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The ability of a structural assembly to carry loads and forces determines how stable it will be over time. Viewing structural assemblages as comprising columns, beams, arches, rings, and plates, this book will introduce the student to both a classical and advanced understanding of the mechanical behavior of such structural systems under load and how modeling the resulting strains can predict the overall future performance-the stability-of that structure. While covering traditional beam theory, the book is more focused on elastica theory in keeping with modern approaches. This text will be