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Sensorimotor Control and Learning is a groundbreaking text that provides a uniquely integrated treatment of sensory and motor processes, reflecting the latest research trends in both neuromotor control and the perceptual sciences. Richly illustrated and written in a clear and concise manner, the book emphasizes the intimate links between sensory and motor processes, providing an integrated view of perception and action. Features of the book: • Emphasis on the multidisciplinary nature of the subject, which makes the text useful for a wide variety of readers • A rigorous and thorough account of how motor behaviors are controlled, coordinated, and changed • Numerous real-world examples relating to everyday experience • The latest research in the field, including a unique introductory treatment of control theory • Boxes highlighting and explaining more than 100 key terms, definitions and concepts throughout the text • Essential background material on neuroscience, biomechanics and engineering, making it a self-contained book for students • Over 600 high-quality illustrations by the author Sensorimotor Control and Learning is an indispensable resource for students of kinesiology and psychology, as well as students of other disciplines such as human factors, biomedical engineering, physiotherapy, and the neurosciences.

The Economics of Politics is the fourth volume in Liberty Fund's The Selected Works of Gordon Tullock. This volume includes some of Gordon Tullock's most noteworthy contributions to the theory and application of public choice, which is a relatively new science that links economics and political action. This volume combines the best parts of two of his books, Private Wants: Public Means and On Voting, as well as his famous monograph The Vote Motive. The common thread of The Economics of Politics is the importance of the bond between Homo politicus and Homo economicus: they are the same species, each driven largely by self-interest in vigorous pursuit of such personal objectives as wealth, power, prestige, and income security within the confines of society. The Economics of Politics covers such diverse public choice topics as: the nature and origins of public choice, the power of using economic analysis to understand and predict the behavior of politically influenced markets, and an evaluation of voting rules and political institutions. Equally confident in both the normative and the positive branches of the discipline, and well-versed in the wide variety of institutions and practices of democracy throughout history, Tullock takes the reader on a journey that goes well beyond the conventional horizon of public choice. Gordon Tullock is Professor Emeritus of Law at George Mason University, where he was Distinguished Research Fellow in the Center for Study of Public Choice and University Professor of Law and Economics. He also taught at the University of South Carolina, the University of Virginia, Rice University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, and the University of Arizona. In 1966 he founded the journal that became Public Choice and remained its editor until 1990. Charles K. Rowley was Duncan Black Professor of Economics at George Mason University and a Senior Fellow of the James M. Buchanan Center for Political Economy at George Mason University. He was also General Director of the Locke Institute.

Personnel selection is changing. Whilst traditional face-to-face interviews are still common, the range of assessment processes that inform the selection of candidates is increasingly diverse, taking advantage not only of new technologies, but also using new methods and strategies, such as assessment centres and personality testing. This new collection looks at the most important contemporary issues in recruitment, selection and assessment today, highlighting the latest research from the perspective of both recruiter and applicant. The book is written by an international range of prominent scholars in this area, and provides up-to-date analysis of key topic areas, including: How measurements of intelligence can impact on recruitment policies The use and value of personality tests An analysis of social interaction in the interview process The value and impact of video resumes in recruitment How social networks affect how applicants are perceived Job analysis and competencies modelling Part of the Current Issues in Work & Organizational Psychology series, this is an important book that shines a light on the latest theory and practice in employee recruitment. It will interest not only students and researchers of Organizational Psychology, HRM and Business and Management, but will also engage professionals in the field.

A bold manifesto by two business leaders, A Billion Bootstraps shows why microcredit is the world's most powerful poverty-fighting movement—and an unbeatable investment for your charitable donations. A Billion Bootstraps unearths the roots of the microcredit revolution, revealing how the pioneering work of people such as Dr. Muhammad Yunus—winner of the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize—is giving hope to billions.

Philanthropist and self-made millionaire Phil Smith and microcredit expert and consultant Eric Thurman provide a riveting narrative that explores how these small loans, arranged by “barefoot bankers,” enable impoverished people to start small businesses, support their families, and improve local economies. By paying back their loans instead of simply accepting handouts, men and women around the world are continually giving others the same opportunity to change their futures. Smith and Thurman also examine why traditional charity programs, while providing short-term relief, often perpetuate the problems they are trying to alleviate, and how applying investment principles to philanthropy is the key to reversing poverty permanently. A Billion Bootstraps explains how ordinary people can accelerate the microcredit movement by investing charitable donations in specific programs and then leveraging those contributions so the net cost to lift one person out of poverty is remarkably low. You'll discover how to get more for your money by donating with the mind-set of an investor and calculating measurable returns—returns that will change lives and societies forever.

