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The author teaches game design from concept to delivery through the creation of a sample game using a simple scripting language called Lua and a DX9 game shell. Techniques covered are applicable across the PC and game console platforms. Game design industry veterans reveal their secrets in sidebars throughout the book, and techniques are illustrated with b&w screen shots. The accompanying CD-ROM contains the demo game, a 2D game engine, Lua scripts, and other tools. Any sports marketing student or prospective sports marketer has to understand in detail genuine industry trends and be able to recognise solutions to real-world scenarios. Sports Marketing: A Practical Approach is the first textbook to offer a comprehensive, engaging and practice-focused bridge between academic theory and real-life, industry-based research and practice. Defining the primary role of the sports marketer as revenue generation, the book is structured around the three main channels through which this can be achieved — ticket sales, media and sponsorship — and explores key topics such as: Sports markets and business markets (b2b) Fan development Brand management Media audiences, rights and revenue Live sports events Sponsorship Merchandise and retail Integrating real industry-generated research into every chapter, the book also includes profiles of leading industry executives and guidance for

developing and preparing for a career in sports marketing. It goes further than any other sports marketing textbook in surveying the international sports market, including international cases and detailed profiles of international consumer and business markets throughout. A companion website offers multiple choice questions for students, editable short answer and essay questions, and lecture slides for instructors. No other textbook offers such a relevant, practice-focused overview of contemporary sports marketing. It is the ideal companion to any sports marketing course. The interdisciplinary team (IDT) approach is the most effective approach in complex physical rehabilitation - but implementing a successful IDT can be challenging. This new book will help readers to understand more about the variety of professions that contribute to successful IDT working and how team members work together for the benefit of the rehabilitation patient and their personalised goals. This is a comprehensive, practical, evidence-based guide to complex rehabilitation from an IDT perspective, exploring the dynamic and diverse roles and challenges of the team. The fifteen chapters are written by clinicians who are highly experienced across a range of disciplines and settings, from early acute rehabilitation to community rehabilitation. A Practical Approach to Interdisciplinary Complex Rehabilitation will be an invaluable resource for all members of the team, including medical, nursing, dietetics, neuropsychiatry, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, psychology, rehabilitation coordination, speech and language therapy, and vocational rehabilitation therapy. Covers a wide range of different complex rehabilitation settings and clinical conditions Reflective questions in each chapter to inform practice within an IDT User-friendly and easy to read Case studies explore how a successful IDT works in practice This Bayesian modeling book is intended for practitioners and applied statisticians looking for a self-contained entry to computational Bayesian statistics. Focusing on standard statistical models and backed up by discussed real datasets available from the book website, it provides an operational methodology for conducting Bayesian inference, rather than focusing on its theoretical justifications. Special attention is paid to the derivation of prior distributions in each case and specific reference solutions are given for each of the models. Similarly, computational details are worked out to lead the reader towards an effective programming of the methods given in the book. Pathophysiology: A Practical Approach, Second Edition is a must have text for teaching undergraduates the complex concepts related to pathophysiology. The Second edition offers an innovative, user-friendly approach to this subject and serves as a practical guide to pathophysiology. This text focuses on the most critical content taking the learner into

