1. Record Nr. UNINA9910254619003321 Autore Scheck Florian Titolo Statistical Theory of Heat / / by Florian Scheck Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2016 3-319-40049-5 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (IX, 233 p. 46 illus.) Collana Graduate Texts in Physics, , 1868-4513 Disciplina 536.7 Soggetti Thermodynamics Statistical physics Dynamical systems Phase transitions (Statistical physics) Quantum physics Complex Systems Phase Transitions and Multiphase Systems Quantum Physics Statistical Physics and Dynamical Systems Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali Includes index. Basic Notions of the Theory of Heat -- Thermodynamics: Classical Nota di contenuto Framework -- Geometric Aspects of Thermodynamics -- Probabilities. States, Statistics -- Mixed Phases, Phase Transitions, Stability of Matter -- Exercises. Hints and Selected Solutions. Scheck's textbook starts with a concise introduction to classical Sommario/riassunto thermodynamics, including geometrical aspects. Then a short introduction to probabilities and statistics lays the basis for the statistical interpretation of thermodynamics. Phase transitions, discrete models and the stability of matter are explained in great detail. Thermodynamics has a special role in theoretical physics. Due to the general approach of thermodynamics the field has a bridging function between several areas like the theory of condensed matter, elementary

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