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Most of the material covered in the book concerns results that so far were only available as articles in specialized journals

Provides a comprehensive overview of the recent developments and makes them accessible to a wider audience, including graduate students and researchers interested in the broad field of optimization

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Numerous results and examples highlight the close connection of optimization theory with other related fields such as dynamical systems, equilibrium theory, stochastic modeling, game theory, etc.

This book contains an expanded version of three series of lectures delivered by the authors at the CRM in July 2009.

The theory of optimization, understood in a broad sense, is the basis of modern applied mathematics, covering a large spectrum of topics from theoretical considerations (structure, stability) to applied operational research and engineering applications. The compiled material of this book puts on display this versatility, by exhibiting the three parallel and complementary components of optimization: theory, algorithms, and practical problems.

The first part is a self-contained course on the general moment problem and its relations with semidefinite programming. The second part is dedicated to the problem of determination of Nash equilibria from an algorithmic viewpoint. The last part presents congestion models for traffic networks and develops modern optimization techniques for finding traffic equilibria based on stochastic optimization and game theory.