consideration and has been crafted in a unique manner which provides ease of reading and the use of colorful graphics to bring complex content to life. Pathophysiology: A Practical Approach, Second Edition features updated information resulting from research and current epidemiological trends. Additionally, the author incorporates a concept-based approach which aligns with the recommendations from both the Institute of Medicine and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to promote clinical reasoning and lifelong learning. Key pedagogical features of the text include: • Chapter Objectives • Key Terms • Learning Points • Myth Busters • Critical Cases (called "Application to Practice") • Chapter Summary • Learning Aids A Practical Approach to Fracture Mechanics provides a concise overview on the fundamental concepts of fracture mechanics, discussing linear elastic fracture mechanics, fracture toughness, ductile fracture, slow crack propagation, structural integrity, and more. The book outlines analytical and experimental methods for determining the fracture resistance of mechanical and structural components, also demonstrating the use of fracture mechanics in failure analysis, reinforcement of cracked structures, and remaining life estimation. The characteristics of crack propagation induced by fatigue, stress-corrosion, creep, and absorbed hydrogen are also discussed. The book concludes with a chapter on the structural integrity analysis of cracked components alongside a real integrity assessment. This book will be especially useful for students in mechanical, civil, industrial, metallurgical, aeronautical and chemical engineering, and for professional engineers looking for a refresher on core principles. Concisely outlines the underlying fundamentals of fracture mechanics, making physical concepts clear and simple and providing easily-understood applied examples Includes solved problems of the most common calculations, along with step-by-step procedures to perform widely-used methods in fracture mechanics Demonstrates how to determine stress intensity factors and fracture toughness, estimate crack growth rate, calculate failure load, and other methods and techniques Corrective and functional exercise is a rapidly advancing field. Exercise is an essential factor in all injury recovery, conditioning and performance, and if used correctly can play a preventative role in injury management. In the injured athlete, gym user or armchair athlete, corrective exercise can help to restore range of motion, re-build strength, endurance and power, re-establish neuromuscular control and balance, and provide positive progress for a specific sport or a healthier lifestyle. Written by an experienced specialist in the field of rehabilitative and performance exercise, this book provides an essential practical guide to corrective and functional exercise for every sports therapist

and fitness trainer, particularly those taking diplomas or NVQs at level 3. Packed with photos and illustrations, and full of accessible step-by-step explanations of the latest rehabilitative methods, every corrective and functional technique is covered in detail, from initial consultation to whole body exercises. This comprehensive, unified text on the principles and practice of clinical trials presents a detailed account of how to conduct the trials. It describes the design, analysis, and interpretation of clinical trials in a non-technical manner and provides a general perspective on their historical development, current status, and future strategy. Features examples derived from the author's personal experience. A Practical Approach to Family Law provides a clear picture of the law and practice relating to family proceedings in family proceedings courts, county courts, and the High Court. Its breadth of coverage and accessible style has made it an essential resource for students and practitioners alike. The ninth edition has been completely updated to take full account of recent developments, including the many significant changes brought about by the Family Procedure Rules 2010. The book also covers The Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Act 2007; changes to the Children Act, including enforcement of orders and risk assessment; new Practice Directions on domestic violence, media in court and McKenzie friends guidance; changes to ancillary relief since Miller and McFarlane; new material on pre-nuptial agreements; the replacement of the Child Support Agency; and changes to Legal Aid. Very much a practical guide, the book makes extensive use of examples and key documents to assist the busy practitioner and student. With additional advice on library, information, and professional development resources, A Practical Approach to Family Law provides real assistance in dealing with this dynamic area of law. The A Practical Approach series is the perfect partner for practice work. Each title focuses on one field of the law and provides a comprehensive overview of the subject together with clear, practical advice and tips on issues likely to arise in practice. The books are also an excellent resource for those new to the law, where the expert overview and clear layout promotes clarity and ease of understanding. Leading with Communication, by bestselling authors Teri and Michael Gamble, prepares today's students to acquire skills, develop a global perspective, and master the technology they need to enhance their visibility and credibility as leaders. Addressing leadership from the students' perspective, the book facilitates in readers the ability to nurture their leadership and team-building talents. The book's emphasis on skills, including its focus on developing the global and technological competencies that support the performance of leadership, promotes in students the ability to think critically and imaginatively. With this text, students will learn to communicate effectively as they also learn how to inspire confidence, foster innovation, and build an effective team. Project Management introduces students in a unique and accessible way to projectbased working as a means to tackle projects successfully. Not only in business circles, but also in the field of education, increasingly more activities are

