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For the introductory physical anthropology course. It may also be appropriate for the upper level biological anthropology course. This innovative new text narrates the history of the evolutionary progression of the human lineage through time. Evolution by natural selection provides the conceptual framework as students learn the essentials of molecular anthropology and genetics, then are led through geological time to the origins of vertebrates, mammals, primates, hominoids, and finally hominids. In each section, behavior, morphology, adaptation, and ecology are discussed to provide the comparative basis for human origins.

From a young, award-winning scientist, a look at one of the most compelling and historic turning points of our time—the race to harness the power of the stars and produce controlled fusion, creating a practically unlimited supply of clean energy. The most important energy-making process in the universe takes place inside stars. The ability to duplicate that process in a lab, once thought out of reach, may now be closer than we think. Today, all across the world teams of scientists are being assembled by the world's boldest entrepreneurs, big business, and governments to solve what is the most difficult technological challenge humanity has ever faced: building the equivalent of a star on earth. If their plans to capture star power are successful, they will unlock thousands, potentially millions, of years of clean, carbon-free energy. Not only would controlled nuclear fusion go a long way toward solving the climate crisis, it could help make other highly desired technological ambitions possible—like journeying to the stars. Given the rising alarm over deterioration of the environment, and the strides being made in laser and magnetic field technology, powerful momentum is gathering behind fusion and the possibilities it offers. Arthur Turrell is an award-winning young plasma physicist with a unique talent for making complex science accessible. In *The Star Builders*, he describes fascinating star machines with ten times as many parts as the NASA Space Shuttle, and structures that extend over 400 acres. And he spotlights the individuals, firms, and institutions racing for the finish line: science-minded entrepreneurs like Jeff Bezos and Peter Thiel, companies like Goldman Sachs and Google, universities like Oxford and MIT, and virtually every rich nation. It's an exciting and game-changing international quest that, when completed, will make all of us winners.

This book reinvestigates and analyses, in various aspects and details, the scientific basis of an up-to-date 'nuclear culture' and presents the basic and outstanding problems of this field, with its important technical and social applications and consequences. The contributions are presented by leading experts in this area and the fundamental approaches related to nuclear fission and fusion have been considered and covered. In the light of public opinion regarding nuclear energy as a whole, after the Chernobyl accident, the various items, including safety and ecological problems, are treated beyond the political and social misunderstandings due to ideological and fashionable interferences. The resulting collection of papers therefore satisfy the double need of maintaining a high scientific standard and of presenting the data and the facts in such a way that they can be understood, in their essential aspects, by a more general audience.

This comprehensive volume surveys the general aspects of atomic cluster science and outlines some of its important new challenges. It begins by detailing the recent advances in the understanding of structure and the essential properties of selected atomic cluster systems, fullerenes and confined atoms. Recent advances in the field of photo processes involving atomic clusters and fullerenes are discussed, and an entire chapter is devoted to the problem of fission dynamics of atomic clusters, presenting parallels with similar processes in nuclear physics. The book goes on to describe the problems of electron-cluster collisions with special emphasis on polarization and collective excitation effects. The important area of the behavior of atomic clusters in laser fields is considered; the ionization, collective dynamics of electrons in the system in the presence of the laser field, and the laser induced dynamics of molecules and clusters are thoroughly described. Finally, a broad spectrum of problems in the area of ionic collisions with fullerenes and metal clusters is covered — from both experimental and theoretical points of view — and the results of the most recent measurements are reported. The concluding chapter takes a careful look at the interaction of an atomic cluster with a surface. The problems of cluster deposition and formation at a surface as well as collision processes involving clusters deposited at a surface are considered through a number of illustrative examples. Contents: Structure and Properties of Atomic Clusters Photoabsorption and Photoionization of Clusters Fission and Fusion Dynamics of Clusters Electron Scattering on Clusters Clusters in Laser Fields Ion-Cluster Collisions Clusters on a Surface Readership: Graduate and postgraduate students, and researchers in physics and chemistry. Key Features: The first book covering a broad range of physical and chemical problems of atomic cluster physics in the context of physics of atomic and molecular collisions Contains contributions from leading experts in the field Considers both free and supported cluster systems Provides both a general introduction to the field and describes its very recent developments — ideal for graduate and post-graduate students new to the area as well as specialists in atomic cluster physics Useful for comprehensive lecture courses in quantum mechanics, condensed matter physics and other courses in which complex finite systems like atomic clusters are relevant Keywords: Atomic Clusters; Fullerenes; Collisions; Many-Body Phenomena; Collective Excitations; Fission Process; Photoprocesses

A beautifully illustrated exploration of the ways birds cohabit Featuring dramatic and delightful wild bird colonies and communities, *How Birds Live Together* offers a broad overview of social living in the avian world. From long-established seabird colonies that use the same cliffs for generations to the fast-shifting dynamics of flock formation, leading wildlife writer Marianne Taylor explores the different ways birds choose to dwell together. Through fascinating text, color photos, maps, and other graphics, Taylor examines the advantages of avian sociality and social breeding. Chapters provide detailed information on diverse types of bird colonies, including those species that construct single-family nests close together in trees; those that share large, communal nests housing multiple families; those that nest in tunnels dug into the earth; those that form exposed colonies on open ground and defend them collectively, relying on ferocious aggression; those that live communally on human-made structures in towns and cities; and more. Taylor discusses the challenges, benefits, hazards, and social dynamics of each style of living, and features a wealth of species as examples. Showcasing colonies from the edge of Scotland and the tropical delta of the Everglades to the Namib Desert in Africa, *How Birds Live Together* gives bird enthusiasts a vivid understanding of avian social communities.

