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Going Backwards Springer Science & Business Media

In a world characterized by an encroaching homogeneity induced by the growth of multi-national corporations and globalization, the causes of difference accrue new levels of importance. This is as true of tourism as in many other spheres of life – and one cause of differentiation for tourism promotion is the culture of Indigenous Peoples. This offers opportunities for cultural renaissance, income generation and enhanced political empowerment, but equally there are possible costs of creating commodities out of aspects of life that previously possessed

spiritual meaning. This book examines these issues from many different perspectives; from those of product design and enhancement; of the aspirations of various minority groupings; and the patterns of displacements that occur – displacements that are not simply spatial but also social and cultural. How can these changes be managed? Case studies and analysis is offered, derived from many parts of the globe including North America, Asia and Australasia. The contributors themselves have, in many instances, worked closely with groups and organizations of Indigenous Peoples and attempt to give voice to their concerns. The book is divided into various themes, each with a separate introduction and commentary. The themes are Visitor Experiences, Who manages Indigenous Cultural Tourism Product, Events and

Artifacts, Conceptualisation and Aspiration. In a short final section the silences are noted – each silence representing a potential challenge for future research to build upon the notions and lessons reported in the book. The book is edited by Professor Chris Ryan from New Zealand, and Michelle Aicken of Horwath Asia Pacific.

Exploring Science International Year 7 Student Book Simon and Schuster For a limited time at a special price, enjoy beloved mystery writer Tamar Myers' novel *The Witch Doctor's Wife*—an enthralling tale of duty, greed, danger, and miracles in equatorial Africa. As a bonus, you get an excerpt from *The Headhunter's Daughter* and *The Boy Who Stole the Leopard's Spots*, on sale May 8, 2012. *The Congo beckons* to young Amanda Brown in 1958, as she follows her

missionary calling to the mysterious "dark continent" far from her South Carolina home. But her enthusiasm cannot cushion her from the shock of a very foreign culture—where competing missionaries are as plentiful as flies, and oppressive European overlords are busy stripping the land of its most valuable resource: diamonds. Little by little, Amanda is drawn into the lives of the villagers in tiny Belle Vue—and she is touched by the plight of the local witch doctor, a man known as Their Death, who has been forced to take a second job as a yardman to support his two wives. But when First Wife stumbles upon an impossibly enormous uncut gem, events are set in motion that threaten to devastate the lives of these people. Amanda has come to admire and love—events that could lead to nothing less than murder.

Pierced by the Word Penguin
Resolving Spectral Mixtures: With Applications from Ultrafast Time-Resolved Spectroscopy to Superresolution Imaging offers a comprehensive look into the most important models and frameworks essential to resolving the spectral unmixing problem—from multivariate curve resolution and multi-way analysis to Bayesian positive source separation and nonlinear unmixing. Unravelling total spectral data into the contributions from individual unknown components with limited prior information is a complex problem that has attracted continuous interest for almost four decades. Spectral unmixing is a topic of interest in statistics, chemometrics, signal processing, and image analysis. For decades, researchers from these fields were often unaware of the work in other disciplines due to their different scientific and technical backgrounds and interest in different objects or samples. This led to the development of quite different approaches to solving the same problem. This multi-authored book will bridge the gap between disciplines with contributions from a number of well-known and strongly active chemometric and signal processing research groups. Among chemists, multivariate curve resolution methods are preferred to extract information about the nature, amount, and location in time (process) and space (imaging and microscopy) of chemical constituents in complex samples. In signal processing, assumptions are usually around statistical independence of the extracted components. However, the chapters include the complexity of the spectral data to be unmixed as well as dimensionality and size of the data sets. Advanced spectroscopy is the key thread linking the

different chapters. Applications cover a large part of the electromagnetic spectrum. Time-resolution ranges from femtosecond to second in process spectroscopy and spatial resolution covers the submicronic to macroscopic scale in hyperspectral imaging. Demonstrates how and why data analysis, signal processing, and chemometrics are essential to the spectral unmixing problem Guides the reader through the fundamentals and details of the different methods Presents extensive plots, graphical representations, and illustrations to help readers understand the features of different techniques and to interpret results Bridges the gap between disciplines with contributions from a number of well-known and highly active chemometric and signal processing research groups

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Dog Man: An Uncommon Life on a Faraway Mountain is a stunning portrait of the Japanese rebel who single-handedly rescued the 4,000-year-old Akita dog breed. At the end of World War II, there were only 16 Akita dogs left in Japan. Morie Sawataishi became obsessed with preventing the extinction of the 4,000-year-old Japanese dog breed. He defied convention, broke the law, gave up a prestigious job, and chose instead to take his urbanite wife to Japan's forbidding snow country to start a family, and devote himself entirely to saving the Akita. Martha Sherrill blends archival research, on-site reportage, and her talent for narrative to reveal Sawataishi's world, providing a profound look at what it takes to be an individual in a culture where rebels are rare, while expertly portraying a side of Japan that is rarely seen by outsiders.

