

# Discrete Mathematical Models With Applications To Social Biological And Environmental Problems

Accessible text features over 100 reality-based examples pulled from the science, engineering, and operations research fields. Prerequisites: ordinary differential equations, continuous probability. Numerous references. Includes 27 black-and-white figures. 1978 edition.

The practice of modeling is best learned by those armed with fundamental methodologies and exposed to a wide variety of modeling experience. Ideally, this experience could be obtained by working on actual modeling problems. But time constraints often make this difficult. Applied Mathematical Modeling provides a collection of models illustrating the power and richness of the mathematical sciences in supplying insight into the operation of important real-world systems. It fills a gap within modeling texts, focusing on applications across a broad range of disciplines. The first part of the book discusses the general components of the modeling process and highlights the potential of modeling in practice. These chapters discuss the general components of the modeling process, and the evolutionary nature of successful model building. The second part provides a rich compendium of case studies, each one complete with examples, exercises, and projects. In keeping with the multidimensional nature of the models presented, the chapters in the second part are listed in alphabetical order by the contributor's last name. Unlike most mathematical books, in which you must master the concepts of early chapters to prepare for subsequent material, you may start with any chapter. Begin with cryptology, if that catches your fancy, or go directly to bursty

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traffic if that is your cup of tea. Applied Mathematical Modeling serves as a handbook of in-depth case studies that span the mathematical sciences, building upon a modest mathematical background. Readers in other applied disciplines will benefit from seeing how selected mathematical modeling philosophies and techniques can be brought to bear on problems in their disciplines. The models address actual situations studied in chemistry, physics, demography, economics, civil engineering, environmental engineering, industrial engineering, telecommunications, and other areas. Mathematical models; Graphs; Applications of graphs; Weighted digraphs and pulse processes; Markov chains; n-Person games; Group decisionmaking; Measurement and utility; Index.

Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tagging is now mandated by the department of defense and many of the world's largest retailers including Wal-Mart. In order to stay competitive, more than 200,000 manufacturers and suppliers must develop strategies for integrating RFID technologies into their supply chains. RFID in Logistics: A Practical Introduction provides businesses and other relevant concerns with an authoritative step-by-step guide to the implementation and diverse applications of this revolutionary communications technology. Survey RFID applications in entertainment, credit devices, wireless communications, healthcare, and libraries Learn about both active and passive system components testing models Examine best practices for integrating RFID technology into the supply chain Combining techniques from computer, electrical, and industrial engineering, RFID in Logistics: A Practical Introduction supplies the basic instruction needed to develop and implement RFID technology.

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This volume presents some of the most important mathematical tools for studying economic models. It contains basic topics concerning linear differential equations and linear discrete-time systems; a sketch of the general theory of nonlinear systems and the stability of equilibria; an introduction to numerical methods for differential equations, and some applications to the solution of nonlinear equations and static optimization. The second part of the book discusses stabilization problems, including optimal stabilization, linear-quadratic optimization and other problems of dynamic optimization, including a proof of the Maximum Principle for general optimal control problems. All these mathematical subjects are illustrated with detailed discussions of economic models. Audience: This text is recommended as auxiliary material for undergraduate and graduate level MBA students, while at the same time it can also be used as a reference by specialists.

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Introduction to Discrete Mathematical Modeling with Microsoft Office Excel. With a focus on mathematical models based on real and current data, *Models for Life: An Introduction to Discrete Mathematical Modeling with Microsoft® Office Excel®* guides readers in the solution of relevant, practical problems by introducing both mathematical and Excel techniques. The book begins with a step-by-step introduction to discrete dynamical systems, which are mathematical models that describe how a quantity changes from one point in time to the next. Readers are taken through the process, language, and notation required for the construction of such models as well as their implementation in Excel. The book examines single-compartment models in contexts such as population growth, personal finance, and body weight and provides an introduction to more advanced, multi-compartment models via applications in many areas, including military combat, infectious disease epidemics, and ranking methods. *Models for Life: An Introduction to Discrete Mathematical Modeling with Microsoft® Office Excel®* also features: A modular organization that, after the first chapter, allows readers to explore chapters in any order Numerous practical examples and exercises that enable readers to personalize the presented models by using their own data Carefully selected real-world applications that motivate the mathematical material such as predicting blood alcohol concentration, ranking sports teams, and tracking credit card debt References throughout the book to disciplinary research on which the presented models and model parameters are based in order to provide authenticity and resources for further study Relevant Excel concepts with step-by-step guidance, including screenshots to help readers better understand the presented material Both mathematical and graphical techniques for understanding concepts such as equilibrium values, fixed points, disease endemicity,

