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Singularities of Robot Mechanisms Oct 30 2019 This book presents the singular configurations associated with a robot mechanism, together with robust methods for their computation, interpretation, and avoidance path planning. Having such methods is essential as singularities generally pose problems to the normal operation of a robot, but also determine the workspaces and motion impediments of its underlying mechanical structure. A distinctive feature of this volume is that the methods are applicable to nonredundant mechanisms of general architecture, defined by planar or spatial kinematic chains interconnected in an arbitrary way. Moreover, singularities are interpreted as silhouettes of the configuration space when seen from the input or output spaces. This leads to a powerful image that explains the consequences of traversing singular configurations, and all the rich information that can be extracted from them. The problems are solved by means of effective branch-and-prune and numerical continuation methods that are of independent interest in themselves. The theory can be put into practice as well: a companion web page gives open access to implementations of the algorithms and the corresponding input files. Using them, the reader can gain hands-on experience on the topic, or analyse new mechanisms beyond those examined in the text. Overall, the book contributes new tools for robot design, and constitutes a single reference source of knowledge that is otherwise dispersed in the literature.

Methods and Mechanisms for Producing Ions from Large Molecules Jun 30 2022 A NATO Advanced Research Workshop on Methods and Mechanisms for Producing Ions from Large Molecules was held at Minaki Lodge, Minaki, Ontario, Canada, from 24 to 28 June 1990. The workshop was hosted by the time-of-flight group of the Department of Physics at the University of Manitoba, and was attended by 64 invited participants from around the world. Twenty-nine invited talks were given and 19 papers were presented as posters. Of the 48 contributions, 38 are included in these proceedings. The conference was organized to study the rapidly changing field of mass spectrometry of biomolecules. Particle-induced desorption (especially with MeV particles) has been the most effective method of producing molecular ions from biomolecules. An important part of the workshop was devoted to recent developments in this field, particularly to progress in understanding the fundamentals of the desorption process. In this respect, the meeting was similar to previous conferences in Marburg, FRG (1978); Paris, F (1980); Uppsala, S (1981); College Station, USA (1983,1984); Wangerooge, FRG (1986); Orsay, F (1988); Spiekeroog, FRG (1989); and to the IFOS series of meetings at Munster, FRG (1981,1983,1985,1987) and L6vAnger, S (1989). As in the most recent of these meetings, there was some emphasis on new developments, particularly cluster bombardment. A departure from the concentration on particle bombardment processes at this conference was inspired by the dramatic results obtained with two new methods for producing molecular ions from large molecules: matrix-assisted laser desorption and electrospray.

The Biology of Taurine Oct 23 2021 I was pleased and at the same time filled with some misgivings when Professors Alberto Giotti and Ryan Huxtable asked me to introduce this book. The book is the outcome of the Symposium held in Firenze-San Miniato (PI), October 6-9, 1986. The symposium was entitled "Sulfur Amino Acids, Peptides and Related Compounds" and was the 7th international symposium on taurine and associated substances. It is always difficult to introduce, with the right brevity and emphasis, a topic which has been studied in depth by numerous experts. Nevertheless, I shall do my best to give a historical perspective of the subjects of the meeting which I consider to be very important for the frontiers of research on taurine. The following topics have also become coherent areas of study during the development of research on taurine: metabolism, nutrition, neurochemistry, cardiovascular regulation. Although taurine was isolated in 1821 by Ledman and Gmelin, its only biochemical role known at the time was the synthesis of bile salt in mammalian tissue. There has been an increasing interest in the biological action of taurine from metabolic aspects to other biological aspects (nutrition, development, etc.). In 1975 it was first demonstrated that taurine deprivation produced retinal degeneration in cats; more recent studies showed that a taurine-free diet or the administration of taurine transport inhibitors caused retinal degeneration in other mammals. More recent studies have pointed out the role of taurine in development, and the first part of this book is dedicated to these topics.