Agile Manufacturing Elsevier
The world is at the brink of ruin . . . or is it salvation? Astaroth has been weakened, and the demon Prusias is taking full advantage of the situation to create an empire of his own. His formidable armies are on the move, and Rowan is in their sights. Rowan must rely on Max McDaniels and David Menlo and hope that their combined powers can stop Prusias's war machine before it's too late. But even as perils loom, danger stalks their every move. Someone has marked Max for death and no one is above suspicion. Should the assassins succeed, Rowan's fate may depend on little Mina whose abilities are prodigious but largely untested. And where is Astaroth? Has he fled this world or is he biding his time, awaiting his next opportunity? In the Tapestry's fourth book, author-illustrator Henry H. Neff boldly raises the stakes in an epic tale of

mankind's struggle to survive in a world now populated by demons and demigods and everything in between!

The Witch Doctor's Wife with Bonus Material Random House Books for Young Readers

Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques provides the concepts and techniques in processing gathered data or information, which will be used in various applications. Specifically, it explains data mining and the tools used in discovering knowledge from the collected data. This book is referred as the knowledge discovery from data (KDD). It focuses on the feasibility, usefulness, effectiveness, and scalability of techniques of large data sets. After describing data mining, this edition explains the methods of knowing, preprocessing, processing, and warehousing data. It then presents information about data warehouses, online analytical processing (OLAP), and data cube technology. Then, the methods involved in mining frequent patterns, associations, and correlations for large data sets are described. The book details the methods for data classification and introduces the concepts and methods for data clustering. The remaining chapters discuss the outlier detection and the trends, applications, and research frontiers in data mining. This book is intended for Computer Science students, application developers, business professionals, and researchers who seek information on data mining. - Presents dozens of algorithms and implementation examples, all in pseudo-code and suitable for use in real-world, large-scale data mining projects - Addresses advanced topics such as mining object-relational databases, spatial databases, multimedia databases, time-series databases, text databases, the World Wide Web, and applications in several fields - Provides a comprehensive, practical look at the concepts and techniques you need to get the most out of your data

Handbook of Blind Source Separation Springer Science & Business Media
A collection of essays written by Samuel Clements (as Mark Twain.).

Reverse Logistics Simon and Schuster
Edited by the people who were forerunners in creating the field, together with contributions from 34 leading international experts, this handbook provides the definitive reference on Blind Source Separation, giving a broad and comprehensive description of all the core principles and methods, numerical algorithms and major applications in the fields of telecommunications, biomedical engineering and audio, acoustic and

speech processing. Going beyond a machine learning perspective, the book reflects recent results in signal processing and numerical analysis, and includes topics such as optimization criteria, mathematical tools, the design of numerical algorithms, convolutive mixtures, and time frequency approaches. This Handbook is an ideal reference for university researchers, R&D engineers and graduates wishing to learn the core principles, methods, algorithms, and applications of Blind Source Separation. - Covers the principles and major techniques and methods in one book - Edited by the pioneers in the field with contributions from 34 of the world's experts - Describes the main existing numerical algorithms and gives practical advice on their design - Covers the latest cutting edge topics: second order methods; algebraic identification of under-determined mixtures, time-frequency methods, Bayesian approaches, blind identification under non negativity approaches, semi-blind methods for communications - Shows the applications of the methods to key application areas such as telecommunications, biomedical engineering, speech, acoustic, audio and music processing, while also giving a general method for developing applications

What is Man? Apex World of Speculative Fict

Recent changes to the ISO 9001:2000 international standards require that organizations must have an effective method of measuring customer satisfaction to achieve ISO certification. In addition to maintaining thorough documentation of each process, these organizations must also measure the effectiveness of that process, along with the consequences for the customers. Customer Satisfaction Measurement Simplified is the first book on the market specifically written to assist on attaining this requirement. Using graphics, charts, and real data with examples drawn from the authors own experiences, Customer Satisfaction Measurement Simplified will guide you through the process of implementing a customer satisfaction measurement process to help your organization meet ISO 9001 certification. Use Customer Satisfaction Measurement to Improve Performance Intended to address the practical questions of quality and satisfaction professionals who need quick answers to specific issues, Customer Satisfaction Measurement Simplified is a concise guide that will show how to implement an efficient measurement system. Terry Vavra begins by

demonstrating how to identify the requirements of the customer, then explains the best way to measure the level of satisfaction, and finally how to analyze and report the data collected. In this era of increased competition and globalized economies, businesses are striving to find any point of uniqueness to distinguish themselves from the competition. By effectively measuring customer satisfaction levels, organizations can demonstrate how they differentiate from the competition. Contains a bonus CD-ROM with additional information, charts and templates. Ahora disponible en espaol.