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maximum sustainable yield, and a drug's therapeutic window

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This book discusses examples of discrete mathematics in school curricula, including in the areas of graph theory, recursion and discrete dynamical systems, combinatorics, logic, game theory, and the mathematics of fairness. In addition, it describes current discrete mathematics curriculum initiatives in several countries, and presents ongoing research, especially in the areas of combinatorial reasoning and the affective dimension of learning discrete mathematics.

Discrete mathematics is the math of our time.' So declared the immediate past president of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, John Dossey, in 1991. Nearly 30 years later that statement is still true, although the news has not yet fully reached school mathematics curricula.

Nevertheless, much valuable work has been done, and continues to be done. This volume reports on some of that work. It provides a glimpse of the state of the art in learning and teaching discrete mathematics around the world, and it makes the case once again that discrete mathematics is indeed mathematics for our time, even more so today in our digital age, and it should be included in the core curricula of all countries for all students.

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Mathematical Models in the Social Sciences investigates and teaches the formation and analysis of mathematical models with detailed interpretations

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of the results.

Research in discrete systems is expanding rapidly, and specialized languages are proliferating. This book is a remarkable attempt to bring together researchers from a diverse range of application areas. This is the proceeding of a workshop on Discrete Event Systems Models. The 30 participants included researchers working in communication networks, manufacturing, digital signal processing, Markov decision theory, and automatic control. The purpose of the workshop was to establish the common features of the mathematical models, techniques and goals pursued in these diverse areas. The papers demonstrate that there is a large common core underlying these efforts, that researchers in one area can benefit from advances in other areas of discrete systems, and that it is not difficult to translate results expressed in one discrete event formation into another. The papers cover formal description methods, logical verification, simulation, performance evaluation, and optimization. Techniques covered include finite state machines, Petri nets, communicating sequential processes, queuing analysis, and perturbation analysis.

An introduction to a wide range of techniques and applications used in dynamical mathematical modelling. Emphasizing algebraic concepts, the text encourages students to develop a different manner

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of thinking about mathematics in order to apply mathematical concepts to other fields.

Combinatory logic is one of the most versatile areas within logic that is tied to parts of philosophical, mathematical, and computational logic. Functioning as a comprehensive source for current developments of combinatory logic, this book is the only one of its kind to cover results of the last four decades. Using a reader-friendly style, the author presents the most up-to-date research studies. She includes an introduction to combinatory logic before progressing to its central theorems and proofs. The text makes intelligent and well-researched connections between combinatory logic and lambda calculi and presents models and applications to illustrate these connections.

This volume is based on two DIMACS working group meetings on "Bioconsensus". It provides a valuable introduction and reference to the various aspects of this rapidly developing field. The meetings brought together mathematical and biological scientists to discuss the uses in the biological sciences of methods of consensus and social choice. These two lively meetings contributed much toward establishing the new field of "bioconsensus". Yet this book is much more than just a report of two meetings. It includes some historical background, as well as a substantial introduction to the axiomatic foundations of the field of bioconsensus and some practical

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applications of consensus methods to real data. Also included are contributed papers from experts who were not at the meetings. The book is intended for mathematical biologists, evolutionary biologists, and computer scientists.

Control Theory in Biomedical Engineering:

Applications in Physiology and Medical Robotics

highlights the importance of control theory and feedback control in our lives and explains how this theory is central to future medical developments.