performed using a projectbased approach. Consider for example comprehensive study assignments, internal projects and projects during work placement and the final stages of a degree. The line of approach of this book is practiceoriented. Based on assignments, groups of two to three students work on a project plan and an executive summary. Students can also opt for a 'real' assignment for a company or for one of the cases of the accompanying website. Added to this fifth edition are examples and illustrations, new sections about various subjects and a chapter about the flexible project approach Scrum. This new edition of this bestselling guide offers an integrated approach to process improvement that delivers quick and substantial results in quality and productivity in diverse settings. The authors explore their Model for Improvement that worked with international improvement efforts at multinational companies as well as in different industries such as healthcare and public agencies. This edition includes new information that shows how to accelerate improvement by spreading changes across multiple sites. The book presents a practical tool kit of ideas, examples, and applications. Fully updated and in line with latest specifications, this textbook integrates vehicle maintenance procedures, making it the indispensable first classroom and workshop text for all students of motor vehicle engineering, apprentices and keen amateurs. Its clear, logical approach, excellent illustrations and step-by-step development of theory and practice make this an accessible text for students of all abilities. With this book, students have information that they can trust because it is written by an experienced practitioner and lecturer in this area. This book will provide not only the information required to understand automotive engines but also background information that allows readers to put this information into context. The book contains flowcharts, diagnostic case studies, detailed diagrams of how systems operate and overview descriptions of how systems work. All this on top of step-by-step instructions and quick reference tables. Readers won't get bored when working through this book with questions and answers that aid learning and revision included. This book describes current examination techniques and advanced clinical applications of state-of-the-art multidetector computed tomography (MDCT) scanners. There are contributions from several distinguished radiologists and clinicians. Each chapter is written from a practical perspective, so that radiologists, residents, medical physicists, and radiology technologists can obtain relevant information about MDCT applications. This book is designed for a one-semester course in sedimentology taken by advanced undergraduate or graduate students. It gives detailed descriptions of sedimentary features and the analytical methods used to evaluate them and is intended to support and reinforce principles presented in lectures. Discussion of principles and processes is found in complimentary texts, such as Leeder's (1982) Sedimentology: process and product and selected readings in professional journals. This book is not an exhaustive treatise of laboratory techniques and theory. The subject matter includes topics generally covered in courses

entitled "Sedimentology" or "Sedimentation". Sandstone and carbonate petrography is commonly given in a separate course. Furthermore, this topic is covered in several current texts. For these reasons I have omitted petrographic methods, with the exception of those applying to heavy minerals. I have included a rather extensive discussion of heavies because this topic is generally lacking in most modern texts. Every course in sedimentology is highly individualistic and material covered varies with the interests, background, and point of view of the instructor. For these reasons some topics presented in this book are not necessarily covered in all courses. Similarly some instructors may find that their favorite topic is missing. I can only hope that this problem is minimal. Several chapters contain precise exercises to be completed by the student. Some must be done in the classroom, where specimens are available for study. Others may be done outside of the classroom. This book reflects the dramatic increase in the number of Raman spectrometers being sold to and used by non-expert practitioners. It contains coverage of Resonance Raman and SERS, two hot areas of Raman, in a form suitable for the non-expert. Builds Raman theory up in stages without overloading the reader with complex theory Includes two chapters on instrumentation and interpretation that shows how Raman spectra can be obtained and interpreted Explains the potential of using Raman spectroscopy in a wide variety of applications Includes detailed, but concise information and worked examples Written for students of aromatherapy, this book contains in-depth detail on the characteristics, chemistry, sourcing and application of essential oils. This text will appeal to law students and practitioners looking for a book that deals with the full range of ADR processes. It covers the core topics on the dispute resolution module for the BPTC. Its practical focus highlights the key processes and procedures for each topic. A Practical Approach to Alternative Dispute Resolution will appeal to law students and practitioners looking for a book that deals with the full range of ADR processes. This comprehensive book covers the core topics on the dispute resolution module for the BPTC. Its practical focus highlights the key processes and procedures for each topic. The book discusses the fundamentals of high-performance computing. The authors combine visualization, comprehensibility, and strictness in their material presentation, and thus influence the reader towards practical application and learning how to solve real computing problems. They address both key approaches to programming modern computing systems: multithreading-based parallelizing in shared memory systems, and applying message-passing technologies in distributed systems. The book is suitable for undergraduate and graduate students, and for researchers and practitioners engaged with high-performance computing systems. Each chapter begins with a theoretical part, where the relevant terminology is introduced along with the basic theoretical results and methods of parallel programming, and concludes with a list of test questions and problems of varying difficulty. The authors include many solutions and hints, and often sample code. Stereo EEG has

