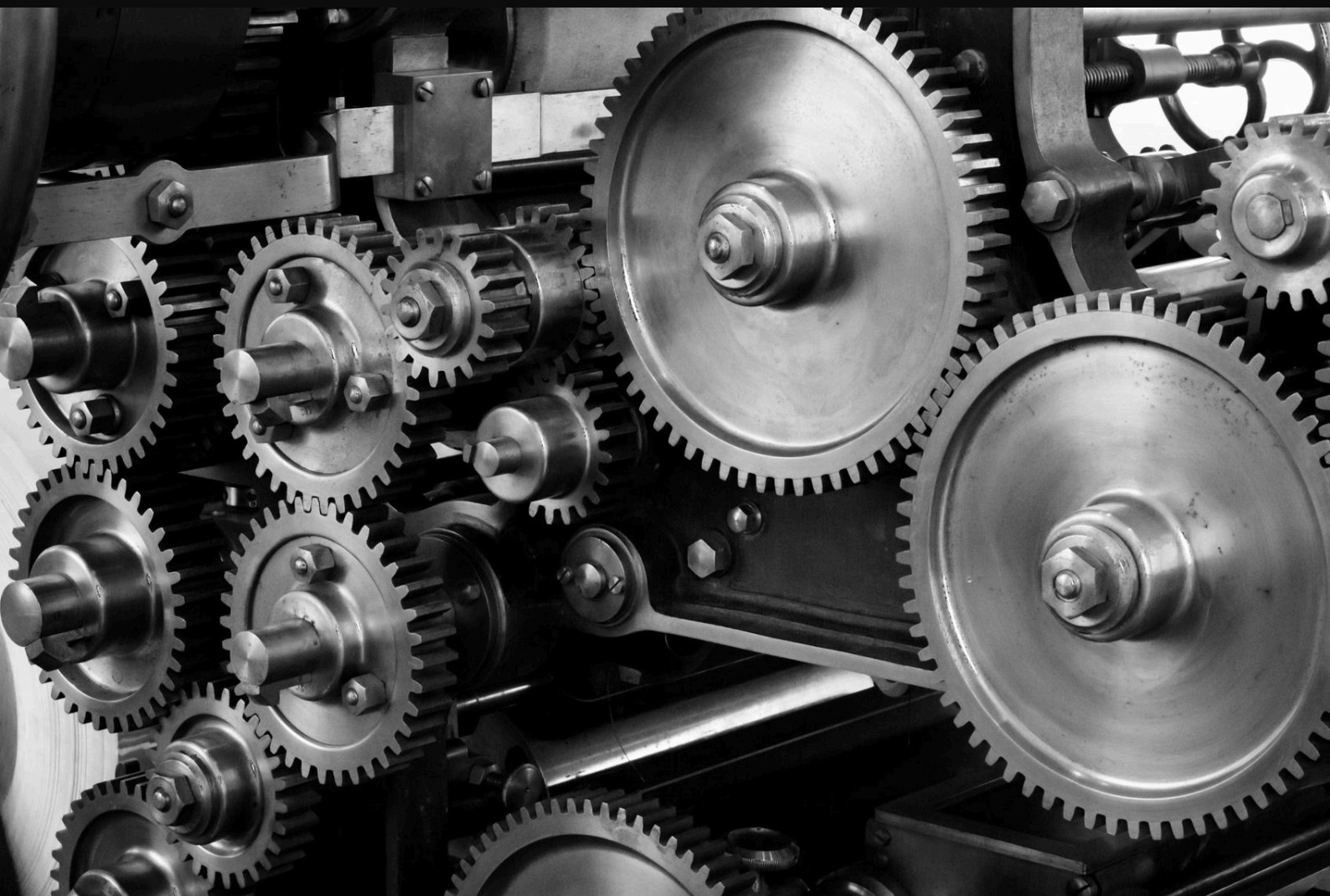


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Preface

Mechanical engineering forms the backbone of modern technological development, influencing industries ranging from manufacturing and energy to robotics and transportation. *Fundamentals of Mechanical Engineering: Concepts and Applications* has been carefully designed to provide a comprehensive introduction to the core principles of mechanical engineering while emphasizing their real-world applications.

This book aims to serve as a foundational resource for undergraduate students, diploma learners, and aspiring engineers. It presents fundamental concepts in a clear, structured, and accessible manner, ensuring that readers not only understand theoretical principles but also appreciate their practical significance.

The content of this book is organized systematically, beginning with basic engineering concepts and gradually progressing toward advanced topics such as thermodynamics, fluid mechanics, materials science, manufacturing processes, and modern engineering applications. Special attention has been given to incorporating examples, case studies, and illustrations that enhance conceptual clarity and promote problem-solving skills.

In addition, this book integrates contemporary advancements such as automation, mechatronics, and Industry 4.0 to align traditional mechanical engineering education with current technological trends. The goal is to prepare readers not only for academic success but also for professional challenges in an evolving engineering landscape.

We hope that this book will serve as a valuable guide for students, educators, and professionals alike, fostering a deeper understanding of mechanical engineering and inspiring innovation and critical thinking.

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