Techniques and Mechanisms in Electrochemistry Dec 25 2021 It is hard to overstate the importance of electrochemistry in the modern world: the ramifications of the subject extend into areas as diverse as batteries, fuel cells, effluent remediation and re-cycling, clean technology, electrosynthesis of organic and inorganic compounds, conversion and storage of solar energy, semiconductor processing, material corrosion, biological electron transfer processes and a wide range of highly specific analytical techniques. The impact of electrochemistry on the lives of all of us has increased immeasurably, even in recent years, but this increase has not been reflected in the level or content of courses taught at universities, many of which portray the subject as a collection of arcane recipes and poorly understood formulae of marginal importance to the mainstream of chemistry. This approach reached its nadir with the recent extraordinary furore surrounding the purported discovery of cold fusion, where two electrochemists claimed to have shown that the fusion of deuterium nuclei could be effected under ambient conditions by the electrochemically induced intercalation of deuterium atoms into palladium. Whatever the truth behind such claims, their discussion revealed a lamentable lack of knowledge of modern electrochemistry, not only among science writers for the popular press, but among many professional chemists and physicists whose acquaintance with the subject seems, for the most part, to have stopped somewhere about the time of Nernst. In a year in which Professor R.

[Doing Realist Research](#) Apr 28 2022 Bringing together leading theorists, researchers and policy makers with expertise in using realist methods, this book is a

definitive guide to putting realist methodologies into practice. Not just an overview of the field, this book looks to extend current debates and apply realist methods to new and practical challenges in social research. Featuring practical, worked examples of how to turn theory into evidence, it empowers readers not just to understand realist methods, but to use them. It will help readers: - Negotiate the complexity of relational systems - Understand the importance and relevance of cumulative theory - Address concerns over data sources and quality - Be flexible and creative in realist approaches - Produce useful evidence for policy. Sophisticated and globally minded, this book is the perfect addition to the ongoing development and application of realist methods across evaluation, synthesis, and social research.

Pain Research Sep 09 2020 The advancements of medical technology, improvements in medical care, and increased patients' life span make pain research and related drug development high priorities for both the research community and pharmaceutical companies. Rapid development of basic science research tools, such as techniques of fluorometric labeling, genomic and proteomic high throughput screening, and genetically modified animals, promotes the swift acceleration of pain research to a stage allowing integrated investigations of pain processing mechanisms at the single cell and/or molecule level, and in a spatially and temporally controlled manner. Using multidisciplinary approaches, we can dissect the complicity of the sensory circuits connecting peripheral stimulation to maladaptive changes in the sensory pathways as well as pain perceptions at the central nervous system. Pain Research: Methods and Protocols, Second Edition provides advanced techniques and animal models that are critical for integrated pain research. Written in the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology™ series format, chapters contain introductions to their respective topics, lists of the necessary materials and reagents, step-by-step, readily reproducible laboratory protocols, and notes on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Authoritative and accessible, Pain Research: Methods and Protocols, Second Edition serves as an ideal guide to novice pain researchers who may not have extensive experiences in the field, or to experienced pain researchers who would like to expand their research in new directions and/or to new mechanisms in different models.

Computational Methods in Organometallic Catalysis Mar 28 2022 Computational Methods in Organometallic Catalysis Discover recent advances in the mechanistic study of organometallic catalysis In Computational Methods in Organometallic Catalysis: From Elementary Reactions to Mechanisms, distinguished chemist and author Yu Lan delivers a synthesis of the use of calculation methods and experimental techniques to improve the efficiency of reaction and yield of product and to uncover the factors that control the selectivity of product. Providing not only a theoretical overview of organometallic catalysis, the book also describes computational studies for the mechanism of transition-metal-assisted reactions. You'll learn about Ni-, Pd-, Pt-, Co-, Rh-, Ir-, Fe-, Ru-, Mn-, Cu-, Ag-, and Au- catalysis. You'll also discover many of the experimental and theoretical advances in organometallic catalysis reported in the recent literature. The book summarizes and generalizes the advances made in the mechanistic study of organometallic catalysis. Readers will also benefit from the inclusion of: A thorough introduction to computational organometallic chemistry, including a brief history of the discipline and the use of computational tools to study the mechanism of organometallic chemistry An exploration of computational methods in organometallic chemistry, including density functional theory methods and basis sets and their application in mechanism studies A practical discussion of elementary reactions in organometallic chemistry, including coordination and dissociation, oxidative addition, reductive elimination, insertion, elimination, transmetalation, and metathesis A concise treatment of the theoretical study of transition-metal catalysis. Perfect for organic, catalytic, complex, and structural chemists, Computational Methods in Organometallic Catalysis will also earn a place in the libraries of theoretical chemists seeking a one-stop organometallic catalysis resource with a focus on the mechanism of transition-metal-assisted reactions.