Control theory is fundamental for understanding feedback paths in physiological systems (endocrine system, immune system, neurological system) and a concept for building artificial organs. The book is suitable for graduate students and researchers in the control engineering and biomedical engineering fields, and medical students and practitioners seeking to enhance their understanding of physiological processes, medical robotics (legs, hands, knees), and controlling artificial devices (pacemakers, insulin injection devices). Control theory profoundly impacts the everyday lives of a large part of the human population including the disabled and the elderly who use assistive and rehabilitation robots for improving the quality of their lives and increasing their independence. Gives an overview of state-of-the-art control theory in physiology, emphasizing the importance of this theory in the medical field through concrete

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examples, e.g., endocrine, immune, and neurological systems Takes a comprehensive look at advances in medical robotics and rehabilitation devices and presents case studies focusing on their feedback control Presents the significance of control theory in the pervasiveness of medical robots in surgery, exploration, diagnosis, therapy, and rehabilitation Almost every year, a new book on mathematical modeling is published, so, why another? The answer springs directly from the fact that it is very rare to find a book that covers modeling with all types of differential equations in one volume. Until now. *Mathematical Modeling: Models, Analysis and Applications* covers modeling with all kinds of differential equations, namely ordinary, partial, delay, and stochastic. The book also contains a chapter on discrete modeling, consisting of differential equations, making it a complete textbook on this important skill needed for the study of science, engineering, and social sciences. More than just a textbook, this how-to guide presents tools for mathematical modeling and analysis. It offers a wide-ranging overview of mathematical ideas and techniques that provide a number of effective approaches to problem solving. Topics covered include spatial, delayed, and stochastic modeling. The text provides real-life examples of discrete and continuous mathematical modeling scenarios. MATLAB® and Mathematica® are incorporated

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throughout the text. The examples and exercises in each chapter can be used as problems in a project. Since mathematical modeling involves a diverse range of skills and tools, the author focuses on techniques that will be of particular interest to engineers, scientists, and others who use models of discrete and continuous systems. He gives students a foundation for understanding and using the mathematics that is the basis of computers, and therefore a foundation for success in engineering and science streams.

In this two volume festschrift, contributors explore the theoretical developments (Volume I) and applications (Volume II) in traditional cognitive psychology domains, and model other areas of human performance that benefit from rigorous mathematical approaches. It brings together former classmates, students and colleagues of Dr. James T. Townsend, a pioneering researcher in the field since the early 1960s, to provide a current overview of mathematical modeling in psychology. Townsend's research critically emphasized a need for rigor in the practice of cognitive modeling, and for providing mathematical definition and structure to ill-defined psychological topics. The research captured demonstrates how the interplay of theory and application, bridged by rigorous mathematics, can move cognitive modeling forward.

This volume contains review articles and original results obtained in various fields of modern science using mathematical simulation methods. The basis of the articles are the plenary and some section reports that were made and discussed at the Fourth International Mathematical Simulation Conference, held in Moscow on June 27 through July 1,

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2000. The conference was devoted to the following scientific areas: • mathematical and computer discrete systems models; • non-linear excitation in condensed media; • complex systems evolution; • mathematical models in economics; • non-equilibrium processes kinematics; • dynamics and structure of the molecular and biomolecular systems; • mathematical transfer models in non-linear systems; • numerical simulation and algorithms; • turbulence and determined chaos; • chemical physics of polymer. This conference was supported by the Russian Ministry of Education, Russian foundation for Basic Research and Federal Program "Integration". This volume contains the following sections: 1. models of non-linear phenomena in physics; 2. numerical methods and computer simulations; 3. mathematical computer models of discrete systems; 4. mathematical models in economics; 5. non-linear models in chemical physics and physical chemistry; 6. mathematical models of transport processes in complex systems. In Sections One and Five a number of fundamental and sufficiently general problems, concerning real physical and physical-chemical systems simulation, is discussed.

Exploring one of the most dynamic areas of mathematics, *Advanced Number Theory with Applications* covers a wide range of algebraic, analytic, combinatorial, cryptographic, and geometric aspects of number theory. Written by a recognized leader in algebra and number theory, the book includes a page reference for every citing in the bibliography and more. This volume presents selected papers from a three-day workshop held during the DIMACS special years on Mathematical Support for Molecular Biology. Participants from the world over attended, giving the workshop an important international component. The study of discrete mathematics and optimization with medical applications is emerging as an important new research area. Significant applications have