revolutionized the way invasive EEG explorations are performed, facilitating the assessment of more complex cases with increased precision, a lower surgical risk, and better patient outcomes. A Practical Approach to Stereo EEG is the first dedicated reference on stereoelectroencephalography written for trainees, physicians, and technologists involved in invasive EEG evaluation and monitoring. This go-to resource provides a practical overview of the concepts, methodology, technical requirements, and implantation strategies for common and uncommon surgical epilepsies amenable to stereo EEG. Including over three hundred detailed figures, anatomical drawings, and MRI correlations, this guidebook is an indispensable tool for anyone training, practicing, and teaching in the field. With chapters written by leading experts from around the world, the book is divided into 10 sections covering noninvasive evaluation, technical aspects, electrode planning, practical approach for specific epilepsies, surgical placement in adults and children, interpretation, brain mapping, surgical procedures, and outcomes. Chapters integrate highlighted key concepts with illustrative case examples throughout to enhance clinical applicability. Four detailed case discussions of specific epilepsy syndromes covered in the book are also available online to demonstrate the process of patient evaluation, surgical planning, and decision-making in a multidisciplinary patient management conference. A Practical Approach to Stereo EEG is the essential comprehensive clinical handbook for practitioners at any level of training or experience involved in invasive EEG evaluations or working at surgical epilepsy centers. Key Features: Covers all practical aspects of stereo EEG, including the methodology, technical requirements, and strategies to successfully perform and interpret invasive monitoring Highly illustrated cases are interwoven within chapters to heighten clinical use World-class contributors with global expertise provide hands-on experience in successful use of stereo EEG in complex situations Additional online chapter-based narrated cases discuss specific epilepsy syndromes HACCP: A Practical Approach, 3rd edition has been updated to include the current best practice and new developments in HACCP application since the last edition was published in 1998. This book is intended to be a compendium of up-to-date thinking and best practice approaches to the development, implementation, and maintenance of HACCP programs for food safety management. Introductory chapters set the scene and update the reader on developments on HACCP over the last 15 years. The preliminary stages of HACCP, including preparation and planning and system design, are covered first, followed by a consideration of food safety hazards and their control. Prerequisite program coverage has been significantly expanded in this new edition reflecting its development as a key support system for HACCP. The HACCP plan development and verification and maintenance chapters have also been substantially updated to reflect current practice and a new chapter on application within the food supply chain has been added. Appendices provide a new set of case studies of practical HACCP application

plus two new case studies looking at lessons learned through food safety incident investigation. Pathogen profiles have also been updated by experts to provide an up-to-date summary of pathogen growth and survival characteristics that will be useful to HACCP teams. The book is written both for those who are developing HACCP systems for the first time and for those who need to update, refresh and strengthen their existing systems. New materials and new tools to assist the HACCP team have been provided and the current situation on issues that are still undergoing international debate, such as operational prerequisite programs. All tools such as decision trees and record-keeping formats are provided to be of assistance and are not obligatory to successful HACCP. Readers are guided to choose those that are relevant to their situations and which they find are helpful in their HACCP endeavors. Trusted by generations of students and litigators, A Practical Approach to Civil Procedure is a classic text which guides you through the maze of procedural requirements utilized by the civil courts. Written by an expert in the field, and co-editor of Blackstone's Civil Practice, this book is unrivalled in its detail of the various stages of a civil claim, making it essential reading for students and newly qualified litigators alike. Taking a thoroughly practical focus throughout, the book charts the progress of a typical civil litigation claim, from funding litigation and issuing and serving proceedings, through to trial, enforcement, and appeal. Full coverage of alternative dispute resolution is also included. Relevant sampled documentation is featured throughout and introduces the reader to the forms and documents which will be encountered in practice, while key point summaries featured at the end of chapters highlight the essential points covered. Online Resources A range of web links to key related sources support students looking to read around the subject and develop their understanding. Now in its third edition, this core textbook provides students with a highly engaging and accessible introduction to the world of PR, covering diverse topics such as event planning, press releases, crisis management, ethics, managing your own PR agency and how to use social media effectively. The author draws on over 25 years of hands-on experience as a PR practitioner and lecturer to provide cutting-edge and insightful examples and debates relating to key contemporary issues, from Twitter-storms and whistleblowing, to the Ebola crisis and media relations in the White House. With information drawn from a wide range of international experts, the book offers case studies that cross continents and cover small, local and large multinational organisations, resulting in a truly global perspective. This new third edition has been comprehensively revised and updated throughout, equipping readers with the practical skills they need to succeed as a PR professional in the 21st century. Public Relations: A Practical Guide is a must-have companion for all those studying practitioner courses on public relations taught and accredited by PR professional organisations. It will be also be an essential textbook for undergraduate and postgraduate students studying introductory public relations modules