Oracle APEX Cookbook Springer

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Network Models in Optimization and Their Applications in Practice Packt Publishing Ltd

Old ways are pitted against new horrors in this compellingly crafted, "atmospherically beautiful" (Kirkus Reviews) dystopian tale about a girl who is both healer and seer. Two hundred years from now, blood has become the most valuable commodity on the planet—especially the blood of aboriginal peoples, for it contains antibodies that protect them from the Plague ravaging the rest of the world. Sixteen-year-old Cassandra Mercredi might be immune to the Plague, but that doesn't mean she's safe—government forces are searching for those of aboriginal heritage to harvest their blood. When a search threatens Cassandra and her family, they flee to the Island: a mysterious and idyllic territory protected by the Band, a group of guerilla warriors—and by an enigmatic energy barrier that keeps outsiders out and the spirit world in. And though the village healer has taken her under her wing, and the tribal leader's son into his heart, the creatures of the spirit world are angry, and they have chosen Cassandra to be their voice and instrument... Incorporating the traditions of the First Peoples as well as the more familiar stories of Greek mythology and Arthurian legend, *Shadows Cast by Stars* is a haunting, beautifully written story that breathes new life into ancient customs.

Indigenous Tourism John Wiley & Sons
The prevalence of obesity has now reached such proportions that in many

parts of the world it is one of the most dominant health problems. Obesity leads to a number of serious diseases such as type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, hypertension, stroke and cancer as well as psychological problems and a poor quality of life. Obesity research is now very active and understanding of the disease has greatly increased. The International Textbook of Obesity offers a definitive coverage of the area looking at epidemiology, causes, current research and management. * Gives an up to date account of the field * Edited by a leading expert in the area * Contributions from an impressive array of authors including many from young researchers giving new perspectives on the issues This will be a lasting reference for a wide range of academic and professional health care workers, including obesity research specialists, diabetologists, nutritionists, practising physicians and endocrinologists. *The Maelstrom* Packt Publishing Ltd
Pierced by the Word takes up thirty-one subjects as unique as "How to Be a Refugee for Your Children," "How to Drink Orange Juice to the Glory of God," and "Embracing the Pain of Shame." Some are longer, some shorter, like the real-world conversations they so closely resemble, and each comes from the fertile mind of John Piper and is written in his own inimitable style. Together, the readings will lead to a deeper understanding of God and a cleaner, clearer relationship with Him. Most of all, Piper's approach shows how meditating on God's powerful Word can affect every aspect of our lives. Whether you're steeped in the Word of God or newly acquainted with it, these thirty-one meditations will penetrate to the deepest reaches of your soul. With a contagious passion, John Piper awakens us to violent prayer, piercing pleasure, and fearless faith.

Shadows Cast by Stars Routledge
Developers, build mobile Android apps using Android 4 The fast-growing popularity of Android smartphones and tablets creates a huge opportunities for developers. If you're an experienced developer, you can start creating robust mobile Android apps right away with this professional guide to Android 4 application development. Written by one of Google's lead Android developer advocates, this practical book walks you through a series of hands-on projects that illustrate the features of the Android SDK. That includes all the new APIs introduced in Android 3 and 4, including building for tablets, using the Action Bar, Wi-Fi Direct, NFC Beam, and more. Shows experienced developers how to create mobile applications for

Android smartphones and tablets Revised and expanded to cover all the Android SDK releases including Android 4.0 (Ice Cream Sandwich), including all updated APIs, and the latest changes to the Android platform. Explains new and enhanced features such as drag and drop, fragments, the action bar, enhanced multitouch support, new environmental sensor support, major improvements to the animation framework, and a range of new communications techniques including NFC and Wi-Fi direct. Provides practical guidance on publishing and marketing your applications, best practices for user experience, and more This book helps you learn to master the design, lifecycle, and UI of an Android app through practical exercises, which you can then use as a basis for developing your own Android apps.

