Record Nr. UNINA9910820305403321 Autore Haddad Wassim M. <1961-> Titolo Thermodynamics: a dynamical systems approach / / Wassim M. Haddad, VijaySekhar Chellaboina, Sergey G. Nersesov Princeton,: Princeton University Press, c2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-68015-904-6 1-282-15830-9 9786612158308 1-4008-2697-7 Edizione [Course Book] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (199 p.) Collana Princeton series in applied mathematics Classificazione UG 1000 Altri autori (Persone) ChellaboinaVijaySekhar <1970-> NersesovSergev G. <1976-> 536/.7 Disciplina Soggetti Thermodynamics - Mathematics Differentiable dynamical systems Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. [175]-183) and index. Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- Preface -- Chapter 1. Introduction --Chapter 2. Dynamical System Theory -- Chapter 3. A Systems Foundation for Thermodynamics -- Chapter 4. Temperature Equipartition and the Kinetic Theory of Gases -- Chapter 5. Work, Heat, and the Carnot Cycle -- Chapter 6. Thermodynamic Systems with Linear Energy Exchange -- Chapter 7. Continuum Thermodynamics --Chapter 8. Conclusion -- Bibliography -- Index Sommario/riassunto This book places thermodynamics on a system-theoretic foundation so as to harmonize it with classical mechanics. Using the highest standards of exposition and rigor, the authors develop a novel formulation of thermodynamics that can be viewed as a moderatesized system theory as compared to statistical thermodynamics. This middle-ground theory involves deterministic large-scale dynamical system models that bridge the gap between classical and statistical thermodynamics. The authors' theory is motivated by the fact that a

> discipline as cardinal as thermodynamics--entrusted with some of the most perplexing secrets of our universe--demands far more than physical mathematics as its underpinning. Even though many great

physicists, such as Archimedes, Newton, and Lagrange, have humbled us with their mathematically seamless eurekas over the centuries, this book suggests that a great many physicists and engineers who have developed the theory of thermodynamics seem to have forgotten that mathematics, when used rigorously, is the irrefutable pathway to truth. This book uses system theoretic ideas to bring coherence, clarity, and precision to an extremely important and poorly understood classical area of science.