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READING LIST

Textbooks:

- "Classical Mechanics," John R. Taylor, University Science Books, 2005. Clearest explanations.
- "Mathematical Methods for Scientists and Engineers," Donald A. McQuarrie, University Science Books, 2003.

The classics:

Classical dynamics

- "Classical Mechanics," 3rd edition, H. Goldstein, C. Poole, J. Safko; Addison Wesley, San Francisco, 2002. Older editions are just as good; the 2nd edition may even be better.
- "Mechanics," L. D. Landau and E. M. Lifshitz; Pergamon, Addison-Wesley, Reading, MA, 1960. Short but sweet.

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- "Methods of Theoretical Physics," P. M. Morse and H. Feshbach; McGraw-Hill, New York, 1953. (two volumes) (not as broad coverage as the other books)
- "Mathematical Methods for Physicists," 7th edition, G. B. Arfken and H. J. Weber; Elsevier, Amsterdam and Boston, 2012.

Recommended textbooks for supplemental reading:

Classical dynamics

- "Classical Mechanics," 5th edition, T. W. B. Kibble and F. H. Berkshire; Imperial College Press, London, 2004, available in paperback.
- "Classical Mechanics," H. C. Corben and P. Stehle; Robert E. Krieger Publishing Co., Huntington, NY, 1960.
- "Classical Mechanics: Systems of Particles and Hamiltonian Dynamics," 2nd ed., W. Greiner, Springer, 2010, available in paperback.
- "Classical Dynamics of Particles and Systems," 5th ed., S. T. Thornton and J. B. Marion; Brooks/Cole, Boston, 2008.
- "Classical Mechanics," J. W. Leech; Methuen & Co. and Science Paperbacks, London, 1965, available in paperback.
- "Elements of Hamiltonian Mechanics," 2nd ed., D. ter Haar, 1961.

Mathematics

- "Foundations of Applied Mathematics," Michael D. Greenberg, Dover Publications, Mineola, New York, 2013, available in paperback.
- "Mathematical Methods in the Physical Sciences," 3rd ed., Mary L. Boas, Wiley, New York, 2006.
- "Mathematical Methods for Physics and Engineering," 3rd ed., K. F. Riley, M. P. Hobson, S. J. Bence, Cambridge University Press, 2006, available in paperback.