

Marine Acoustics The Physics of Sound in Underwater Environments Jens M. Hovem

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Marine Acoustics is today's most complete and lucid text on the fundamentals of sonar engineering. Each facet of physics and engineering addressed in the text begins with a strong foundation of theory followed by applications-oriented examples of solutions that demonstrate the use of the theory just developed with the scope of its validity and the limitations of its solutions.

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