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been found in medical research, for example in radiosurgical treatment planning, virtual endoscopy, and more. This volume presents a substantive cross-section of active research topics ranging from medical imaging to human anatomy modeling, from gamma knife treatment planning to radiation therapy, and from epileptic seizures to DNA screening. This book is an up-to-date resource reflecting current research directions. Computer-based mathematical modeling - the technique of representing and managing models in machine-readable form - is still in its infancy despite the many powerful mathematical software packages already available which can solve astonishingly complex and large models. On the one hand, using mathematical and logical notation, we can formulate models which cannot be solved by any computer in reasonable time - or which cannot even be solved by any method. On the other hand, we can solve certain classes of much larger models than we can practically handle and manipulate without heavy programming. This is especially true in operations research where it is common to solve models with many thousands of variables. Even today, there are no general modeling tools that accompany the whole modeling process from start to finish, that is to say, from model creation to report writing. This book proposes a framework for computer-based modeling. More precisely, it puts forward a modeling language as a kernel representation for mathematical models. It presents a general specification for modeling tools. The book does not expose any solution methods or algorithms which may be useful in solving models, neither is it a treatise on how to build them. No help is intended here for the modeler by giving practical modeling exercises, although several models will be presented in order to illustrate the framework. Nevertheless, a short introduction to the modeling process is given in order to expound the necessary background for the proposed modeling framework.

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Handbook of Discrete and Combinatorial Mathematics provides a comprehensive reference volume for mathematicians, computer scientists, engineers, as well as students and reference librarians. The material is presented so that key information can be located and used quickly and easily. Each chapter includes a glossary. Individual topics are covered in sections and subsections within chapters, each of which is organized into clearly identifiable parts: definitions, facts, and examples. Examples are provided to illustrate some of the key definitions, facts, and algorithms. Some curious and entertaining facts and puzzles are also included. Readers will also find an extensive collection of biographies. This second edition is a major revision. It includes extensive additions and updates. Since the first edition appeared in 1999, many new discoveries have been made and new areas have grown in importance, which are covered in this edition. *Mathematical Models in Biology* is an introductory book for readers interested in biological applications of mathematics and modeling in biology. A favorite in the mathematical biology community, it shows how relatively simple mathematics can be applied to a variety of models to draw interesting conclusions. Connections are made between diverse biological examples linked by common mathematical themes. A variety of discrete and continuous ordinary and partial differential equation models are explored. Although great advances have taken place in many of the topics covered, the simple lessons contained in this book are still important and informative. Audience: the book does not assume too much background knowledge--essentially some calculus and high-school algebra. It was originally written with third- and fourth-year undergraduate mathematical-biology majors in mind; however, it was picked up by beginning graduate students as well as researchers in math (and some in biology) who wanted to learn about this field.

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Written by experts in both mathematics and biology, *Algebraic and Discrete Mathematical Methods for Modern Biology* offers a bridge between math and biology, providing a framework for simulating, analyzing, predicting, and modulating the behavior of complex biological systems. Each chapter begins with a question from modern biology, followed by the description of certain mathematical methods and theory appropriate in the search of answers. Every topic provides a fast-track pathway through the problem by presenting the biological foundation, covering the relevant mathematical theory, and highlighting connections between them. Many of the projects and exercises embedded in each chapter utilize specialized software, providing students with much-needed familiarity and experience with computing applications, critical components of the "modern biology" skill set. This book is appropriate for mathematics courses such as finite mathematics, discrete structures, linear algebra, abstract/modern algebra, graph theory, probability, bioinformatics, statistics, biostatistics, and modeling, as well as for biology courses such as genetics, cell and molecular biology, biochemistry, ecology, and evolution.

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Examines significant questions in modern biology and their mathematical treatments Presents important mathematical concepts and tools in the context of essential biology Features material of interest to students in both mathematics and biology Presents chapters in modular format so coverage need not follow the Table of Contents Introduces projects appropriate for undergraduate research Utilizes freely accessible software for visualization, simulation, and analysis in modern biology Requires no calculus as a prerequisite Provides a complete Solutions Manual Features a companion website with supplementary resources

?In this brief we consider some stochastic models that may be used to study problems related to environmental matters, in particular, air pollution. The impact of exposure to air pollutants on people's health is a very clear and well documented subject. Therefore, it is very important to obtain ways to predict or explain the behaviour of pollutants in general. Depending on the type of question that one is interested in answering, there are several of ways studying that problem. Among them we may quote, analysis of the time series of the pollutants' measurements, analysis of the information obtained directly from the data, for instance, daily, weekly or monthly averages and standard deviations. Another way to study the behaviour of pollutants in general is through mathematical models. In the mathematical

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framework we may have for instance deterministic or stochastic models. The type of models that we are going to consider in this brief are the stochastic ones.?