at universities. New to this Edition: - A more international perspective, illustrated by up-to-date examples and case studies covering companies such as Pepsi, Samsung, Shell and United Airlines, and countries including Germany, the UK, the USA, Australia, China, India, Nigeria, Greece and Ireland - A new and enhanced pedagogical framework, offering chapter introductions, practical case studies and 'What You've Learned' sections at the end of each chapter - Extensively updated from the second edition to include increased coverage of social media and the latest PR practices The field of emergency general surgery encompasses a wide array of surgical diseases, ranging from the simple to the complex. These diseases may include inflammatory, infectious, and hemorrhagic processes spanning the entire gastrointestinal tract. Complications of abdominal wall hernias, compartment syndromes, skin and soft tissue infections, and surgical diseases are significantly complex in special populations, including elderly, obese, pregnant, immunocompromised, and cirrhotic patients. This book covers emergency general surgery topics in a succinct, practical and understandable fashion. After reviewing the general principles in caring for the emergency general surgery patient, this text discusses current evidence and the best practices stratified by organ system, including esophageal, gastroduodenal, hepatobiliary and pancreatic, small and large bowel, anorectal, thoracic, and hernias. Chapters are written by experts in the field and present a logical, straightforward, and easy to understand approach to the emergency general surgery patient, as well as provide patient care algorithms where appropriate. Emergency General Surgery: A Practical Approach provides surgeons and surgery residents with a practical and evidence-based approach to diagnosing and managing a wide array of surgical diseases encountered on emergency general surgery call. This is a quick-access, pocket-sized guide to the diagnosis and treatment of all major movement disorders. Written for busy practitioners who need an immediate reference at the bedside, it presents medical, behavioral, surgical, and nonpharmacological approaches in an expanded outline and bulleted format. The revised and expanded second edition is divided into four convenient sections. The medical section provides a starting point for assessing and treating patients who present with a movement disorder and guides practitioners through the clinical presentation, diagnosis, and work up of all major disease categories. A new section on psychiatric issues delves into the behavioral features that typically manifest with Parkinson disease, Huntington disease, Tourette syndrome, and also covers conversion disorders with concomitant movement abnormalities. The surgical approach section has been completely updated to incorporate recent advances in functional neurosurgery including deep brain stimulation. The final section on non-pharmacologic therapies includes informative chapters on physical and occupational therapy, speech and swallowing evaluation and therapy, and nutrition. The second edition also incorporates new information about sleep-related movement disorders and covers treatment of Parkinson disease in greater depth. Loaded with tables,

algorithms, and flow charts that illustrate key concepts, outline management of disorders, and highlight important information about diagnosis and treatment, this book is a highly useful addition to the pockets of all clinicians who work with patients with movement disorders. Key Features: Completely revised and updated second edition of popular practical resource for busy clinicians Covers medical, psychiatric, surgical, and nonpharmacologic approaches to all types of movement disorders Written concisely in expanded outline, bullet-point format for quick access to information Emphasizes diagnosis, work-up, and treatment Packed with management algorithms, tables, and flow charts outlining drug dosing, side effects, and other therapeutic regimens Since the 1994 publication of HACCP: A practical approach, many changes have occurred in the world of food safety. A number of driving forces have converged, focusing more attention on the proper management of food safety. These forces have prompted a revision and expansion of HACCP: A practical approach. Fortunately, the authors have been able to come forth with this timely revision of their most useful and excellent work. Unquestionably, the most significant driving force for increased attention to food safety has been the continued surge in new food borne pathogens and the related illness outbreaks. Micro-organisms such as Salmonella typhimurium OT104, antibiotic-resistant Campylobacter jejuni, Cryptosporidium parvum and Cyclospora cayotensis were practically unknown in foods before 1994. However, most important in this regard has been the surge in major outbreaks of illness caused by Escherichia coli O157:H7 around the world. While it was originally found to be associated with dairy cattle, the ecological range of this pathogen is expanding. It is now a more frequent contaminant of raw animal foods and raw produce. The surge in new foodborne pathogens and illnesses has led to unprecedented media attention to the safety of the global food supply. As a result, consumers are more aware of the potential problems and are demanding safer foods. Government regulatory agencies in many countries have responded by developing regulations for food safety. Many of these regulations require that the HACCP system of food safety be used in the production of food. This book provides a practically-oriented introduction to high-level programming language implementation. It demystifies what goes on within a compiler and stimulates the reader's interest in compiler design, an essential aspect of computer science. Programming language analysis and translation techniques are used in many software application areas. A Practical Approach to Compiler Construction covers the fundamental principles of the subject in an accessible way. It presents the necessary background theory and shows how it can be applied to implement complete compilers. A step-by-step approach, based on a standard compiler structure is adopted, presenting up-to-date techniques and examples. Strategies and designs are described in detail to guide the reader in implementing a translator for a programming language. A simple high-level language, loosely based on C, is used to illustrate aspects of the compilation process. Code examples in C are included,