Left Back Springer Science & Business Media

* A rich and stimulating learning experience - Exploring Science: Working Scientifically Student Books present Key Stage 3 Science in the series' own unique style - packed with extraordinary photos and incredible facts - encouraging all students to explore, and to learn * Clear learning outcomes are provided for every page spread, ensuring students understand their own learning journey * New Working Scientifically pages focus on the skills required by the National Curriculum and for progression to Key Stage 4, with particular focus on literacy
The Apex Book of World SF Elsevier
 Location analysis has matured from an area of theoretical inquiry that was designed to explain observed phenomena to a vibrant field which can be and has been used to locate items as diverse as landfills, fast food outlets, gas stations, as well as politicians and products in issue and feature spaces. Modern location science is dealt with by a diverse group of researchers and practitioners in geography, economics, operations research, industrial engineering, and computer science. Given the tremendous advances location science has seen from its humble beginnings, it is time to look back. The contributions in this volume were written by eminent experts in the field, each surveying the original contributions that created the field, and then providing an up-to-date review of the latest contributions. Specific areas that are covered in this volume include: • The three main fields of inquiry: minimax and

minimax problems and covering models • Nonstandard location models, including those with competitive components, models that locate undesirable facilities, models with probabilistic features, and problems that allow interactions between facilities • Descriptions and detailed examinations of exact techniques including the famed Weiszfeld method, and heuristic methods ranging from Lagrangean techniques to Greedy algorithms • A look at the spheres of influence that the facilities generate and that attract customers to them, a topic crucial in planning retail facilities • The theory of central places, which, other than in mathematical games, where location science was born

Last Train to Babylon John Wiley & Sons

This best-selling book provides an accessible introduction to discrete mathematics through an algorithmic approach that focuses on problem-solving techniques. This edition has the techniques of proofs woven into the text as a running theme and each chapter has the problem-solving corner. The text provides complete coverage of: Logic and Proofs; Algorithms; Counting Methods and the Pigeonhole Principle; Recurrence Relations; Graph Theory; Trees; Network Models; Boolean Algebra and Combinatorial Circuits; Automata, Grammars, and Languages; Computational Geometry. For individuals interested in mastering introductory discrete mathematics.

Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques Harper Collins

This reference book includes 24 chapters written by a group of experts in the different fields of microfungi and cover a broad range of topics on microfungi. It provides the most updated information on the latest development in systematics and taxonomy of microfungi, new techniques which were developed in the last ten years and their application in microfungi research. After the International Code of Nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants (Melbourne Code) was adopted by the Eighteenth International Botanical Congress Melbourne, Australia, July 2011, it has had a profound impact on mycology and its research. Fungal nomenclature changes and its significance to fungal taxonomy and naming of microfungi in the future is discussed in detail. Since dual names system for fungi developing both sexual and asexual states, and fungi developing only asexual state is no longer

available, the first five chapters will clarify some confusion and provides perspective views on the direction for future research. The next nine chapters cover microfungi and their ecological roles or functions in the different habitats (air, indoor, aquatic, marine, plants, soils, etc). The remaining 13 chapters cover the relationship of microfungi and humans (good and bad) and usage or application microfungi in different industries, such as food, agriculture, forestry, green technology, pharmaceuticals, and medicine, as well as in our daily life. The book bridges the gap between basic mycological research and applied mycology and provide readers a unique set of information and knowledge of microfungi generated from multiple angles in different fields of mycology.

Resolving Spectral Mixtures John Wiley & Sons

As a Cookbook, this book enables you to create APEX web applications and to implement features with immediately usable recipes that unleash the powerful functionality of Oracle APEX 4.2. Each recipe is presented as a separate, standalone entity and the reading of other, prior recipes is not required. It can be seen as a reference and a practical guide to APEX development. This book is aimed both at developers new to the APEX environment and at intermediate developers. More advanced developers will also gain from the information at hand. If you are new to APEX you will find recipes to start development and if you are an experienced user you will find ways to improve your productivity and efficiency and make the most of APEX to enhance your applications. A little knowledge of PL/SQL, HTML and JavaScript is assumed.
Exploring Science Elsevier
 Presents the report "A Nation at Risk: The Imperative for Educational Reform," provided by the National Commission on Excellence in Education. Includes findings and recommendations about the U.S. educational system. Lists members of the Commission and includes the Commission's charter and a schedule of its events. Contains commissioned papers, hearing testimony, and other presentations to the Commission. Offers information on notable programs and lists acknowledgments. Provides information on ordering the printed version and offers access to an ASCII version of the document for downloading. Links to the U.S. Department of Education home page and related publications.