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Spacecraft Sensors, the first of its kind, offers a comprehensive review of many aspects and intricacies of sensors used in the spacecraft industry. It covers sensor development from concept, design, and cost, to building, testing, interfacing, integrating, and on-orbit operation. It is intended for the specialist or non-specialist engineer, scientist, and those involved in the business aspect of the spacecraft industry. Focusing on how these various disciplines contribute to the development of a sensor used in space, this key text: Explains how mathematics, phys