Mechanisms and Dynamics of Machinery Apr 04 2020 This fourth edition has been totally revised and updated with many additions and major changes. The material has been reorganized to match better the sequence of topics typically covered in an undergraduate course on kinematics. Text includes the use of iterative methods for linkage position analysis and matrix methods for force analysis. BASIC-language computer programs have been added throughout the book to demonstrate the simplicity and power of computer methods. All BASIC programs listed in the text have also been coded in FORTRAN. Major revisions in this edition include: a new section on mobility; updated section on constant-velocity joints; advanced methods of cam-motion specification; latest AGMA standards for U.S. and metric gears; a new section on methods of force analysis; new section on tasks of kinematic synthesis; and a new chapter covering spatial mechanisms and robotics.

Neural Mechanisms of Cardiovascular Regulation May 06 2020 Neural Mechanisms of Cardiovascular Regulation responds to current questions about how neurons in the central and peripheral nervous systems regulate the cardiovascular system. It includes a series of thoughtful reviews that are intended to provoke and illuminate the reader, with the intention of revealing some of the ideas that current practitioners in the field of cardiovascular research are using to generate their current studies.

Understanding Organic Reaction Mechanisms Jan 14 2021 First/second year text in chemistry.

DNA Methylation: Principles, Methods and Mechanisms Oct 03 2022 DNA Methylation can be defined as the method by which methyl groups act on the DNA in order to repress cell processes. DNA methylation is vital for the organic processes taking place inside the human body such as ageing, carcinogenesis and gene expression. The aim of this book is to present researchers that have transformed this discipline and added its advancement. From theories and research to practical applications, case studies related to all contemporary topics of relevance to this field have been included herein. This book will prove useful for students as well as experts in the fields of evolutionary biology, bioengineering, and biochemistry. It is an essential guide for both academicians as well as for those who wish to pursue this discipline further.

Mechanisms of DNA Recombination and Genome Rearrangements: Methods to Study Homologous Recombination Mar 16 2021 Mechanisms of DNA Recombination and Genome Rearrangements: Methods to Study Homologous Recombination, Volume 600, the latest release in the Methods in Enzymology series, continues the legacy of this premier serial with quality chapters authored by leaders in the field. Homologous genetic recombination remains the most enigmatic process in DNA metabolism. The molecular machines of recombination preserve the integrity of the genetic material in all organisms and generate genetic diversity in evolution. The same molecular machines that support genetic integrity by orchestrating accurate repair of the most deleterious DNA lesions, however, also promote survival of cancerous cells and emergence of radiation and chemotherapy resistance. This two-volume set offers a comprehensive set of cutting edge methods to study various aspects of homologous recombination and cellular processes that utilize the enzymatic machinery of recombination The chapters are written by the leading researchers and cover a broad range of topics from the basic molecular mechanisms of recombinational proteins and enzymes to emerging cellular techniques and drug discovery efforts. Contributions by the leading experts in the field of DNA repair, recombination, replication and genome stability Documents cutting edge methods

Fundamentals of Corrosion May 18 2021 Billions of dollars are spent annually for the replacement of corroded structures, machinery, and components. Premature failure of bridges or structures due to corrosion can also result in human injury, loss of life, and collateral damage. Written by an authority in corrosion science, Fundamentals of Corrosion: Mechanisms, Causes, and Preventative Methods comprehensively describes the causes of corrosion—and the means to limit or prevent it. Engineers, designers, architects, and all those involved with the selection of construction materials will relish a reference that provides such a thorough yet basic illustration of the causes, prevention, and control of corrosion. This reference explores: Mechanisms and forms of corrosion Methods of attack on plastic materials Causes of failure in protective coatings, linings, and paints Development of new alloys with corrosion-resistant properties Exposure to the atmosphere is one of the largest problems and biggest causes of corrosion that engineers and designers face in construction. It has been further estimated that the cost of protection against atmospheric corrosion accounts for approximately half the total cost of all corrosion protection methods. This book places special emphasis on atmospheric exposure and presents vital information regarding the design of structures, automobiles, household plumbing, manufacturing equipment, and other entities, as well as the effects of de-icing chemicals on highways and bridges.

