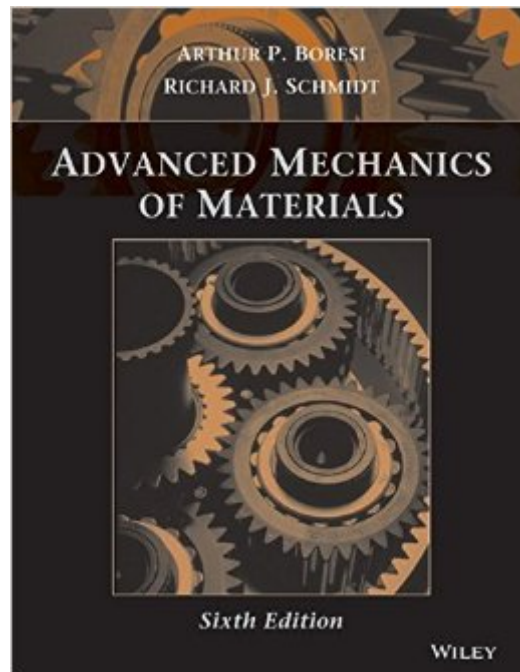


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The book was delivered in a timely manner in the condition described. The book itself is not very useful. The explanations are very brief and gloss over a lot of material. I had to use some of my other textbooks to look up equations that were required for the problems listed in each chapter. I recommend a different mechanics of materials book. The mech. of. mat. book by Philpot is much better and covers almost all the material in this book, and covers other material.

This book is well written and even manages to maintain an interesting easily read tone. The only reason I don't give it a 5 is because it is not a stand alone text. Aside from stress/strain theories and general planar analysis (Mohr's circle relations, Hooke's Laws), there is not much review of basic mechanics of materials in this book so it is not going to work for students new to mechanics or who are looking to be able to review basic mechanics before you delve into the meat of advanced mechanics. In fact, I recommend having a basic mechanics book available even for the more advanced students because it is often a necessary reference for many of the problems. Aside from the above drawback, the new material presented in this book is laid out very well and with just enough detail to keep an engineer happy. What I mean by this is that only enough mathematics is used as is necessary, and the author avoids extensive exhausting proofs wherever he can. Some of the advanced topics covered are as follows: Inelastic Material Behavior Applications of Energy Methods Advanced Bending & Torsion Curved Beam Analysis Elastic and Inelastic Foundations Stress Concentrations Fracture Mechanics Fatigue Contact Stresses Creep

Indispensable, very good quality book. Gives solid background for the interested parties. Not for faint-hearted, needs solid math knowledge. You need to solve the problems. I would recommend it to my friend.

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