The gripping true story of Angelina Jolie, from #1 New York Times bestselling biographer Andrew Morton. "I like to collect knives," says Angelina Jolie, "but I also collect first edition books." At first glance, she might seem to be someone without any secrets, talking openly about her love life, sexual preferences, drug use, cutting, and tattoos—and why she kissed her brother on the lips in public. And yet mysteries remain: What was really going on in her brief, impulsive marriages to Jonny Lee Miller and Billy Bob Thornton, and what was going on in her partnership with Brad Pitt? What's behind the oft-reported feud with her father, the Oscar-winning actor Jon Voight? What drove her to become a mother of six children in six years? And—perhaps most puzzling of all—what about the other side of Angelina: How did this talented but troubled young actress, barely 35 years old, become a respected Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations as well as the "most powerful celebrity in the world" (unseating Oprah Winfrey) on Forbes' 2009 Celebrity 100 list? The answers that Andrew Morton has uncovered are astonishing, taking us deep inside Angelina's world to show us what shaped her as a child, as an actress, and as a woman struggling to overcome personal demons that have never before been revealed. In this spellbinding biography, Andrew Morton draws upon far-reaching original interviews and research, accompanied by exclusive private photographs, to show us the true story behind both the wild excesses of Angelina's youth and her remarkable work with children and victims of poverty and disaster today.

Introduces the world of model making with LEGOs, featuring life-size sculptures of dinosaurs, monuments, buildings, and other items. During the past half-century Gordon Tullock has continually advanced the frontiers of political economy, most particularly with respect to the workings of representative democracies and autocracies. As his reputation grows, Liberty Fund announces a ten-volume collection, The Selected Works of Gordon Tullock. This series, edited and arranged thematically by George Mason University's Duncan Black Professor of Economics Charles K. Rowley, brings together Tullock's most significant contributions to economics, political science, public choice, sociology, law and economics, and bioeconomics. Tullock followed a unique path in his academic career. His exposure to formal economic training was limited to one course taught by Henry Simons as part of the law curriculum at the University of Chicago. Although Tullock does not hold a degree in economics, he is one of the most respected and widely cited economists of the modern age. His influence on modern political economy is simply immense. As Rowley points out in his introduction to the first volume of this series, “Gordon Tullock is an economist by nature rather than by training.” Assuredly, his “outsider” perspective and his intellectual brilliance cultivate an uncommon

ability to think “outside the box” and to explain scientifically phenomena that are often intuitively obvious but not readily demonstrated. Tullock and his 1962 coauthor, Nobel laureate James M. Buchanan, are widely recognized as cofounders of public choice, a field that systematically applies the rational choice approach of economics to the analysis of political markets. Public choice analysts evaluate the impact on political outcomes exercised by voters, special interests, bureaucrats, legislators, and presidents on the assumption that each such actor pursues his own self-interest. In so doing, public choice demonstrates that the “invisible hand,” identified by Adam Smith as associating self-interest in the private marketplace with the wealth of a nation, does not necessarily hold in political markets, where the “visible boot” of government, unless carefully checked, may result in economic ruin. Tullock has made pathbreaking contributions to constitutional political economy, the vote motive, rent-seeking theory, bureaucracy, law and economics, and bioeconomics. He has expanded the frontiers of political economy, widely defined. Scholars will undoubtedly find the extensive breadth and depth of Tullock's writings enriching. The general reader, as well as the student of politics, and all who love economic liberty, will find Tullock's prose lucid, readable, and sprinkled with wit. His forensic argument is penetrating, compelling, clear, and unambiguous. His brilliant mind is surprisingly accessible to us all. Gordon Tullock is among a small group of living legends in the field of political economics. The Selected Works of Gordon Tullock provides an entree to the mind of an original thinker. Professor Rowley provides deliberately sparse contextual introduction to each volume, opting to allow the very able and eloquent Tullock to speak for himself. Charles K. Rowley is Duncan Black Professor of Economics and a Senior Fellow of the James M. Buchanan Center for Political Economy at George Mason University. He is also General Director of the Locke Institute.