Detection of Cell Death Mechanisms Mar 04 2020 This volume provides detailed protocols for the performance, analysis, and troubleshooting of in vitro and in vivo experiments related to programmed cell death. Chapters compile conventional techniques such as western blot and qPCR and state-of-the-art transmission electron microscopy and real-time multiplexed imaging assays. Written in the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series format, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, application details for both the expert and non-expert reader, and tips on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Authoritative and accessible, Detection of Cell Death Mechanisms: Methods and Protocols aims to ensure seamless execution of protocols on specific cell death type.

The Configuration Space Method for Kinematic Design of Mechanisms Jun 06 2020 A novel algorithmic approach to mechanism design based on a geometric representation of kinematic function called configuration space partitions. This book presents the configuration space method for computer-aided design of mechanisms with changing part contacts. Configuration space is a complete and compact geometric representation of part motions and part

interactions that supports the core mechanism design tasks of analysis, synthesis, and tolerancing. It is the first general algorithmic treatment of the kinematics of higher pairs with changing contacts. It will help designers detect and correct design flaws and unexpected kinematic behaviors, as demonstrated in the book's four case studies taken from industry. After presenting the configuration space framework and algorithms for mechanism kinematics, the authors describe algorithms for kinematic analysis, tolerancing, and synthesis based on configuration spaces. The case studies follow, illustrating the application of the configuration space method to the analysis and design of automotive, micro-mechanical, and optical mechanisms. Appendixes offer a catalog of higher-pair mechanisms and a description of HIPAIR, an open source C++ mechanical design system that implements some of the configuration space methods described in the book, including configuration space visualization and kinematic simulation. HIPAIR comes with an interactive graphical user interface and many sample mechanism input files. The Configuration Space Method for Kinematic Design of Mechanisms will be a valuable resource for students, researchers, and engineers in mechanical engineering, computer science, and robotics.

Dye Biodegradation, Mechanisms and Techniques Jul 08 2020 An enormous amount of synthetic dyes is used annually in the textile, leather, plastics, paper, and dye industries due to their coloring properties. Although dyes give color to materials, they are prone to increase the level of pollution in the environment. The colored wastewater produced in industrial sectors is released into water bodies, posing threats to the ecosystem. To reduce the adverse effects of dyes in the environment, it is necessary to implement feasible and cost-effective strategies. "Dye Biodegradation Mechanisms and Techniques - Recent Advances" provides fundamental principles and pathways of bio-based mechanisms in dye removal. This edition firstly discusses dye classification and pollution, then concentrates on the application of fungi, mesophilic bacteria, microflora, and enzymes in dye degradation. This book also highlights the performance of sequential batch reactor systems, moving bed biofilm reactors, and hybrid bioreactors for dye biodegradation?

Mechanism Design and Management Apr 16 2021 Mechanism Design (MD) is a branch of game theory which deals with conflict situations involving a principal and a set of active agents (usually in the presence of asymmetric information). Mechanism design theory delivers a solution to many management problems in the form of a control mechanism, (i.e., a formalized routine of decision-making). Formal results of MD can change the fundamentals of managerial practice by introducing decision-making mechanisms in organizations, which are efficient and robust with respect to employees' self-serving behaviour. The proposed book seeks a more intensive application of MD methodology and its formal results in organizations. The main aim of the book is to provide readers with the basics of an MD-based view on managerial problems, so that intra-firm policies can be analysed through the looking glass of employees' behavioural response. A systematic introduction of the underlying MD methodology is combined with a collection of ready-to-use mechanisms for solving typical management problems. The use of MD by individual managers is facilitated by bringing together mathematical and business literature in a single treatise. This book is not a purely academic monograph as it contains as few formulas as possible, and no formal proofs (references to formal results are provided throughout the text). Courses on MD for managers are not common in business schools now, and our book represents the perfect material for such a course

Drug Metabolism and Transport Jun 26 2019 A compendium of proven experimental approaches and strategies for studying the bioactivation, detoxification, tissue distribution, and elimination of xenobiotics in the metabolism and/or transport of various chemicals. The authors address several of the major drug metabolizing systems, including the cytochrome P450 family, flavin-containing monooxygenases, glutathione, S-transferase, glucuronidation, N-acetylation, and sulfotransferases. Additional chapters present novel approaches to the study of: signaling pathways in the regulation of drug metabolism enzymes, how the modulation of thiols and other low molecular-weight cofactors can alter drug metabolism, and how modulation of drug metabolism pathways can influence antiviral therapy.

