

BOOK REVIEWS

Boundary Layer Theory, 8th Edn. By H. SCHLICHTING & K. GERSTEN. Springer 2000. 799 pp. ISBN 3-540-66270-7. DM 179.

This is a new edition of the redoubtable classic. Much of it is a revision of the earlier material, but there is sufficient addition to give an introduction to interactive boundary-layer theory and modern numerical methods, both of which were in an early stage when the previous edition appeared. The section on stability and turbulence has been extensively re-written to incorporate recent developments, and describes the more commonly used turbulence models.

The re-presentation and up-dating of the classical material follows Schlichting's style of clarity in setting out the mathematics, meticulous definition of dimensional variables and the inclusion of meaningful diagrams and comparison with experiment. This makes the material accessible to both theoretical and practical fluid dynamicists. The style for the new sections on interactive boundary-layer theory and numerical methods is, of necessity, different, for each topic would fill a separate volume. To make some space, the short section on slow flow in the previous edition has been omitted, although it would probably have been preferable to reduce the material on approximate and integral methods as these have largely been made redundant by the high-speed computer.

The volume is attractively produced, seems to have very few misprints and has an extensive bibliography. As there is a considerable amount of additional material in this new edition it does not seem unreasonably priced.

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SHORT NOTICE

Annual Review of Fluid Mechanics. Vol. 32. Edited by J. L. LUMLEY, M. VAN DYKE & H. L. REED. Annual Reviews, 2000. 873 pp. ISBN 0 8243 0732 1.

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Scale-Invariance and Turbulence Models for Large-Eddy Simulation, Charles Meneveau and Joseph Katz

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- Flows Induced by Temperature Fields in a Rarefied Gas and their Ghost Effect on the Behavior of a Gas in the Continuum Limit, Yoshio Sone