machinery of tensors and differential forms is introduced. It is at the end of this chapter that a first abstract form of Stokes's theorem is obtained. The final chapter defines manifolds and fields and forms on them, arrives at a general Stokes's theorem for manifolds, and finally, in the last four pages, presents the classical versions of Green's theorem, the divergence theorem, and Stokes's theorem.

The numerous exercises are essential to the treatment, in two ways especially. First, they contain virtually all the (relatively) concrete illustrations that are given. Second, when an exercise is marked with an asterisk, this signals that there are subsequent developments in the text which depend on it. Of some hundred exercises in the first three chapters, more than 20 are marked in this way and used later.

The format is for the most part pleasant, and I noted only a few misprints. It is a minor annoyance that reference numbers labeling displayed equations appear, not at the margin, but right next to the equations themselves. An index would have been useful.

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Biology

Biologists in these times follow many lines of investigation with a degree of success that even their immediate predecessors would find surprising. They have now reached the point of anticipating unbroken progress in their protean discipline and they draw immense satisfaction from the anticipation.

Yet the recent accomplishments partake more of chemistry, physics, and mathematics than of biology as such. To speak of "biophysics," "biochemistry" and "molecular biology" is to acknowledge this fact, which is, I think, disturbing to many.

For the great biological problems—that of organism in general and that of order within the biosphere—remain not only unsolved but have not as yet even been usefully posed. Most biologists know of these problems and are frustrated at being unable to deal with them. At present one can only cast about and hope for the best. In **Size and Cycle** (Princeton University Press, Princeton, N.J., 1965. 227 pp., $7.50), J. T. Bonner has done just this. In my opinion, his failure is total and his subsequent refusal to cut the loss, unfortunate.

The avowed purpose of the work is to draw attention to the life cycle (zygote to zygote) as the proper unit of study for those who would comprehend the true biological significance of development and evolution. We are promised that changes in size as expressed by changes in length (why not by changes in total nitrogen?) around the life cycle will be established as the indicators of complexity and sophistication at all evolutionary grades.

Nothing ever comes of the promise because, insofar as size changes are such indicators, this has been realized long since and found to be unenlightening. Bonner pays his respects to the alleged theme on numerous occasions but no more than to a large number of other conceptions.

Size and Cycle is episodic to an acute degree, and the integration is minimal. Time after time Bonner announces that he is about to come to grips with some crucial issue but then falls back on restatements of the obvious. His account of the comparative merits of sexual and asexual reproduction is a case in point.

I believe that Bonner realizes he is in difficulty. At several points he becomes very defensive. On page 52, for example, he regrets that he must analyze life cycles into periods of size increase and size decrease when they really should be shown "simultaneously branching in all directions in three dimensions." He then makes this statement: "However I am not clever enough to discuss everything at once, so this bit of dissection and analysis, although imperfect, is unavoidable." Surely it is strange when a scientist regrets an analysis which he has just told us is to be the key to a new view of evolving organisms.

Rarely, there are oases in which interesting concepts (such as that of range variation) are presented, but their merits are their own and have nothing to do with sizes or cycles.

Size and Cycle contains 30 beautiful plates that have an aura of the 17th century about them. They are the best feature of the book, but in them we have art, not biology.

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