Bacterial Effectors as Drivers of Human Disease: Models, Methods, Mechanisms Jun 18 2021

Social Learning Aug 01 2022 Many animals, including humans, acquire valuable skills and knowledge by copying others. Scientists refer to this as social learning. It is one of the most exciting and rapidly developing areas of behavioral research and sits at the interface of many academic disciplines, including biology, experimental psychology, economics, and cognitive neuroscience. Social Learning provides a comprehensive, practical guide to the research methods of this important emerging field. William Hoppitt and Kevin Laland define the mechanisms thought to underlie social learning and demonstrate how to distinguish them experimentally in the laboratory. They present techniques for detecting and quantifying social learning in nature, including statistical modeling of the spatial distribution of behavior traits. They also describe the latest theory and empirical findings on social learning strategies, and introduce readers to mathematical methods and models used in the study of cultural evolution. This book is an indispensable tool for researchers and an essential primer for students. Provides a comprehensive, practical guide to social learning research Combines theoretical and empirical approaches Describes techniques for the laboratory and the field Covers social learning mechanisms and strategies, statistical modeling techniques for field data, mathematical modeling of cultural evolution, and more

Brain Aging Nov 04 2022 Recognition that aging is not the accumulation of disease, but rather comprises fundamental biological processes that are amenable to experimental study, is the basis for the recent growth of experimental biogerontology. As increasingly sophisticated studies provide greater understanding of what occurs in the aging brain and how these changes occur, new possibilities emerge for limiting the effects of aging on neural function. A single source reference is necessary to keep abreast of the recent advances and future directions of gerontology research. Brain Aging: Models, Methods, and Mechanisms offers a selective overview of the research in this rapidly expanding field. A valuable resource for new and established investigators of the aging brain, this volume reviews critical studies of brain aging in new animal models, as well as advances in brain imaging techniques that permit investigations in aging humans with increasingly higher resolution. Detailed discussions link the information from human and animal studies to illustrate a comprehensive picture of the mechanism of aging. Emphasizing normal brain aging rather than pathological degeneration, the text provides an understanding of fundamental age-related changes in the nervous system and hypothesis-driven research into their basis. The book includes critical analyses of the distinct methodological challenges inherent in investigating the aging nervous system. Contributions from distinguished leaders and pioneers in their respective fields address data and mechanisms, as well as models and methods that are key to the study of aging. Each chapter is extensively referenced and highlights experimental concerns that are magnified or unique to the aging brain. Outlining relevant methods and techniques, this book provides scientists, researchers, and clinicians with a broad understanding of the important progress and implications for the future of this significant field.

Safety of Genetically Engineered Foods Dec 13 2020 Assists policymakers in evaluating the appropriate scientific methods for detecting unintended changes in food and assessing the potential for adverse health effects from genetically modified products. In this book, the committee recommended that greater scrutiny should be given to foods containing new compounds or unusual amounts of naturally occurring substances, regardless of the method used to create them. The book offers a framework to guide federal agencies in selecting the route of safety assessment. It identifies and recommends several pre- and post-market approaches to guide the assessment of unintended compositional changes that could result from genetically modified foods and research avenues to fill the knowledge gaps.

Salinity Tolerance In Plants: Methods, Mechanisms And Management Jul 20 2021 Salinity tolerance in plants is a complex problem encompassing numerous morphological, physiological and biochemical processes and adaptations at the cellular, sub-cellular and whole plant levels. The book comprising eleven chapters deals with diverse aspects of salt tolerance including plant response to salinity and sodicity, crop tolerance at different growth stages and criteria for evaluating the same. The mechanism of salt injury viz. osmotic, ionic and nutrient imbalance has been dealt with, adopting an integrated approach. Likewise, the recent information on photosynthesis, respiration, carbohydrate, nitrogen and protein metabolism, enzyme dynamics and plant hormones, as well as nodulation and symbiotic nitrogen fixation in legumes has been elaborated comprehensively. Special attention has been given to the interaction between essential nutrients and salinity as it is vital for alleviation of adverse effects of salt stress. The synthesis of knowledge on different mechanisms of salt resistance, including osmoregulation with organic and inorganic solutes has also been presented. Various methods of introducing salt tolerance in plants such as breeding, genetic variations, physiological approaches, tissue culture, somaclonal variation, somatic hybridation and recombinant DNA technology have been discussed. The nature and properties of salt affected soils and groundwaters and principles for amelioration and management of these critical problems have been included in this book. Furthermore, Afforestation and Agroforestry techniques for salt affected soils with emphasis on salt tolerant tree species and suitable tree crop combinations also find their much needed due space in the present book.

