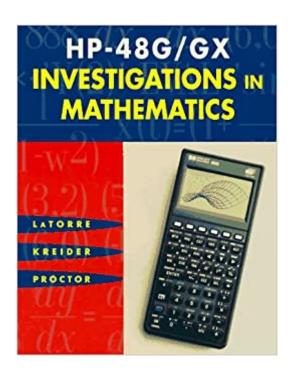


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This is a wonderful book on exploring calculus and other math subjects with an HP-48 calculator. The newer HP-50g works well also, but you'll have to fiddle around a little as the keyboard layout has changed somewhat. The book comes with all the programs on a floppy disk. Dust off your old disk drive and download the programs to your calc for easy access.

If you have a 48, it is a must, although you can manage to use it with the 50g as well. It has more than 600 pages, and you can be sure thats theres lots of fun in it. Only a minor issue is that it could have more printscreen of the display, making easier to understand the topics.

Based on the tables of contents, this book includes essentially the entire contents of _Differential Equations Using the HP-48G/GX_ by T. Gilmer, of _Calculus Investigations with the HP-48G/GX_ by Donald R LaTorre, Don Kreider and Gill Proctor. There are two additional sections that seem to

map to _Linear Algebra Investigations with the HP-48G/GX_ by LaTorre and Kreider and to HP-48G/GX Calculator Enhancement for Science and Engineering Mathematics by LaTorre, but I do not own those two so cannot verify this. A new or like-new version of this book will also include a programs disk to allow you to load all of the necessary programs onto your HP-48G or 48GX (the HP transfer kit will be required, and you will also need temporary access to a computer that can read 3.5 inch floppy disks). My copies of the first two books mentioned above did not come with any disk. Highly recommended, and there is probably no need to buy the other two books if you buy this one. Some similar material by LaTorre, at least for the calculus portion, can be found on the web for free download - search for "CALCULUS CONCEPTS: Graphing Calculator Guides" to find the page.

This may or may not be a good text book, starting at the calculus level. As HP no longer sells copies of its HP48/S manual, I had hoped that this book would be heavy on HP48 usage along with the calculus. I found that this is not the case; this is firstly a text book, and light on HP48 general operation. Also note that the included software is incomplete in the sense that one must purchase the HP option package with cable and PC communication software. (As there are easy to find descriptions of how to rig your own cable on line, I had assumed that the book's software would stand alone. One can still manually enter all the HP48 programs.)

This is the book you have to buy if you want to know how to operate with mathematic functions with the HP48. It is really a great book and it worth every cent you will spend on it.

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