Record Nr. UNINA9910299974703321 Autore Edwards Harold M Titolo Advanced Calculus: A Differential Forms Approach / / by Harold M. Edwards Boston, MA:,: Birkhäuser Boston:,: Imprint: Birkhäuser,, 2014 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-8176-8412-3 Edizione [1st ed. 2014.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XIX, 508 p. 102 illus.) : online resource Collana Modern Birkhäuser Classics, , 2197-1811 Disciplina 515 Soggetti Mathematical analysis Functional analysis Functions of real variables Sequences (Mathematics) **Analysis Functional Analysis** Real Functions Sequences, Series, Summability Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Originally published: Boston: Houghton Mifflin, c1994. Includes index. Nota di contenuto Constant Forms -- Integrals -- Integration and Differentiation --Linear Algebra -- Differential Calculus -- Integral Calculus -- Practical Methods of Solution -- Applications -- Further Study of Limits --Appendices -- Answers to Exercises -- Index. Sommario/riassunto In a book written for mathematicians, teachers of mathematics, and highly motivated students, Harold Edwards has taken a bold and unusual approach to the presentation of advanced calculus. He begins with a lucid discussion of differential forms and quickly moves to the fundamental theorems of calculus and Stokes' theorem. The result is genuine mathematics, both in spirit and content, and an exciting choice for an honors or graduate course or indeed for any mathematician in need of a refreshingly informal and flexible reintroduction to the

subject. For all these potential readers, the author has made the approach work in the best tradition of creative mathematics. This

affordable softcover reprint of the 1994 edition presents the diverse set of topics from which advanced calculus courses are created in beautiful unifying generalization. The author emphasizes the use of differential forms in linear algebra, implicit differentiation in higher dimensions using the calculus of differential forms, and the method of Lagrange multipliers in a general but easy-to-use formulation. There are copious exercises to help guide the reader in testing understanding. The chapters can be read in almost any order, including beginning with the final chapter that contains some of the more traditional topics of advanced calculus courses. In addition, it is ideal for a course on vector analysis from the differential forms point of view. The professional mathematician will find here a delightful example of mathematical literature; the student fortunate enough to have gone through this book will have a firm grasp of the nature of modern mathematics and a solid framework to continue to more advanced studies. The most important feature...is that it is fun—it is fun to read the exercises, it is fun to read the comments printed in the margins, it is fun simply to pick a random spot in the book and begin reading. This is theway mathematics should be presented, with an excitement and liveliness that show why we are interested in the subject. —The American Mathematical Monthly (First Review) An inviting, unusual, high-level introduction to vector calculus, based solidly on differential forms. Superb exposition: informal but sophisticated, down-to-earth but general, geometrically rigorous, entertaining but serious. Remarkable diverse applications, physical and mathematical. —The American Mathematical Monthly (1994) Based on the Second Edition .