characterization of bioclusters. Written by experts, each chapter provides background to a technique or procedure, a stepwise guide to analysis, and includes data for biochar researchers, feedstock common to all presented methods. Discussion about the unique features, advantages and disadvantages of a particular technique is an explicit focus of this handbook for biochar analyst. Biochar is primarily intended for researchers, postgraduate students and practitioners who require knowledge of biochar properties. It will also serve as an important resource for researchers, industry and regulatory agencies dealing with biochar.

Biochar

Algebraic Geometry for Scientists and Engineers As requested by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Interagency Committee for Extramural Mathematics Programs (ICEMAP), this report updates the 1984 Report known as the "David Report." Specifically, the charge directed the committee to (1) update that report, describing the infrastructure and support for U.S. mathematics research; (2) assess trends and progress over the intervening five years against the recommendations of the 1984 report; and (3) make recommendations for research, infrastructure, and support, regardless of the recommendations of the 1984 report. The charge also included an update and appropriate recommendations designed to ensure that U.S. mathematical sciences research will meet national needs in coming years. If the several components of the mathematics research enterprise—mathematics research—i.e., the prime components of the enterprise—are funded adequately. The report—described in the 1984 Report relative to theoretical development, new applications, and the refining and deepening of old applications—have if anything increased. The mathematics research enterprise has even more valuable to other sciences and technology. Although some progress has been made since 1984 in the support for mathematical sciences research, the goals set in the 1984 Report have not been achieved. Practically all of the increase in funding has gone into building the infrastructure, which has stagnated badly by 1984. While graduate and postdoctoral research, computer facilities, and new institutes have benefited from increased resources, some of these areas are still under-supported by the standards of other sciences. And in the area of research support for individual investigators, almost no progress has been made. A critical storage of qualified mathematical sciences researchers still looks, held at bay for the moment by a large influx of foreign researchers, an uncertain situation in the longer term. While government has responded substantially to the 1984 Report's recommendations, particularly in the support of infrastructure, the universities generally have not, so that the academic foundations of the mathematical sciences research enterprise are as shaky now as in 1984. The greatest progress has been made in the mathematics research community, whose members have shown a greater awareness of the problems confronting the discipline and increased interest in dealing with the problems, particularly in regard to communication with the public and government agencies and involvement in education. (AA)

Lectures on Results on Bezout's Theorem Now in paperback, this advanced text on Cohen-Macaulay rings has been updated and expanded.

Commutative Algebra Relations between groups and sets, results and methods of abstract algebra in terms of number theory and geometry, and commutative algebra and homological algebra, solutions. 2006 edition.

The American Mathematical Monthly

Lecture Notes on Local Rings The first Joint AMS-India Mathematics Meeting was held in Bangalore (India). This book presents articles written by speakers from a special session on commutative and algebraic geometry. Included are contributions from some leading researchers around the world in this subject area. The volume contains invited talks and expository lectures given at the meeting.

Renewing U.S. Mathematics Math and Art: An Introduction to Visual Mathematics explores the potential of mathematics to generate visually appealing objects and reveals some of the beauty of mathematics. With a CD-ROM and a 16-page full-color insert, it includes numerous illustrations, computer-generated graphics, photographs, and art reproductions to demonstrate this aesthetic.

Basic Abstract Algebra

Basic Commutative Algebra - . . if one wants to make progress in mathematics one should study the masters not the pupils. R. H. Abel Beeks was certainly one of the masters in commutative algebra. He wrote the book with which he gave us the language of commutative algebra, ring theory, and algebraic geometry. In his book, Abél Beeks then-Theory of Algebraic Numbers has become a classic. To quote another master, Andre Weil: "To improve upon Beeks, in an attempt to write a book which is self-contained, sections on algebraic constructions such as the tensor product and the exterior power are included. Differential geometry is very well represented. Throughout the book, numerous explicit examples of commutative algebra are self-contained, well developed and useful. The book is a must for any researcher interested in commutative algebra.

Commutative Algebra - Proceedings of The Workshop This text presents a graduate-level introduction to differential geometry for mathematics and physics students. The exposition follows the historical development of the concepts of connection and curvature with the goal of explaining the Chern-Weil theory of characteristic classes on a principal bundle. Along the way we encounter some of the high points in the history of differential geometry, for example Gauss' Theorema Egregium and the Gauss-Bonnet theorem. Exercises throughout the book test the reader's understanding of the material and sometimes illustrate extensions of the theory. Initially, the prerequisites for the reader include a passing familiarity with manifolds. After the first chapter, it becomes necessary to understand and manipulate differential forms. A knowledge of de Rham cohomology is required for the last third of the text. Prerequisite material is contained in author's text An Introduction to Manifolds, and can be learned in one semester. For the benefit of the reader and to establish common notations, Appendix A recalls the basics of manifold theory. Additionally, in an attempt to make the exposition more self-contained, sections on algebraic constructions such as the tensor product and the exterior power are included. Differential geometry is very well represented. Throughout the book, numerous explicit examples of commutative algebra are self-contained, well developed and useful. The book is a must for any researcher interested in commutative algebra.

Homological Methods in Commutative Algebra This book is an introduction to semiample Lie algebra conciles and informal, with numerous exercises and examples.

Cohen-Macaulay Rings In a relatively short time, commutative algebra has grown in many directions. Over a period of nearly fifty years starting from the so-called Cohen-Macaulay period till today, the area has developed into a rich laboratory of methods, structures and problem-solving tools. One could say a distinct modern trend of commutative algebra is a strong interaction with various aspects of Combinatorics and Computer Algebra. This has resulted in a new sense of measuring for old results, and a better understanding of old results. At the same time, Invariant Theory and Algebraic Geometry remain constituents of an everlasting classical source, responsible for important themes that have been developed in Commutative Algebra — such as deformation, linkage, algebraic tori and determinantal rings, etc. This volume of proceedings is well-entitled on the lines of development outlined above. As such, it aims to keep researchers and mathematicians well-informed of the developments in the field.

Commutative Algebra and Algebraic Geometry (CAAG-2010) This textbook offers a thorough, modern introduction into commutative algebra. It is intended mainly to serve as a guide for a course of one or two semesters, or for self-study. The carefully selected subject matter concentrates on the concepts and results at the center of the field. The book maintains a constant view on the natural geometric content, enabling the reader to gain a deeper understanding of the material. Although it emphasizes theory, three chapters are devoted to computational aspects. Many illustrative examples and exercises enrich the text.

Steps in Commutative Algebra

University Commutative Algebra

University Commutative Algebra This introductory textbook for a graduate course in pure mathematics provides a gateway into the two different fields of algebraic geometry and commutative algebra. The book begins with a succinct treatment of commutative algebra, starting from the basics of ring theory to the fundamentals of the Zariski topology. Along the way developed by Grothendieck, this book derives into the rich interplay between algebraic geometry and commutative algebra. A selection is made from the wealth of material in the discipline, along with concise yet clear definitions and synopses.

Lauda-Rings in these Notes on "Projective Modules and Complete Intersections" an account on the recent developments in research on this subject is presented. The authors, who have been major participants in the advancement of the field, have been influenced by Khovanski's construction of algebraic tori by means of a decoration of algebraic varieties with Coxeter systems. The book is a must for any researcher interested in commutative algebra or algebraic geometry. It contains a large number of exercises and solutions. (AA)

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