Percutaneous Absorption Oct 11 2020 Updating and expanding the scope of topics covered in the previous edition, Percutaneous Absorption supplies new studies on the role of the skin as a key portal of entry for chemicals into the body this book serves as a detailed reference source for recent advances in the field, as well as an experimental guide for laboratory personnel.

Classical and Modern Approaches in the Theory of Mechanisms Jan 02 2020 Classical and Modern Approaches in the Theory of Mechanisms is a study of

mechanisms in the broadest sense, covering the theoretical background of mechanisms, their structures and components, the planar and spatial analysis of mechanisms, motion transmission, and technical approaches to kinematics, mechanical systems, and machine dynamics. In addition to classical approaches, the book presents two new methods: the analytic-assisted method using Turbo Pascal calculation programs, and the graphic-assisted method, outlining the steps required for the development of graphic constructions using AutoCAD; the applications of these methods are illustrated with examples. Aimed at students of mechanical engineering, and engineers designing and developing mechanisms in their own fields, this book provides a useful overview of classical theories, and modern approaches to the practical and creative application of mechanisms, in seeking solutions to increasingly complex problems.

Organic Mechanisms Sep 21 2021 Instills a deeper understanding of how and why organic reactions happen Integrating reaction mechanisms, synthetic methodology, and biological applications, Organic Mechanisms gives organic chemists the tools needed to perform seamless organic reactions. By explaining the underlying mechanisms of organic reactions, author Xiaoping Sun makes it possible for readers to gain a deeper understanding of not only chemical phenomena, but also the ability to develop new synthetic methods. Moreover, by emphasizing biological applications, this book enables readers to master both advanced organic chemistry theory and practice. Organic Mechanisms consists of ten chapters, beginning with a review of fundamental physicochemical principles that are essential for understanding the nature of organic mechanisms. Each one of the remaining chapters is devoted to a major class of organic reactions, including: Aliphatic C H bond functionalization Functionalization of the alkene C=C bond by cycloaddition reactions Nucleophilic substitutions on sp³-hybridized carbons Nucleophilic additions and substitutions on carbonyl groups Reactivity of the α -hydrogen to carbonyl groups Rearrangements A brief review of basic organic chemistry begins each chapter, helping readers move from fundamental concepts to an advanced understanding of reaction mechanisms. Key mechanisms are illustrated by expertly drawn figures highlighting microscopic details. End-of-chapter problems enable readers to put their newfound knowledge into practice by solving key problems in organic reactions with the use of mechanistic studies, and a Solutions Manual is available online for course instructors. Thoroughly referenced and current with recent findings in organic reaction mechanisms, Organic Mechanisms is recommended for upper-level undergraduates and graduate students in advanced organic chemistry, as well as for practicing chemists who want to further explore the mechanistic aspects of organic reactions.

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Biological Control of Verticillium Wilt Disease Feb 24 2022

Mechanisms and Mechanical Movements: A Treatise on Different Types of Mechanisms and Various Methods of Transmitting, Controlling and Modifying Motion Aug 28 2019

Mechanism Analysis Jan 26 2022 This updated and enlarged Second Edition provides in-depth, progressive studies of kinematic mechanisms and offers novel, simplified methods of solving typical problems that arise in mechanisms synthesis and analysis - concentrating on the use of algebra and trigonometry and minimizing the need for calculus. It continues to furnish complete coverage of: key concepts, including kinematic terminology, uniformly accelerated motion, and the properties of vectors; graphical techniques for both velocity and acceleration analysis; analytical techniques; and ready-to-use computer and calculator programmes for analyzing basic classes of mechanisms. This edition supplies detailed explications of such new topics as: gears, gear trains, and cams; velocity and acceleration analyses of rolling elements; acceleration analysis of sliding contact mechanisms by the effective component method; four-bar analysis by the parallelogram method; and centre of curvature determination methods.

