

cation has resulted in a volume that is comprehensive and authoritative, yet reasonably compact and inexpensive. In several respects, it does not give the details of the best current work, but it does give heuristic explanations and the references in which to look for the details.

The contents of the book are 4 percent introductory, 28 percent on dynamics, 28 percent on physical properties, 27 percent object-by-object discussions, and 13 percent hypotheses about origin. The earth's moon is discussed only to the extent to which its dynamics or circumstances of origin help understand satellites in general.

In the dynamical part, three articles pertain to orbits as they are and three to orbits and rotations as they have evolved. The most important chapter, by Burns, is a comprehensive review of orbit evolution that avoids mathematical detail but does not use diagrammatic explanations as a substitute as much as it might. A review of satellite rotation by Peale is a helpful complement to his more technical papers. Missing is a similar discussion of planetary rotation, with which satellite orbit evolution interacts (perhaps drastically in the case of Venus).

The part on physical properties is organized according to manner of observation: photometry, polarimetry, spectrophotometry, radiometry, and occultations, with comprehensive reviews by Veverka, Johnson and Pilcher, Morrison, and O'Leary. The part on objects is a more miscellaneous collection of nine articles, of which the most intriguing are the discussions of Titan by Hunten and of Io by Fanale and colleagues.

As could be expected, the part on origins is the most idiosyncratic, with three quite different views, very little cross-referenced: what might be called the astrophysicist's view, by Cameron; the plasma physicist's view, by De, Alfvén, and Arrhenius; and the dynamicist's view, by Safronov and Ruskol. At the end, there is an entertaining review of the moon's origin by Wood, in which he manages to place everyone's hypotheses on a schematic fission-accretion-capture triangle of lunar origin ideologies. Unfortunately, it is obsolete in that it does not include the recent "catastrophic" school of Cameron, Hartmann, Wetherill, and others. As has happened with the moon, more data about the other satellites will undoubtedly bring us to new plateaus of confusion and debate.

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