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This is an ideal text for graduate students in solid state physics, covering all the essential topics for a practical and intuitive understanding of the field.

KEY FEATURES:

- Covers all the main elements of solid state theory, with each chapter focused on a different set of theoretical tools.
- Provides the basis for making quantitative calculations and equips students with an intuitive understanding of effects.
- Examples from specific systems are featured to show practical applications to real experimental topics.
- Exercises are provided in each chapter to help put knowledge into practice, with a solutions manual for instructors available online.
- Advanced topics including group theory, many-body theory, and phase transitions are introduced in an accessible way.
- Several new appendices review the basic math methods used in the book.

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