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number of appendices will help student and newcomers to the field reviewing some basic methods and provide them with useful details.