In this proceedings volume, the following topics are discussed: systems and design; blanket and first wall technology of fission and fusion reactors; fission and fusion materials; radiation damage analysis; calculation codes; databases.

No. 2, pt. 2 of November issue each year from v. 19-47; 1963-70 and v. 55- 1972- contain the Abstracts of papers presented at the annual meeting of the American Society for Cell Biology, 3d-10th; 1963-70 and 12th- 1972- .

A listing of forthcoming meetings, conventions, etc.

This second edition brings together up-to-date contributions from leaders in the field internationally on the various ways in which mitochondrial dysfunction contributes to the pathogenesis of neurodegenerative diseases, including Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease and multiple sclerosis. The reader is guided through the basic functions of mitochondria and the mechanisms that lead to their dysfunction, and on to the consequences of this dysfunction for neuronal function before finishing with the modelling of these disorders and discussion of new potential therapeutic targets. Additional chapters have been added to the book to reflect advances in the field and there are many new contributors and topics, including how mitochondria are degraded and the interaction of the mitochondria with

pathologically relevant proteins. Mitochondrial Dysfunction in Neurodegenerative Disorders provides an accessible, authoritative guide to this important area for neurologists; research and clinical neuroscientists; neuropathologists; and residents with an interest in clinical research.

Nuclear energy is important both as a very large energy resource and as a source of carbon free energy. However incidents such as the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear disaster (2011), the Chernobyl disaster (1986), and the Three Mile Island accident (1979) have cast doubts on the future of nuclear fission as a major player in the future energy mix. This volume provides an excellent overview of the current situation regarding nuclear fission as well as a description of the enormous potential advantages offered by nuclear fusion including an essentially unlimited fuel supply with minimal environmental impact. Energy from the Nucleus focuses on the two main approaches to producing energy from the nucleus: fission and fusion. The chapters on nuclear fission cover the status of current and future generations of reactors as well as new safety requirements and the environmental impact of electricity production from nuclear fission. The chapters on nuclear fusion discuss both inertial confinement fusion and magnetic confinement fusion, including the new international fusion test facility, ITER. The expertise of the authors, who are active participants in the respective technologies, ensures that the information provided is both reliable and current. Their views will no doubt enlighten our understanding of the future of energy from the nucleus.

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Principles of Fusion Energy An Introduction to Fusion Energy for Students of Science and Engineering World Scientific

This textbook accommodates the two divergent developmental paths which have become solidly established in the field of fusion energy: the process of sequential tokamak development toward a prototype and the need for a more fundamental and integrative research approach before costly design choices are made. Emphasis is placed on the development of physically coherent and mathematically clear characterizations of the scientific and technological foundations of fusion energy which are specifically suitable for a first course on the subject. Of interest, therefore, are selected aspects of nuclear physics, electromagnetics, plasma physics, reaction dynamics, materials science, and engineering systems, all brought together to form an integrated perspective on nuclear fusion and its practical utilization. The book identifies several distinct themes. The first is concerned with preliminary and introductory topics which relate to the basic and relevant physical processes associated with nuclear fusion. Then, the authors undertake an analysis of magnetically confined, inertially confined, and low-temperature fusion energy concepts. Subsequently, they introduce the important blanket domains surrounding the fusion core and discuss synergetic fusion-fission systems. Finally, they consider selected conceptual and technological subjects germane to the continuing development of fusion energy systems.

Electrical Engineer's Reference Book, Fourteenth Edition focuses on electrical engineering. The book first discusses units, mathematics, and physical quantities, including the international unit system, physical properties, and electricity. The text also looks at network and control systems analysis. The book examines materials used in electrical engineering. Topics include conducting materials, superconductors, silicon, insulating materials, electrical steels, and soft irons and relay steels. The text underscores electrical metrology and instrumentation, steam-generating plants, turbines and diesel plants, and nuclear reactor plants. The book also discusses alternative energy sources. Concerns include wind, geothermal, wave, ocean thermal, solar, and tidal energy. The text then looks at alternating-current generators. Stator windings, insulation, output equation, armature reaction, and reactants and time-constraints are described. The book also examines overhead lines, cables, power transformers, switchgears and protection, supply and control of reactive power, and power systems operation and control. The text is a vital source of reference for readers interested in electrical engineering.

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