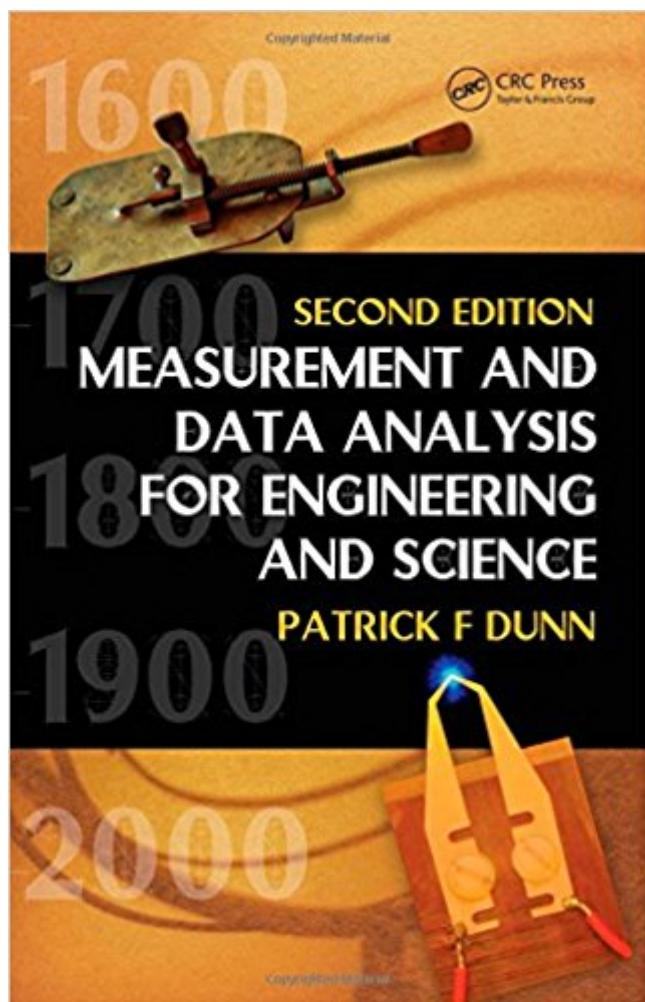


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The intellectual and emotional value of this text cannot be adequately expressed through this limited medium but I will endeavor nonetheless. Dunn, in his genius, has crafted what may be the most complete, organized, and articulate text on contemporary sensors and measurements.

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As another person mentioned, the book "appears" to be good and full of useful information. Then when you try to do the homework or reference anything from the book you're hosed. There are several examples where I would flip through every page in a chapter and find no references to the things the homework was questioning. I spent more time searching the Internet or watching my professors online help sessions where he "filled in the blanks" where the book was lacking because so many people in class were in the same boat. The book will introduce topics and barely scratch the surface and somehow the reader is supposed to make all sorts of inferences and do a lot of legwork on the side. So if you have a professor who is really good at delving deep into topics and offers their lectures online this book will probably work to supplement their teaching. More likely your professor rambles through lectures, confuses the class more, and then this book will only serve to keep paperback books on your bookshelf from falling over.

From a student perspective, this book is harder to read than a foreign language. It is full of equations that have no practical examples and you're stuck with the homework problems that you can't figure out. The examples given in the book do not correlate with the homework problems and I spend most of my time on the internet or sitting in my teacher's room trying to figure out what the book wants. It appears to be a book that assumes you remember everything that you ever learned in all of your classes. The book is too small and it seems that more information could have been included to help students better remember how to find certain values for a set of equations relating to a signal. If you can talk your teacher into excluding this book from the class and just teaching the concepts you'll be better off.

I was very pleased with this order, it came very quickly and was in perfect condition, it also came with the online access code.

I agree with the other comments about missing information and holes in the explanations. The example problems leave huge questions in how they got from referenced equations to their calculations. Sometimes the equations they have written don't even equate to the results they've calculated.

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