This is the first survey of British immigration policy to include both its pre-World War Two origins and its development after the crucial 1962 Commonwealth Immigrants Act. It is an accessible introduction to a subject of increasing popularity with students and academics. It also integrates the results of extensive archival research. Offering a different perspective to sociological approaches, British Immigration Policy since 1939 will be of interest to historians, political scientists, and those studying public and social policy. In An Introduction to Psychological Assessment and Psychometrics, Keith Coaley outlines the key ingredients of psychological assessment, providing case studies to illustrate their application, making it an ideal textbook for courses on psychometrics or psychological assessment. New to the Second Edition: Includes occupational and educational settings Covers ethical and professional issues with a strong practical focus Case study material related to work selection settings End of chapter self-assessments to facilitate students' progress Complaint with the latest BPS Certificate of Testing curriculum Electronic inspection copies are available for instructors.

Every follower of Jesus Christ should be able to answer two simple questions: Who is investing in me? Who am I investing in? God desires to pour an abundance of spiritual and emotional capital into your life. And he wants to use you to pour spiritual and emotional capital into others. Along the way, you'll be changed. Others will change. You will experience God and his community in a new and personal and supernatural way. And so will others. God calls this process of spiritual investing “making disciples.” It's the heart of the Great Commission. It's the vision of a great local church. It's the secret of a healthy joyful, secure, and significant life.

When you control minds, only your heart can be used against you. Eight months ago, Kira Moore revealed to the mindreading world that mindjackers like herself were hidden in their midst. Now she wonders if telling the truth was the right choice. As wild rumors spread, a powerful anti-jacker politician capitalizes on mindreaders' fears and strips jackers of their rights. While some jackers flee to Jackertown—a slum rife with jackworkers who trade mind control favors for cash—Kira and her family hide from the readers who fear her and jackers who hate her. But when a jacker Clan member makes Kira's boyfriend Raf collapse in her arms, Kira is forced to save the people she loves by facing the thing she fears most: FBI agent Kestrel and his experimental torture chamber for jackers. MINDJACK: KIRA Open Minds (Book 1) Closed Hearts (Book 2) Free Souls (Book 3) Mindjack Short Story Collection (Book 4) MINDJACK: ZEPH Locked Tight (Book 1) Cracked Open (Book 2) Broken Wide (Book 3) The Locksmith (Book 4) FORMATS AND TRANSLATIONS Mindjack available in ebook, print, audiobook, French and German LIVE ACTION TRAILER Voted Best Trailer at the 2014 Illinois International Film Festival and one of 50 Most Cinematic Trailers Ever Made – check it out at Susan's website. KEYWORDS: young adult science fiction, young adult dystopian, teen science fiction, cyberpunk, action and adventure, genetic engineering, post-apocalyptic, metaphysical and visionary

Photographs help document the rise of the Nazi party, Hitler's private life, and the political intrigues of party members.

Physicalism—the thesis that everything there is in the world, including our minds, is constituted by basic physical entities—has dominated the philosophy of mind during the last few decades. But although the conceptual foundations of the physicalist agenda—including a proper explication of notions such as ‘causation’, ‘determination’, ‘realization’ or even ‘physicalism’ itself—must be settled before more specific problems (e.g. the problems of mental causation and human agency) can be satisfactorily addressed, a comprehensive philosophical reflection on the relationships between the various key concepts of the debate on physicalism is yet missing. This book presents a range of essays on the conceptual foundations of physicalism, mental causation and human agency, written by established and leading authors in the field.

Before Madame Octa... Before the Cirque... Before Darren Shan... Larten Crepsley was a young man. After failing his mentor and killing the entire crew of a ship in a bout of revenge for the death of his assistant, Larten is bereft with guilt. He no longer has the drive to live the vampiric life, and hides out in Paris, masquerading as a human. There, he finds some happiness, even falling in love with a girl. But the darkness inside him is too great for humanity, and he is forced to make a choice: hide in the shadows of the human world, or take his place among the vampire clan and protect those weaker than himself. But enemies are waiting, traps are laid, and Larten's path is bound to be strewn with bodies. This is his story.