together with discussion and illustration of how this code can be extended to cover the compilation of more complex languages. Examples are also given of the use of the flex and bison compiler construction tools. Lexical and syntax analysis is covered in detail together with a comprehensive coverage of semantic analysis, intermediate representations, optimisation and code generation. Introductory material on parallelisation is also included. Designed for personal study as well as for use in introductory undergraduate and postgraduate courses in compiler design, the author assumes that readers have a reasonable competence in programming in any high-level language. Written by experts in the field of pharmacovigilance and patient safety, this concise resource provides a succinct, easy-to-digest overview of an increasingly critical area of medical safety. Drs. Thao Doan, Fabio Lievano, Mondira Bhattacharya, and Linda Scarazzini provide essential information for health care professionals, clinical researchers, and regulators who need a comprehensive, up-to-date source of information on the principles and practice of pharmacovigilance. A Practical Approach to Trauma: Empowering Interventions provides trauma counselors with effective guidelines that enhance skills and improve expertise in conducting empowering therapeutic interventions. Taking a practitioner's perspective, author Priscilla Dass-Brailsford focuses on practical application and skill building in an effort to understand the impact of extreme stress and violence on the human psyche. provides trauma counselors with effective guidelines that enhance skills and improve expertise in conducting empowering therapeutic interventions. Taking a practitioner's perspective, author Priscilla Dass-Brailsford focuses on practical application and skill building in an effort to understand the impact of extreme stress and violence on the human psyche. "Evidence Based Teaching presents a coherent, evidence based view of teaching and learning and presents some radical new methods that are known to greatly improve achievement. Evidence Based Teaching will help practically demonstrate how we should teach from the following sources: 1. School effectiveness and school improvement research 2. Best practice in University teaching 3. Best practice in FE teaching 4. Effect size studies carried out mainly in schools 5. Teaching Thinking skills 6. Multiple representations 7. Constructivism. Together these strategies, ideas and advice provide us with both general principles for teaching, and very specific methods, all of which can substantially improve teaching and few of which are in common use. This new, revised edition includes a variety of improvements to the text, as well as a fresh new design in line with its companion title, Teaching Today 4th edn."--Publisher's website. This book describes in detail how to do nearly 100 different exercises with free weights, machines and manual resistance with instructional photographs included. From fundamentals to advanced experiments and applications, this book explains how holography works. It guides students from simple optics to advanced topics in holography, following a practical approach using real-world materials. This proven university textbook contains exercises plus

