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World Scientific Publishing Co Pte Ltd, Singapore, 2008. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 230 x 154 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. The principal message of this book is that thermodynamics and statistical mechanics will benefit from replacing the unfortunate, misleading and mysterious term entropy with a more familiar, meaningful and appropriate term such as information, missing information or uncertainty. This replacement would facilitate the interpretation of the driving force of many processes in terms of informational changes and dispel the mystery that has always enshrouded entropy. It has been 140 years since Clausius coined the term entropy; almost 50 years since Shannon developed the mathematical theory of information - subsequently renamed entropy . In this book, the author advocates replacing entropy by information, a term that has become widely used in many branches of science. The author also takes a new and bold approach to thermodynamics and statistical mechanics. Information is used not only as a tool for predicting distributions but as the fundamental cornerstone concept of thermodynamics, held until now by the term entropy .The topics covered include the fundamentals of probability and information theory; the general concept of information as well as the particular concept of information...



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Thorough guide! Its such a very good go through. It is really simplified but surprises in the 50 % from the ebook. You will like how the blogger write this ebook.

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This book is so gripping and fascinating. Of course, it is actually perform, still an interesting and amazing literature. You will not feel monotony at anytime of your respective time (that's what catalogs are for about in the event you request me).

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