Want to develop novel robot applications, but don't know how to write a mapping or object-recognition system? You're not alone, but you're certainly not without help. By combining real-world examples with valuable knowledge from the Robot Operating System (ROS) community, this practical book provides a set of motivating recipes for solving specific robotics use cases. Ideal for enthusiasts, from students in robotics clubs to professional robotics scientists and engineers, each recipe describes a complete solution using ROS open source libraries and tools. You'll learn how to complete tasks described in the recipes, as well as how to configure and recombine components for other tasks. If you're familiar with Python, you're ready to go. Learn fundamentals, including key ROS concepts, tools, and patterns Program robots that perform an increasingly complex set of behaviors, using the powerful packages in ROS See how to easily add perception and navigation abilities to your robots Integrate your own sensors, actuators, software libraries, and even a whole robot into the ROS ecosystem Learn tips and tricks for using ROS tools and community resources, debugging robot behavior, and using C++ in ROS

For courses in Signals and Systems offered in departments of Electrical Engineering. This book focuses on the mathematical analysis and design of analog signal processing using a just in time approach - new ideas and topics relevant to the narrative are

introduced only when needed, and no chapters are stand alone. Topics are developed throughout the narrative, and individual ideas appear frequently as needed.

“And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you:” To obtain the “power,” the commandment given to us by Jesus: “Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem (your present city) until ye be endued with power from on high” (Luke 24:49) must be obeyed. Many Christians claim the experience of Acts 2:4, but they have not attained the experience provided for in Luke 24:49. The progress so far is fine, but the deceiver still has many of us lulled to sleep, deluded, and self-satisfied, far from the goal Jesus intended for us to reach. I once owned an airplane, but owning an airplane and getting the motor going so it will take off with its own power are two different things. If you have the Holy Spirit, He still may not have sufficient sway in your life for you to have the advanced experience of power and the gifts of the Spirit. Many do not seek God far enough, and in quite the right manner to allow the Holy Spirit to exert His power, even though He has been received. Every evidence points to the fact that the early church and apostles put into practice what the church has failed to do today. Therefore, they had an experience that overshadows ours. Every single new testament church was founded in fasting and prayer. Acts 14:23. After Jesus said, “I send the promise of the Father upon you” He also told them, “Tarry . . . until ye be endued with power.” Where there is a lack of perfection and refinement among God’s people, as there is today, this power and the gifts of the Holy Spirit cannot very well be received by prayer alone. (If they can be received in this manner, I ask, where are they? Even in the days of the apostles, they too, found it necessary at times to employ this method to arrest the flesh and become refined in order to receive this power. They were in a state of perfection that far exceeded ours today. We believe many put into practice the prophet’s-length fast and obtained the power and gifts. Without following their example and deeds, we are without their mighty experiences. Consecrated fasting acts as a refining fire to the saint of God, and enables him to become purified and cleansed to such an extent he can obtain the power and the gifts of the Spirit. It actually requires a further process of purification and sanctified living to obtain and retain the gifts of the Spirit than otherwise. The best means of reaching that goal is to do as Paul asked us to do, follow him “in fastings often.” This volume endeavors to take what has generally been overlooked, and reveal, perhaps for the first time in detailed form, the secret of the early church. It is made so simple and easy of accomplishment that anyone can have an experience as dynamic as those of any of the apostles and followers of Jesus Christ.

Have you ever pondered the fascinating numeric precision woven throughout the Word of God? * 666 pertains to Antichrist. What about 777 or 888? * Why TEN Commandments and not 14 or 18? * Why a 7-day week? Why not 8 or 9? * Why were there 12 tribes of Israel and 12 apostles? In this fascinating reference, the late Dr. Ed Vallowe examines the significance of every number mentioned in the Bible.

After her police-captain husband receives taunting notes from a serial killer whose victims appear to have nothing in common, Molly Murphy is injured in a train crash that identifies her as an intended target. By the Edgar Award-nominated, New York Times best-selling author of the Evan Evans series.

Revised edition of: Engineering mathematics: a foundation for electronic, electrical, communications, and systems engineers / Anthony Croft, Robert Davison, Martin Hargreaves. 3rd editon. 2001.