solutions as well as instructions for more than 20 experiments. The second edition of this volume provides insight and practical illustrations on how modern statistical concepts and regression methods can be applied in medical prediction problems, including diagnostic and prognostic outcomes. Many advances have been made in statistical approaches towards outcome prediction, but a sensible strategy is needed for model development, validation, and updating, such that prediction models can better support medical practice. There is an increasing need for personalized evidence-based medicine that uses an individualized approach to medical decision-making. In this Big Data era, there is expanded access to large volumes of routinely collected data and an increased number of applications for prediction models, such as targeted early detection of disease and individualized approaches to diagnostic testing and treatment. Clinical Prediction Models presents a practical checklist that needs to be considered for development of a valid prediction model. Steps include preliminary considerations such as dealing with missing values; coding of predictors; selection of main effects and interactions for a multivariable model; estimation of model parameters with shrinkage methods and incorporation of external data; evaluation of performance and usefulness; internal validation; and presentation formatting. The text also addresses common issues that make prediction models suboptimal, such as small sample sizes, exaggerated claims, and poor generalizability. The text is primarily intended for clinical epidemiologists and biostatisticians. Including many case studies and publicly available R code and data sets, the book is also appropriate as a textbook for a graduate course on predictive modeling in diagnosis and prognosis. While practical in nature, the book also provides a philosophical perspective on data analysis in medicine that goes beyond predictive modeling. Updates to this new and expanded edition include: • A discussion of Big Data and its implications for the design of prediction models • Machine learning issues • More simulations with missing 'y' values • Extended discussion on between-cohort heterogeneity • Description of ShinyApp • Updated LASSO illustration • New case studies Vegetation Description and Data Analysis: A Practical Approach, Second Edition is a fully revised and up-dated edition of this key text. The book takes account of recent advances in the field whilst retaining the original reader-friendly approach to the coverage of vegetation description and multivariate analysis in the context of vegetation data and plant ecology. Since the publication of the hugely popular first edition there have been significant developments in computer hardware and software, new key journals have been established in the field and scope and application of vegetation description and analysis has become a truly global field. This new edition includes full coverage of new developments and technologies. This contemporary and comprehensive edition of this well-known and respected textbook will prove invaluable to undergraduate and graduate students in biological sciences, environmental science, geography, botany, agriculture, forestry and biological conservation. * Fully international

approach * Includes illustrative case studies throughout * Now with new material on: the nature of plant communities; transitional areas between plant communities; induction and deduction of plant ecology; diversity indices and dominance diversity curves; multivariate analysis in ecology. * Accessible, reader-friendly style * Now with new and improved illustrations Explaining the business, where it was, where it is now -- Getting started, building contacts and volunteerism -- Reading, writing, and speaking, and not just in English -- How and what to pitch -- Working in the colleges -- Working with a professional team -- Working with an individual sport and athlete -- The league publicity office -- Women's sports and athletics -- The press conference -- Crisis management -- Promoting sports in a global environment -- The agency side -- What's next? : the new age of sports PR. Industry and commerce use vast amounts of water and in some parts of the world water is becoming a scarce commodity. We need to take more care in our future use of water, and this book is a 'best practice' manual for industrial and commercial users world-wide. It offers a practical account of the measures which can be taken to re-educate industrial and commercial users in the techniques of water saving and re-

use anywhere in the world. The principles are covered in detail and supported by examples from specific industries and commercial operations. Author Mohan Seneviratne is Manager of Sydney Water's 'Every Drop Counts Business Program', which won the prestigious 2006 Stockholm Industry Water Award in recognition of how the utility is working in partnership with business, industry and government to help ensure the long-term sustainability of Sydney's water supply. * The first book to cover water conservation for industrial users from processing plants to pubs and clubs * Provides practical advice on implementing water conservation for users in various industry sectors * Written by a practicing water conservation consultant The process of developing predictive models includes many stages. Most resources focus on the modeling algorithms but neglect other critical aspects of the modeling process. This book describes techniques for finding the best representations of predictors for modeling and for finding the best subset of predictors for improving model performance. A variety of example data sets are used to illustrate the techniques along with R programs for reproducing the results. Your guide to excelling

in the complex role of a special education administrator The job of the administrator of special education is arguably one of the most difficult in a school district—and that complexity can be overwhelming. It requires an aspect of every administrative job in the district, including budgets, human resources, student advocacy, and curriculum and assessment. Written by two veteran special education administrators with more than 100 years of combined experience, this book shows current and aspiring special education administrators how to excel in the many demanding areas of their position, allowing them to be effective administrators and educational leaders. Among the many topics included in the book are The importance of visibility in the form of face-to-face interactions to assist staff, students, and building principals The importance of parents in the process The significance of confidentiality, due process, program development, and working with advocates Insight into decision-making and relationship-building A critical tool in any special education administrator's box, as well as building administrators, central office administrators and school committee members, this book provides practical and friendly advice for a difficult but critical job.