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Book Description

This first-of-its-kind resource offers you an in-depth understanding of wireless sensor networks from a systems perspective. The book describes and categorizes the technological trends, leading applications, state-of-the-art platform developments, future trends, and challenges of sensor networks. You find critical coverage of network protocols and mechanisms for node localization, time synchronization, media access control, topology creation and management, routing, transport, storage, security and fault tolerance, energy conservation and harvesting, and node deployment in large-scale sensor networks.

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MEMS mechanical sensors.â€” (Artech House MEMS library) 1. Microelectricalmechanical systemsâ€”Design and construction I. Beeby, Stephen 621.3â€”81. 2. Transducers. ISBN 1-58053-536-4.Â Both the sensor and the actuator could be MEMS devices in their own right. For the purpose of this book, MEMS is an appropriate term as it specifically relates to mechanical (micro) devices and also includes wider areas such as chemical sensors, microoptical systems, and microanalysis systems. There is also a wide variety of usage of terms such as transducer, sensor, actua-tor, and detector. For the purpose of this text, we choose to adopt the definition pro-posed by Brignell and White [3], where sensors and actuators are two subsets of transducers.