It has become popular in recent years to talk about 'identity' as an aspect of engagement with technology - in virtual environments, in games, in social media and in our increasingly digital world. But what do we mean by identity and how do our theories and assumptions about identity affect the kinds of questions we ask about its relationship to technology and learning? Constructing the Self in a Digital World takes up this question explicitly, bringing together authors working from different models of identity but all examining the role of technology in the learning and lives of children and youth.

The third edition of this uniquely comprehensive two-volume anthology contains many of the most significant documents in American intellectual history. It includes new selections from a diverse group of authors that cover Puritan theology, communitarian thought, racial ideology, gender theory, cultural criticism, multiculturalism, and postmodernism. The extensive chronology has been revised and expanded to connect over a thousand important books, essays, and artistic works with events in American and European intellectual, cultural, and political history. Section introductions and headnotes have been rewritten to provide updated bibliographical references and to incorporate new ideas from scholarly literature about the selections. This anthology makes readily available substantial selections from the writings of prominent American thinkers, ranging chronologically from the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1630 to the present. Accessible to a wide range of students, The American Intellectual Tradition is invaluable for courses in intellectual history and serves as an excellent supplementary text for classes in American history, American studies, and American literature. Volume II now offers new selections by Rexford G. Tugwell, Clement Greenberg, Lillian Smith, Susan Sontag, Malcolm X, Hannah Arendt, Samuel Huntington, Kwame Anthony Appiah, and Judith Butler; and includes writings of Charles Hodge, Charles Peirce, William Dean Howells, William Graham Sumner, Lester Frank Ward, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Josiah Royce, William James, Henry Adams, George Santayana, William James, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., Thorstein Veblen, W.E.B. Du Bois, Jane Addams, John Dewey, Randolph Bourne, H.L. Mencken, Margaret Mead, John Crowe Ransom, Meridel Le Sueur, Reinhold Niebuhr, Whittaker Chambers, B.F. Skinner, Daniel Bell, C. Wright Mills, Lionel Trilling, Martin Luther King, Jr., Betty Friedan, Thomas S. Kuhn, Richard Rorty, Evelyn Fox Keller, and Michael Walzer.

These days, development inspires scant trust in the West. For critics who condemn centralized efforts to plan African societies as latter day imperialism, such plans too closely reflect their roots in colonial rule and neoliberal economics. But proponents of this pessimistic view often ignore how significant this concept has become for Africans themselves. In Bewitching Development, James Howard Smith presents a close ethnographic account of how people in the Taita Hills of Kenya have appropriated and made sense of development thought and practice, focusing on the complex ways that development connects with changing understandings of witchcraft. Similar to magic, development’s promise of a better world elicits both hope and suspicion from Wataita. Smith shows that the unforeseen changes wrought by development—greater wealth for some, dashed hopes for many more—foster moral debates that Taita people express in occult terms. By carefully chronicling the beliefs and actions of this diverse community—from frustrated youths to nostalgic seniors, duplicitous preachers to thought-provoking witch doctors—BewitchingDevelopment vividly depicts the social life of formerly foreign ideas and practices in postcolonial Africa.

The past comes back to haunt black ops specialist Sean Dillon and his colleagues in this New York Times bestselling novel of terrorism, revenge, and a very old nemesis... On a dark summer night, two Chechen mercenaries emerge from the waters off Nantucket to kill a high-value target, the former President of the United States. Unfortunately for them, the president has guests that night, including Sean Dillon and

his colleague, Afghan war hero Captain Sara Gideon. The Chechens do not survive the night, but Dillon is curious about how they even got on the island. What he discovers sends a chill through his bones—a name from Dillon's distant past. If this man is working with the terrorists now, the assassination attempt is only the beginning—and next time, the results may be much, much different.

Three sexy, original stories of men who are totally off-limits. From the author of the sizzling *One Dark Night*—three highly charged tales of unexpected desire, from the faraway past deep into the distant future... Here are three beautiful, daring women who find themselves succumbing to the forbidden, overpowering passion ignited by their arch enemies. Set in three different worlds—the past, the present, and the future—these stories will take readers way beyond their wildest imagination and into their most sensuous fantasies.

