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 (26)

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This volume supplements the earlier volume of tables of $J_0(z)$ and $J_1(z)$ for complex arguments [see Q. of Appl. Math. 2, 276 (1944) and 6, 95 (1948)]. The main tables give $Y_0(\rho e^{i\varphi})$ and $Y_1(\rho e^{i\varphi})$ to ten decimal places for $\rho = 0.0110$ and $\varphi = 0.00110$ and $\varphi = 0.00110$. Auxiliary tables give $Y_0(\rho e^{i\varphi}) - (2/\pi)J_0(\rho e^{i\varphi}) \log \rho$ and $Y_1(\rho e^{i\varphi}) - (2/\pi)J_1(\rho e^{i\varphi}) \log \rho + (2/\pi\rho)e^{-i\varphi}$, the complex zeros of Bessel functions, and five-point Lagrangian interpolation coefficients.

W. PRAGER

The inelastic behavior of engineering materials and structures. By Alfred M. Freudenthal. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York and Chapman & Hall, Limited, London, 1950. xvi +587 pp. \$7.50.

The amazing scope of the book and its detailed coverage of so many facets of inelastic action bear eloquent testimony to the author's wide-spread reading and his own research. Quantum statistics, conventional metallurgy, mathematical theories of plasticity, visco-elasticity, stress analysis solutions, and design criteria for metals and concrete are all presented from a unified and extremely interesting point of view. The reader is made to feel equally familiar with electron clouds, simple and complex mechanical models of the behavior of real materials, Brownian motion, limit design, and testing machines.

The only objection to be noted is that little indication is given at the highly controversial nature of the field. Opinions are often stated as facts. For example, this reviewer believes that much of the material on thermodynamics and the mechanical equation of state is based on demonstrably over-simple and probably incorrect assumptions about the dissipated work. However, read with an open and skeptical mind the book is invaluable.

D. C. DRUCKER

Electromagnetic fields. Theory and application. Volume I: Mapping of Fields. By Ernst Weber. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York and Chapman & Hall Limited, London, 1950. xiv + 590 pp. \$10.00.

The author has divided electromagnetic theory into static electric and magnetic fields on one hand

and dynamic electromagnetic fields on the other hand. This book (Volume I) deals with static electric and magnetic fields or in other words with the methods of potential theory. The list of contents: (1) The Electrostatic Field, (2) The Magnetostatic Field, (3) General Field Analogies, (4) Fields of Simple Geometries, (5) Experimental Mapping Methods, (6) Field Plotting Methods, (7) Two-Dimensional Analytic Solutions, (8) Three-Dimensional Analytic Solutions and Appendices.

The book is very carefully written throughout and the reviewer feels that particular attention should be called to Chapter 7 which contains an excellent discussion of conformal transformations and mapping. Chapter 6 on field plotting methods contains a rather thorough discussion of the method of images both electric and magnetic. Under numerical methods of field plotting the author includes a discussion of relaxation methods.

Altogether the reviewer feels that this book should be of real interest to a rather large group of physicists, engineers, and applied mathematicians.

ROHN TRUELL

The evolution of scientific thought. From Newton to Einstein. By A. d'Abro. Second edition, revised and enlarged. Dover Publications, Inc., 1950. xx + 481 pp. \$3.95.

This "semi-popular book", using "non-technical language" (?) hopes to "serve as a general introduction" to the theory of relativity, "to whet the appetite for further knowledge" (the quotes are from Author's Preface). Its four parts deal with pre-relativity physics, the special theory of relativity, the general theory of relativity, and the methodology of science. We already have half-a-dozen short and masterly treatments of the same field by Einstein, Weyl and Eddington, and this one suffers badly in comparison. This very long book has seemed consistently boring to this reader. As an introduction to serious work it is far from helpful, as it contains no index, no bibliography, and quotations are made throughout without page reference. There are fifteen portraits of mathematicians (without indication of origin) but the pleasure the reader should have in looking at them is completely spoiled by fourteen of them being crowded together at the center of the book. It is to be hoped that this publisher's experiment, which no doubt made life easier for the make-up man, will not be repeated.

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