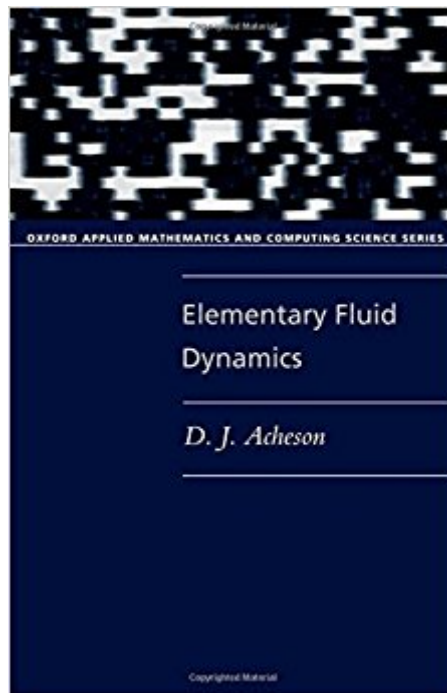




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Physics Today

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A book of typical Cambridge, Oxford style: clear and instructive. Mathematics is kept at a relatively low level which is ideal for first time reader of fluid mechanics. A lot of interesting examples and illustrations get the theory in contact with real life, which make the book easier to follow and quite enjoyable to read. As its name suggest, the contents of this book are elementary. Therefore, if you need to a basic understanding of fluid dynamics, this book is a great choice.

Elementary fluid dynamics (Acheson) es un libro muy bueno para estudiantes de física como yo. Explica bastante bien y contiene todos los conceptos físicos que se debiesen manejar un físico o un ingeniero. También contiene problemas resueltos, lo cual es muy útil.

First of all, there is nothing elementary about fluid dynamics. This book was recommended in a course I took as a first year Chemistry PhD student. If I didn't have a professor there to ask questions to, I would have never understood this subject just from this book. It is a good reference to this subject, but definitely has no sections that read like a cover-to-cover introductory textbook. Everything I needed to know and more is in there, I just have to read sections over and over to understand it!

I received the book timely. Book was clean and the price was fair. Helped me get a B in a 500 level class whose four prior prerequisites I was not able to take but were necessary.

This is the clearest book on fluid dynamics that I've seen. It's perfect for physics students who need a quick review of the subject. It does an amazing job of relating the math to the reality. Many of the problems make reference to research as recent as the 1980's. This book isn't the last word on anything (for example the information on instability is only the beginning), but it's an amazing place to start. As for the down sides, the math requirements in my opinion are a little steeper than the back cover implies. It pretty much assumes that you know complex variables and the residue theorem, and although it avoids the more difficult PDEs, it might help to know some things about them. And this isn't really a down side, but a lot of interesting information is tied to the problems, which may bother some readers.

This book is one of the most stimulating books on fluid mechanics that I have come across. It is very carefully written and well organized. The physics behind the phenomena are vividly explained. The subject is, however, mathematically difficult and the book should not be attempted without advanced calculus and vector analysis.

This book is well organized and full of examples, but it's will be better to explain more about the math operation and what does it means in the real world.

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