This bestselling all-in-one guide to the event planning business is back and better than ever, fully updated and revised to reflect the very latest trends and best practices in the industry. This handy, comprehensive guide includes forms, checklists, and tips for managing events, as well as examples and case studies of both successful and unsuccessful events. Judy Allen (Toronto, ON, Canada) is founder and President of Judy Allen Productions, a full-service event planning production company.

A working guide to the proper methods of interacting with the full Vodou pantheon • Includes the myths, cultural heritage, and ancestral lineage of the lwa and how to honor and serve them • Provides an introduction and guide that is especially useful for the solitary practitioner • Discusses the relationship between Vodou, Haitian culture, and Catholicism In *The Haitian Vodou Handbook*, Kenaz Filan, an initiate of the Société la Belle Venus, presents a working guide to the proper methods of interacting with the full Vodou pantheon, explaining how to build respectful relationships with the lwa, the spirits honored in Haitian Vodou, and how to transform the fear that often surrounds the Vodou religion. Until recently, the Haitian practice of Vodou was often identified with devil worship, dark curses, and superstition. Some saw the saint images and the Catholic influences and wrote Vodou off as a “Christian aberration.” Others were appalled by the animal sacrifices and the fact that the Houngans and Mambos charge money for their services. Those who sought Vodou because they believed it could harness “evil” forces were disappointed when their efforts to gain fame, fortune, or romance failed and so abandoned their “voodoo fetishes.” Those who managed to get the attention of the lwa, often received cosmic retaliation for treating the spirits as attack dogs or genies, which only further cemented Vodou's stereotype as “dangerous.” Filan offers extensive background information on the featured lwa, including their mythology and ancestral lineage, as well as specific instructions on how to honor and interact fruitfully with those that make themselves accessible. This advice will be especially useful for the solitary practitioner who doesn't have the personal guidance of a société available. Filan emphasizes the importance of having a quickened mind that can read the lwa's desires intuitively in order to avoid establishing dogma-based relationships. This working guide to successful interaction with the full Vodou pantheon also presents the role of Vodou in Haitian culture and explores the symbiotic relationship Vodou has maintained with Catholicism.

Catalysts speed up a chemical reaction or allow for reactions to take place that would not otherwise occur. The chemical nature of a catalyst and its structure are crucial for interactions with reaction intermediates. An electrocatalyst is used in an electrochemical reaction, for example in a fuel cell to produce electricity. In this case, reaction rates are also dependent on the electrode potential and the structure of the electrical double-layer. This work provides a valuable overview of this rapidly developing field by focusing on the aspects that drive the research of today and tomorrow. Key topics are discussed by leading experts, making this book a must-have for many scientists of the field with backgrounds in different disciplines, including chemistry, physics, biochemistry, engineering as well as surface and materials science. This book is volume XIV in the series “Advances in Electrochemical Sciences and Engineering”.

[This book] is a debate-style reader designed to introduce students to controversies in world history. The readings, which represent the arguments of leading historians and commentators on world history, reflect a variety of viewpoints and have been selected for their liveliness and substance and because of their value in a debate framework ... By requiring students to analyze opposing viewpoints and reach considered judgments, [this book] develops students' critical thinking skills. -Back cover.

Scott Foresman Reading Street ((c)2008) components for Grade 1.

This book aims to provide an easily accessible quick reference guide for advanced nursing students preparing to undertake practical examinations to assess advanced clinical practice competence, and students preparing for practical examinations in non-medical prescribing assessment. These examinations are commonly known as objective structured clinical examinations (OSCEs). The book is a preparation and revision tool, designed to be read in conjunction with any recommended core clinical textbooks: however, along with giving students step-by-step instructions on performing well in OSCE scenarios, it also gives guidance to academic staff on preparing to teach and mark OSCEs. This book uses a case study approach to OSCEs in a coherent, consistent, and easily understandable style. Both authors are clinical academic nurse practitioners who regularly work in clinical practice in conjunction with teaching advanced nurse practitioner and non-medical prescribing students.