Theory of Parallel Mechanisms Feb 01 2020 This book contains mechanism analysis and synthesis. In mechanism analysis, a mobility methodology is first systematically presented. This methodology, based on the author's screw theory, proposed in 1997, of which the generality and validity was only proved recently, is a very complex issue, researched by various scientists over the last 150 years. The principle of kinematic influence coefficient and its latest developments are described. This principle is suitable for kinematic analysis of various 6-DOF and lower-mobility parallel manipulators. The singularities are classified by a new point of view, and progress in position-singularity and orientation-singularity is stated. In addition, the concept of over-determinate input is proposed and a new method of force analysis based on screw theory is presented. In mechanism synthesis, the synthesis for spatial parallel mechanisms is discussed, and the synthesis method of difficult 4-DOF and 5-DOF symmetric mechanisms, which was first put forward by the author in 2002, is introduced in detail. Besides, the three-order screw system and its space distribution of the kinematic screws for infinite possible motions of lower mobility mechanisms are both analyzed.

Percutaneous Absorption Aug 09 2020 Since publication of the Second Edition in 1989, numerous innovations have occurred that affect the way scientists look at issues in the field of percutaneous absorption. Focusing on recent advances as well as updating and expanding the scope of topics covered in the previous edition, Percutaneous Absorption, Third Edition provides thorough coverage of the skin's role as an important portal of entry for chemicals into the body. Assembles the work of nearly 80 experts-30 more than the Second Edition-into a unified, comprehensive volume that contains the latest ideas and research! Complete with nearly 600 drawings, photographs, equations, and tables and more than 1600 bibliographic citations of pertinent literature, Percutaneous Absorption, Third Edition details the applied biology of percutaneous penetration factors that affect skin permeation, such as age, vehicles, metabolism, hydration of skin, and chemical structure in vivo and in vitro techniques for measuring absorption, examining factors influencing methodology such as animal models, volatility of test compound, multiple dosage, and artificial membranes procedures for use in transdermal delivery, exploring topics such as effects of penetration enhancers on absorption, optimizing absorption, and the topical delivery of drugs to muscle tissue And presents new chapters on mathematical models cutaneous metabolism prediction of percutaneous absorption in vitro absorption methodology dermal decontamination concentration of chemicals in skin transdermal drug delivery mechanisms of absorption safety evaluation of cosmetics absorption of drugs and cosmetic ingredients nail penetration Emphasizes human applications-particularly useful for pharmacists, pharmacologists, dermatologists, cosmetic scientists, biochemists, toxicologists, public health officials, manufacturers of cosmetic and toiletry products, and graduate students in these disciplines! An invaluable reference source for readers who need to keep up with the latest developments in the field, Percutaneous Absorption, Third Edition is also an excellent experimental guide for laboratory personnel.

Polymer Photodegradation Nov 23 2021 During the last two decades, the production of polymers and plastics has been increasing rapidly. In spite of developing new polymers and polymeric materials, only 40-60 are used commercially on a large scale. It has been estimated that half of the annual production of polymers is employed outdoors. The photochemical instability of most polymers limits their outdoor application as they are photodegraded quickly over periods from months to a few years. To the despair of technologists and consumers alike, photodegradation and environmental ageing of polymers occur much faster than can be expected from knowledge collected in laboratories. In order to improve polymer photostability there has been a very big effort during the last 30 years to understand the mechanisms involved in photodegradation and environmental ageing. This book represents the author's attempt, based on his 25 years' experience in research on photodegradation and photo stabilization, to collect and generalize a number of available data on the photodegradation of polymers. The space limitation and the tremendous number of publications in the past two decades have made a detailed presentation of all important results and data difficult. The author apologizes to those whose work has not been quoted or widely presented in this book. Because many published results are very often contradictory, it has been difficult to present a fully critical review of collected knowledge, without antagonizing authors. For that reason, all available theories, mechanisms and different suggestions have been presented together, and only practice can evaluate which of them are valid.

