both for a terminal course and as preparation for more advanced studies in mathematics, science, engineering and computation.

First Course in Algorithms Through Puzzles Dec 10 2020 This textbook introduces basic algorithms and explains their analytical methods. All algorithms and methods introduced in this book are well known and frequently used in real programs. Intended to be self-contained, the contents start with the basic models, and no prerequisite knowledge is required. This book is appropriate for undergraduate students in computer science, mathematics, and engineering as a textbook, and is also appropriate for self-study by beginners who are interested in the fascinating field of algorithms. More than 40 exercises are distributed throughout the text, and their difficulty levels are indicated. Solutions and comments for all the exercises are provided in the last chapter. These detailed solutions will enable readers to follow the author's steps to solve problems and to gain a better understanding of the contents. Although details of the proofs and the analyses of algorithms are also provided, the mathematical descriptions in this book are not beyond the range of high school mathematics. Some famous real puzzles are also used to describe the algorithms. These puzzles are quite suitable for explaining the basic techniques of algorithms, which show how to solve these puzzles.

A First Course in Logic May 15 2021 A First Course in Logic is an introduction to first-order logic suitable for first and second year mathematicians and computer scientists. There are three components to this course: propositional logic; Boolean algebras; and predicate/first-order, logic. Logic is the basis of proofs in mathematics — how do we know what we say is true? — and also of computer science — how do I know this program will do what I think it will? Surprisingly little mathematics is needed to learn and understand logic (this course doesn't involve any calculus). The real mathematical prerequisite is an ability to manipulate symbols: in other words, basic algebra. Anyone who can write programs should have this ability.

A First Course in Coding Theory Aug 25 2019 Algebraic coding theory is a new and rapidly developing subject, popular for its many practical applications and for its fascinatingly rich mathematical structure. This book provides an elementary yet rigorous introduction to the theory of error-correcting codes. Based on courses given by the author over several years to advanced undergraduates and first-year graduated students, this guide includes a large number of exercises, all with solutions, making the book highly suitable for individual study.

Time Series May 03 2020 Time Series: A First Course with Bootstrap Starter provides an introductory course on time series analysis that satisfies the triptych of (i) mathematical completeness, (ii) computational illustration and implementation, and (iii) conciseness and accessibility to upper-level undergraduate and M.S. students. Basic theoretical results are presented in a mathematically convincing way, and the methods of data analysis are developed through examples and exercises parsed in R. A student with a basic course in mathematical statistics will learn both how to analyze time series and how to interpret the results. The book provides the foundation of time series methods, including linear filters and a geometric approach to prediction. The important paradigm of ARMA models is studied in-depth, as well as frequency domain methods. Entropy and other information theoretic notions are introduced, with applications to time series modeling. The second half of the book focuses on statistical inference, the fitting of time series models, as well as computational facets of forecasting. Many time series of interest are nonlinear in which case classical inference methods can fail, but bootstrap methods may come to the rescue. Distinctive features of the book are the emphasis on geometric notions and the frequency domain, the discussion of entropy maximization, and a thorough treatment of recent computer-intensive methods for time series such as subsampling and the bootstrap. There are more than 600 exercises, half of which involve R coding and/or data analysis. Supplements include a website with 12 key data sets and all R code for the book's examples, as well as the solutions to exercises.

A First Course in Engineering Drawing Sep 06 2020 The primary objective of this book is to provide an easy approach to the basic principles of Engineering Drawing, which is one of the core subjects for undergraduate students in all branches of engineering. Further, it offers comprehensive coverage of topics required for a first course in this subject, based on the author's years of experience in teaching this subject. Emphasis is placed on the precise and logical presentation of the concepts and principles that are essential to understanding the subject. The methods presented help students to grasp the fundamentals more easily. In addition, the book highlights essential problem-solving strategies and features both solved examples and multiple-choice questions to test their comprehension.

A First Course in Topology Oct 08 2020 Students must prove all of the theorems in this undergraduate-level text, which features extensive outlines to assist in study and comprehension. Thorough and well-written, the treatment provides sufficient material for a one-year undergraduate course. The logical presentation anticipates students' questions, and complete definitions and expositions of topics relate new concepts to previously discussed subjects. Most of the material focuses on point-set topology with the exception of the last chapter. Topics include sets and functions, infinite sets and transfinite numbers, topological spaces and basic concepts, product spaces, connectivity, and compactness. Additional subjects include separation axioms, complete spaces, and homotopy and the fundamental group. Numerous hints and figures illuminate the text. Dover (2014) republication of the edition originally published by The Williams & Wilkins Company, Baltimore, 1975. See every Dover book in print at www.doverpublications.com

First Course in Applied Behavior Analysis Oct 20 2021 With an emphasis on practical solutions to behavior problems, Chance offers an unparalleled approach to behavior analysis. Creating a simulated classroom, course content is presented by "Dr. Cee"--a fictitious instructor who interacts with equally fictitious students. Through Dr. Cee, Chance teaches the language of behavior theory and analysis as well as the most important procedures for changing behavior--and the principles that underlay those procedures. The dialogue between Dr. Cee and the students is realistic; the students ask questions, giving readers a chance to see if they know the answer to the questions raised. Effective and engaging, Chance's Socratic approach is very readable, yet does not sacrifice accuracy and specificity.