An accessible guide to the growing field of financial econometrics As finance and financial products have become more complex, financial econometrics has emerged as a fast-growing field and necessary foundation for anyone involved in quantitative finance. The techniques of financial econometrics facilitate the development and management of new financial instruments by providing models for pricing and risk assessment. In short, financial econometrics is an indispensable component to modern finance. *The Basics of Financial Econometrics* covers the commonly used techniques in the field without using unnecessary mathematical/statistical analysis. It focuses on foundational ideas and how they are applied. Topics covered include: regression models, factor analysis, volatility estimations, and time series techniques. Covers the basics of financial econometrics—an important topic in quantitative finance Contains several chapters on topics typically not covered even in basic books on econometrics such as model selection, model risk, and mitigating model risk Geared towards both practitioners and finance students who need to understand this dynamic discipline, but may not have advanced mathematical training, this book is a valuable resource on a topic of growing importance.

Vitalism is understood as impacting the history of the life sciences, medicine and philosophy, representing an epistemological challenge to the dominance of mechanism over the last 200 years, and partly revived with organicism in early theoretical biology. The contributions in this volume portray the history of vitalism from the end of the Enlightenment to the modern day, suggesting some reassessment of what it means both historically and conceptually. As such it includes a wide range of material, employing both historical and philosophical methodologies, and it is divided fairly evenly between 19th and 20th century historical treatments and more contemporary analysis. This volume presents a significant contribution to the current literature in the history and philosophy of science and the history of medicine.

A “funny and fascinating” cultural history about one of our favorite pastimes: eating (*The Village Voice*). This is a delightful and intelligent look at the food we eat, with a cornucopia of incredible details about the ways we do it. Presented like a meal, each chapter of *Since Eve Ate Apples Much Depends on Dinner* represents a different course or garnish, which Margaret Visser handpicks from the most ordinary American dinner: among them corn on the cob with butter and salt, roast chicken with rice, salad dressed in lemon juice and olive oil, and ice cream. Visser tells the story behind each of these foods and in the course of her inquiries reveals some unexpected treats: the history of Corn Flakes; the secret behind the more dissatisfactory California olives

(they're picked green, chemically blackened, and sterilized); and the fact that, in Africa, citrus fruits are eaten whole, rind and all. For food lovers of all kinds, unexpectedly entertaining book is a treasure of information from the author of the New York Times Notable Book *The Rituals of Dinner*. "Rich in surprising facts, unexpected connections, and a well-documented outrage at what modern technology and agribusiness have done to purity and quality . . . A remarkable amount of information [presented] seamlessly and entertainingly." —Library Journal

Computational Intelligence (CI) and Bioprocess are well-established research areas which have much to offer each other. Under the perspective of the CI area, Bioprocess can be considered a vast application area with a growing number of complex and challenging tasks to be dealt with, whose solutions can contribute to boosting the development of new intelligent techniques as well as to help the refinement and specialization of many of the already existing techniques. Under the perspective of the Bioprocess area, CI can be considered a useful repertoire of theories, methods and techniques that can contribute and offer interesting alternative approaches for solving many of its problems, particularly those hard to solve using conventional techniques. Although throughout the past years CI and Bioprocess areas have accumulated substantial specific knowledge and progress has been quick and with a high degree of success, we believe there is still a long way to go in order to use the potentialities of the available CI techniques and knowledge at their full extent, as tools for supporting problem solving in bioprocesses. One of the reasons is the fact that both areas have progressed steadily and have been continuously accumulating and refining specific knowledge; another reason is the high level of technical expertise demanded by each of them. The acquisition of technical skills, experience and good insights in either of the two areas is very demanding and a hard task to be accomplished by any professional.

An Introduction to Real Estate Finance serves as the core of knowledge for a single-semester first course in real estate finance. Unlike other real estate finance textbooks, with their encyclopedic but often stale details, it combines a short traditional text with a living website. The book gives students and professors highly applied information, and its regularly updated online features makes it especially useful for this practitioner-oriented audience. It covers fundamental topics such as accounting and tax, mortgages, capital markets, REITs and more. It also addresses the 2008 financial crisis and its impact on the real estate profession. This text is a valuable companion for students of real estate finance as well as financial analysts, portfolio managers, investors and other professionals in the field. Offers a concise, efficient, "finance-centric" alternative to traditional real estate finance texts Website gives readers the tools to find current information about their own areas of specialization—a unique approach not found in other real estate finance textbooks Gives students and professors the material to examine every subject in broad and highly detailed terms
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