Sea Salt Aerosol Production Feb 12 2021 Published by the American Geophysical Union as part of the Geophysical Monograph Series, Volume 152. Sea salt

aerosol (SSA) exerts a major influence over a broad reach of geophysics. It is important to the physics and chemistry of the marine atmosphere and to marine geochemistry and biogeochemistry generally. It affects visibility, remote sensing, atmospheric chemistry, and air quality. Sea salt aerosol particles interact with other atmospheric gaseous and aerosol constituents by acting as sinks for condensable gases and suppressing new particle formation, thus influencing the size distribution of these other aerosols and more broadly influencing the geochemical cycles of substances with which they interact. As the key aerosol constituent over much of Earth's surface at present, and all the more so in pre-industrial times, SSA is central to description of Earth's aerosol burden.

Evaluating Evidence of Mechanisms in Medicine May 30 2022 This book is open access under a CC BY license. This book is the first to develop explicit methods for evaluating evidence of mechanisms in the field of medicine. It explains why it can be important to make this evidence explicit, and describes how to take such evidence into account in the evidence appraisal process. In addition, it develops procedures for seeking evidence of mechanisms, for evaluating evidence of mechanisms, and for combining this evaluation with evidence of association in order to yield an overall assessment of effectiveness. Evidence-based medicine seeks to achieve improved health outcomes by making evidence explicit and by developing explicit methods for evaluating it. To date, evidence-based medicine has largely focused on evidence of association produced by clinical studies. As such, it has tended to overlook evidence of pathophysiological mechanisms and evidence of the mechanisms of action of interventions. The book offers a useful guide for all those whose work involves evaluating evidence in the health sciences, including those who need to determine the effectiveness of health interventions and those who need to ascertain the effects of environmental exposures.

Historical Mechanisms Jul 28 2019 Historical Mechanisms argues that scientific method can provide key new insights about events that took place long ago. Taking a fresh approach to historical method and theory, this book contends that there is enough data to show that under certain circumstances societies have behaved, and will continue to behave, in similar ways throughout history. In this book, Andreas D. Boldt discusses the possibility of utilizing natural scientific theories in order to explain historical processes, focusing on the question of how nations and empires rise, succeed, fail and then assume another form in which they begin the cycle again. Scientific methods are utilized metaphorically as a means of establishing connections between events and trends throughout history, and this book argues that these methods can explain historical patterns such as chaos and stability, the relationship between power centres and power vacuums, the necessary conditions for the expansion of empires and the influence of natural and man-made borders. Exploring the ways in which concepts from science can be employed to shed new light on the analysis of historical data, Historical Mechanisms is valuable reading for all scholars of the theory and method of history.

Evidence on Mechanisms and Tools for Use of Health Information for Decision-making Nov 11 2020 The World Health Assembly in 2005 urged Member States to establish or strengthen knowledge transfer mechanisms to support evidence-informed health policies and health care delivery. The European Health Information Initiative was set up to strengthen the use of evidence information and research for policy-making in the WHO European Region. While good-quality health information is a key component for decision-making it needs to be packaged and communicated in an effective way to policy-makers the end-users. This report describes tools and mechanisms that can help to increase the use of health information in policy development. Packaging tools include synthesis methods such as policy briefs and visualization methods. Application tools include surveillance data and modelling/simulation to explore the behaviour and performance of processes and interventions. Dissemination and communication tools include health information-sharing platforms newsletters and person-to-person communications. Finally linkage and exchange tools such as knowledge networks facilitate the dissemination and refining of health information thus increasing the chance of its translation into policy.

Matrix Methods in the Design Analysis of Mechanisms and Multibody Systems Dec 01 2019 This is an integrated approach to kinematic and dynamic analysis. The matrix techniques presented are general and applicable to two- or three-dimensional systems. The techniques lend themselves to programming and digital computation and can be a usable tool for designers, and are applicable to the design analysis of all multibody mechanical systems.

New Trends in Mechanism and Machine Science Sep 29 2019 This work presents the most recent research in the mechanism and machine science field and its applications. The topics covered include: theoretical kinematics, computational kinematics, mechanism design, experimental mechanics, mechanics of robots, dynamics of machinery, dynamics of multi-body systems, control issues of mechanical systems, mechanisms for biomechanics, novel designs, mechanical transmissions, linkages and manipulators, micro-mechanisms, teaching methods, history of mechanism science and industrial and non-industrial applications. This volume consists of the Proceedings of the 5th European Conference on Mechanisms Science (EUCOMES) that was held in Guimarães, Portugal, from September 16 – 20, 2014. The EUCOMES is the main forum for the European community working in Mechanisms and Machine Science.

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