This concise and clear introduction to the topic requires only basic knowledge of calculus and linear algebra - all other concepts and ideas are developed in the course of the book. Lucidly written so as to appeal to undergraduates and practitioners alike, it enables readers to set up simple mathematical models on their own and to interpret their results and those of others critically. To achieve this, many examples have been chosen from various fields, such as biology, ecology, economics, medicine, agricultural, chemical, electrical, mechanical and process engineering, which are subsequently discussed in detail. Based on the author's modeling and simulation experience in science and engineering and as a consultant, the book answers such basic questions as: What is a mathematical model? What types of models do exist? Which model is appropriate for a particular problem? What are simulation, parameter estimation, and validation? The book relies exclusively upon open-source software which is available to everybody free of charge. The entire book software - including 3D CFD and structural mechanics simulation software - can be used based on a free CAELinux-Live-DVD that is available in the Internet (works on most machines

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and operating systems).

Collects the detailed contributions of selected groups of experts from the fields of biostatistics, control theory, epidemiology, and mathematical biology who have engaged in the development of frameworks, models, and mathematical methods needed to address some of the pressing challenges posed by acts of terror.

The 1918-19 influenza epidemic killed more than fifty million people worldwide. The SARS epidemic of 2002-3, by comparison, killed fewer than a thousand. The success in containing the spread of SARS was due largely to the rapid global response of public health authorities, which was aided by insights resulting from mathematical models. Models enabled authorities to better understand how the disease spread and to assess the relative effectiveness of different control strategies. In this book, Lisa Sattenspiel and Alun Lloyd provide a comprehensive introduction to mathematical models in epidemiology and show how they can be used to predict and control the geographic spread of major infectious diseases. Key concepts in infectious disease modeling are explained, readers are guided from simple mathematical models to more complex ones, and the strengths and weaknesses of these models are explored. The book highlights the breadth of techniques available to modelers today, such as population-based and individual-based models, and

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covers specific applications as well. Sattenspiel and Lloyd examine the powerful mathematical models that health authorities have developed to understand the spatial distribution and geographic spread of influenza, measles, foot-and-mouth disease, and SARS. Analytic methods geographers use to study human infectious diseases and the dynamics of epidemics are also discussed. A must-read for students, researchers, and practitioners, no other book provides such an accessible introduction to this exciting and fast-evolving field.

Features an authentic and engaging approach to mathematical modeling driven by real-world applications With a focus on mathematical models based on real and current data, *Models for Life: An Introduction to Discrete Mathematical Modeling with Microsoft® Office Excel®* guides readers in the solution of relevant, practical problems by introducing both mathematical and Excel techniques. The book begins with a step-by-step introduction to discrete dynamical systems, which are mathematical models that describe how a quantity changes from one point in time to the next. Readers are taken through the process, language, and notation required for the construction of such models as well as their implementation in Excel. The book examines single-compartment models in contexts such as population growth, personal finance, and body weight and provides an introduction to more

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mathematics majors enrolled in mathematics or quantitative reasoning courses such as introductory mathematical modeling, applications of mathematics, survey of mathematics, discrete mathematical modeling, and mathematics for liberal arts. The book is also an appropriate supplement and project source for honors and/or independent study courses in mathematical modeling and mathematical biology. Jeffrey T. Barton, PhD, is Professor of Mathematics in the Mathematics Department at Birmingham-Southern College. A member of the American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of America, his mathematical interests include approximation theory, analytic number theory, mathematical biology, mathematical modeling, and the history of mathematics.

This volume consists of chapters written by eminent scientists and engineers from the international community and present significant advances in several theories, methods and applications of an interdisciplinary research. These contributions focus on both old and recent developments of Global Optimization Theory, Convex Analysis, Calculus of Variations, Discrete Mathematics and Geometry, as well as several applications to a large variety of concrete problems, including applications of computers to the study of smoothness and analyticity of functions, applications to epidemiological diffusion, networks, mathematical

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models of elastic and piezoelectric fields, optimal algorithms, stability of neutral type vector functional differential equations, sampling and rational interpolation for non-band-limited signals, recurrent neural network for convex optimization problems and experimental design. The book also contains some review works, which could prove particularly useful for a broader audience of readers in Mathematical and Engineering subjects and especially to graduate students who search for the latest information.

