atomic problems, especially to atomic spectroscopy. Then, based on knowledge gained in atomic physics, problems in nuclear theory and quantum electrodynamics were investigated. New methods were afterwards developed to study nuclear problems, field theory and many-body problems of physics. These newer methods are now being applied to problems in atomic spectroscopy as revealed by the title of the book.

The material is based on the G. H. Dieke Memorial Lectures given at the Johns Hopkins University in early 1966. The reader must bear this fact in mind when approaching this book because most of the information is presented in a highly condensed form. Also, the reader should have a good grasp of the more conventional Racah methods used in atomic spectroscopy to be able to take full advantage of the information discussed in the text.

The lectures must be considered to be a *tour de force*, for which the author is to be congratulated, but unfortunately the novice in this field will not be greatly helped without a substantial amount of outside reading and filling in between the lines. However, one must take into account that this book is not a textbook for the uninitiated but a series of lectures on recent work in the forefront of the field. Although the Johns Hopkins Press has done a service to the scientific community by publishing these important lectures, thus affording a wider audience to obtain the benefit of these lectures, it is, however, unfortunate that the cost is approximately 10 cents per page.

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