A First Course in Psychology Aug 06 2020 This text provides the perfect introduction to psychology. It is suitable for a wide range of courses including GCSE, A-Level, BTEC and the psychology components of social care, nursing, policing and other applied subjects. It is also a useful general text for anyone embarking on a specialised psychology degree.

A First Course in Analysis Sep 30 2022 This book is an introductory text on real analysis for undergraduate students. The prerequisite for this book is a solid background in freshman calculus in one variable. The intended audience of this book includes undergraduate mathematics majors and students from other disciplines who use real analysis. Since this book is aimed at students who do not have much prior experience with proofs, the pace is slower in earlier chapters than in later chapters. There are hundreds of exercises, and hints for some of them are included.

A First Course in Probability Sep 18 2021

A First Course in Topology Dec 30 2019 How many dimensions does our universe require for a comprehensive physical description? In 1905, Poincare argued philosophically about the necessity of the three familiar dimensions, while recent research is based on 11 dimensions or even 23 dimensions. The notion of dimension itself presented a basic problem to the pioneers of topology. Cantor asked if dimension was a topological feature of Euclidean space. To answer this question, some important topological ideas were introduced by Brouwer, giving shape to a subject whose development dominated the twentieth century. The basic notions in topology are varied and a comprehensive grounding in point-set topology, the definition and use of the fundamental group, and the beginnings of homology theory requires considerable time. The goal of this book is a focused introduction through these classical topics, aiming throughout at the classical result of the Invariance of Dimension. This text is based on the author's course given at Vassar College and is intended for advanced undergraduate students. It is suitable for a semester-long course on topology for students who have studied real analysis and linear algebra. It is also a good choice for a capstone course, senior seminar, or independent study.

A First Course in Probability Nov 08 2020 This market-leading introduction to probability features exceptionally clear explanations of the mathematics of probability theory and explores its many diverse applications through numerous interesting and motivational examples. The outstanding problem sets are a hallmark feature of this book. Provides clear, complete explanations to fully explain mathematical concepts. Features subsections on the probabilistic method and the maximum-minimums identity. Includes many new examples relating to DNA matching, utility, finance, and applications of the probabilistic method. Features an intuitive treatment of probability—intuitive explanations follow many examples. The Probability Models Disk included with each copy of the book, contains six probability models that are referenced in the book and allow readers to quickly and easily perform calculations and simulations.

A First Course in Mechanics Jun 27 2022 This textbook provides a simple introduction to mechanics for students coming to the subject for the first time. The text is based on courses given to first and second year undergraduates and has been written with this audience in mind. Prerequisites are only a basic familiarity with vectors, matrices, and elementary calculus. The author's aim is to provide an understanding of Newtonian mechanics using the tools of modern algebra. The text is illustrated throughout with many worked examples, and numerous exercises (some with solutions) are provided.

A First Course in Quantitative Finance Jan 11 2021 Using stereoscopic images and other novel pedagogical features, this book offers a comprehensive introduction to quantitative finance.

A Practical Guide to Laboratory Optics Mar 13 2021 Learn the essential skills of laboratory optics and its underlying theoretical framework with seven key experiments.

<u>A First Course in Mathematical Modeling</u> Jul 05 2020 Offering a solid introduction to the entire modeling process, A FIRST COURSE IN MATHEMATICAL MODELING, 5th Edition delivers an excellent balance of theory and practice, and gives you relevant, hands-on experience developing and sharpening your modeling skills. Throughout, the book emphasizes key facets of modeling, including creative and empirical model construction, model analysis, and model research, and provides myriad opportunities for practice. The authors apply a proven six-step problem-solving process to enhance your problem-solving capabilities -- whatever your level. In addition, rather than simply emphasizing the calculation step, the authors first help you learn how to identify problems, construct or select models, and figure out what data needs to be collected. By involving you in the mathematical process as early as possible -- beginning with short projects -- this text facilitates your progressive development and confidence in mathematics and modeling. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.