The book covers nonlinear physical problems and mathematical modeling, including molecular biology, genetics, neurosciences, artificial intelligence with classical problems in mechanics and astronomy and physics. The chapters present nonlinear mathematical modeling in life science and physics through nonlinear differential equations, nonlinear discrete equations and hybrid equations. Such modeling can be effectively applied to the wide spectrum of nonlinear physical problems, including the KAM (Kolmogorov-Arnold-Moser (KAM)) theory, singular differential equations, impulsive dichotomous linear systems, analytical bifurcation trees of periodic motions, and almost or pseudo-almost periodic solutions in nonlinear dynamical systems.

Algorithmic graph theory has been expanding at an extremely rapid rate since the middle of the twentieth century, in parallel with the growth of computer science

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and the accompanying utilization of computers, where efficient algorithms have been a prime goal. This book presents material on developments on graph algorithms and related concepts that will be of value to both mathematicians and computer scientists, at a level suitable for graduate students, researchers and instructors. The fifteen expository chapters, written by acknowledged international experts on their subjects, focus on the application of algorithms to solve particular problems. All chapters were carefully edited to enhance readability and standardize the chapter structure as well as the terminology and notation. The editors provide basic background material in graph theory, and a chapter written by the book's Academic Consultant, Martin Charles Golumbic (University of Haifa, Israel), provides background material on algorithms as connected with graph theory.

A Trusted Guide to Discrete Mathematics with Proof? Now in a Newly Revised Edition Discrete mathematics has become increasingly popular in recent years due to its growing applications in the field of computer science. Discrete Mathematics with Proof, Second Edition continues to facilitate an up-to-date understanding of this important topic, exposing readers to a wide range of modern and technological applications. The book begins with an introductory chapter that provides an accessible explanation of discrete mathematics. Subsequent chapters explore additional related topics including counting, finite probability theory, recursion, formal models in computer science, graph theory, trees, the concepts of functions,

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basic background in calculus, Discrete Mathematics with Proof, Second Edition is an excellent book for mathematics and computer science courses at the undergraduate level. It is also a valuable resource for professionals in various technical fields who would like an introduction to discrete mathematics.

This approachable text studies discrete objects and the relationships that bind them. It helps students understand and apply the power of discrete math to digital computer systems and other modern applications. It provides excellent preparation for courses in linear algebra, number theory, and modern/abstract algebra and for computer science courses in data structures, algorithms, programming languages, compilers, databases, and computation. \* Covers all recommended topics in a self-contained, comprehensive, and understandable format for students and new professionals \* Emphasizes problem-solving techniques, pattern recognition, conjecturing, induction, applications of varying nature, proof techniques, algorithm development and correctness, and numeric computations \* Weaves numerous applications into the text \* Helps students learn by doing with a wealth of examples and exercises:

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- More than 3,700 exercises
- More than 150 computer assignments
- More than 600 writing projects

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Thirty years ago, biologists could get by with a rudimentary grasp of mathematics and modeling. Not so today. In seeking to answer fundamental questions about how biological systems function and change over time, the modern biologist is as likely to rely on sophisticated mathematical and computer-based models as traditional fieldwork. In this book, Sarah Otto and Troy Day provide biology students with the tools necessary to both interpret models and to build their own. The book starts at an elementary level of mathematical modeling, assuming that the reader has had high school mathematics and first-year calculus. Otto and Day then gradually build in depth and complexity, from classic models in ecology and evolution to more intricate class-structured and probabilistic models. The authors provide primers with instructive exercises to introduce readers to the more advanced subjects of linear algebra and probability theory. Through examples, they describe how models have been used to understand such topics as the spread of HIV, chaos, the age structure of a country, speciation, and extinction. Ecologists and evolutionary biologists today need enough mathematical training to be able to assess the power and limits of biological models and to develop theories and models themselves. This innovative book will be an indispensable guide to the world of mathematical models for the next generation of biologists. A how-to guide for developing new mathematical models in biology Provides step-by-step recipes for constructing and analyzing models Interesting biological applications Explores classical models in

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