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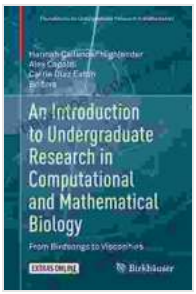

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This book will guide you through the process of getting involved in undergraduate research, from finding a research mentor to writing a research proposal to presenting your findings at a conference. Along the way, you'll learn about the different types of research that are conducted in computational and mathematical sciences, and you'll get tips on how to succeed in your own research endeavors.

What is undergraduate research?

Undergraduate research is a great way to get involved in the research process and learn about a specific topic in depth. It can also help you

develop your critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills. Undergraduate research is typically conducted under the supervision of a faculty mentor, and it can take many different forms, such as:

- **Literature reviews**: A literature review is a comprehensive overview of the existing research on a particular topic. It can be a great way to learn about the state of the art in a particular field and to identify areas for further research.
- **Experimental research**: Experimental research involves conducting experiments to test a hypothesis. This type of research can be used to answer questions about the world around us and to develop new theories.
- **Computational research**: Computational research involves using computers to solve problems. This type of research can be used to develop new algorithms, to simulate complex systems, and to analyze large datasets.
- **Theoretical research**: Theoretical research involves developing new mathematical models to explain the world around us. This type of research can be used to develop new theories and to make predictions about the future.

Benefits of undergraduate research

There are many benefits to participating in undergraduate research, including:

- **Develop your critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills.** Undergraduate research will challenge you to think critically about problems and to develop creative solutions. You

will also learn how to communicate your findings effectively, both orally and in writing.

- **Get involved in the research process and learn about a specific topic in depth.** Undergraduate research will give you the opportunity to work on a research project with a faculty mentor. You will learn about the research process firsthand and gain a deep understanding of a specific topic.
- **Prepare for graduate school or a career in research.** Undergraduate research is a great way to prepare for graduate school or a career in research. It will give you the skills and experience that you need to succeed in these fields.

How to get involved in undergraduate research

If you are interested in getting involved in undergraduate research, there are a few things you can do:

- **Talk to your professors.** Your professors are a great resource for finding research opportunities. They can tell you about research projects that they are working on and help you find a mentor.
- **Attend research talks and conferences.** Research talks and conferences are a great way to learn about the latest research in your field and to meet potential mentors.
- **Join a research group.** Many universities have research groups that are open to undergraduate students. Joining a research group is a great way to get involved in research and to learn from other students who are interested in the same topics as you.

Writing a research proposal

Once you have found a research mentor, the next step is to write a research proposal. A research proposal is a document that outlines your research project, including your research question, your methods, and your expected outcomes. Your research proposal will be reviewed by your mentor and by a committee of faculty members. If your research proposal is approved, you will be able to begin your research project.

Presenting your findings

Once you have completed your research project, you will need to present your findings. You can present your findings at a research conference, in a journal article, or in a thesis. Presenting your findings is a great way to share your work with others and to get feedback on your research.

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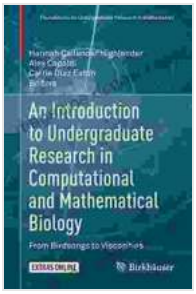
Additional resources

- National Science Foundation Undergraduate Research Fellowships
- American Chemical Society Undergraduate Scholarships
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics Undergraduate Research Award



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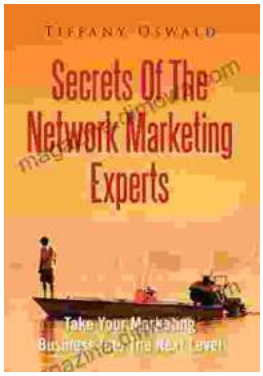

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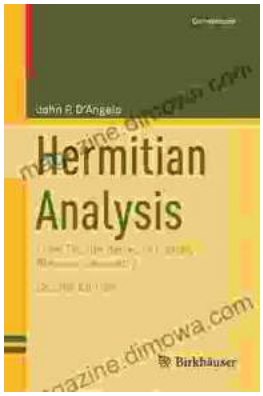

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