

Sigma Math Contest

Suggested level: senior secondary.

This cutting-edge volume is the first book that provides you with practical guidance on the use of medical device data for bioinformatics modeling purposes. You learn how to develop original methods for communicating with medical devices within healthcare enterprises and assisting with bedside clinical decision making. The book guides in the implementation and use of clinical decision support methods within the context of electronic health records in the hospital environment. This highly valuable reference also teaches budding biomedical engineers and bioinformaticists the practical benefits of using medical device data. Supported with over 100 illustrations, this all-in-one resource discusses key concepts in detail and then presents clear implementation examples to give you a complete understanding of how to use this knowledge in the field.

An anthology of the finest science fiction stories of 2012 features the work of both new and established writers, including contributions by Megan Lindholm, Andy Duncan, C.S. Friedman, and Tony Ballantyne. This is a challenging problem-solving book in Euclidean geometry, assuming nothing of the reader other than a good deal of courage. Topics covered included cyclic quadrilaterals, power of a point, homothety, triangle centers; along the way the reader will meet such classical gems as the nine-point circle, the Simson line, the symmedian and the mixtilinear incircle, as well as the theorems of Euler, Ceva, Menelaus, and Pascal. Another part is dedicated to the use of complex numbers and barycentric coordinates, granting the reader both a traditional and computational viewpoint of the material. The final part consists of some more advanced topics, such as inversion in the plane, the cross ratio and projective transformations, and the theory of the complete quadrilateral. The exposition is friendly and relaxed, and accompanied by over 300 beautifully drawn figures. The emphasis of this book is placed squarely on the problems. Each chapter contains carefully chosen worked examples, which explain not only the solutions to the problems but also describe in close detail how one would invent the solution to begin with. The text contains a selection of 300 practice problems of varying difficulty from contests around the world, with extensive hints and selected solutions. This book is especially suitable for students preparing for national or international mathematical olympiads or for teachers looking for a text for an honor class.

The first of a two volume set on novel methods in harmonic analysis, this book draws on a number of original research and survey papers from well-known specialists detailing the latest innovations and recently discovered links between various fields. Along with many deep theoretical results, these volumes contain numerous applications to problems in signal processing, medical imaging, geodesy, statistics, and data science. The chapters within cover an impressive range of ideas from both traditional and modern harmonic analysis, such as: the Fourier transform, Shannon sampling, frames, wavelets, functions on Euclidean spaces, analysis on function spaces of Riemannian and sub-Riemannian manifolds, Fourier analysis on manifolds and Lie groups, analysis on combinatorial graphs, sheaves, co-sheaves, and persistent homologies on topological spaces. Volume I is organized around the theme of frames and other bases in abstract and function spaces, covering topics such as: The advanced development of frames, including Sigma-Delta quantization for fusion frames, localization of frames, and frame conditioning, as well as applications to distributed sensor networks, Galerkin-like representation of operators, scaling on graphs, and dynamical sampling. A systematic approach to shearlets with applications to wavefront sets and function spaces. Prolate and generalized prolate functions, spherical Gauss-Laguerre basis functions, and radial basis functions. Kernel methods, wavelets, and frames on compact and non-compact manifolds.

Lean transformations are decidedly more challenging when the math is inconsistent with lean principles, misapplied, or just plain wrong. Math should never get in the way of a lean transformation, but instead should facilitate it. Lean Math is the indispensable reference for this very purpose. A single, comprehensive source, the book presents standard and specialized approaches to tackling the math required of lean and six sigma practitioners across all industries—seasoned and newly minted practitioners alike. Lean Math features more than 160 thoughtfully organized entries. Ten chapters cover system-oriented math, time, the “-ilities” (availability, repeatability, stability, etc.), work, inventory, performance metrics, basic math and hypothesis testing, measurement, experimentation, and more. Two appendices cover standard work for analyzing data and understanding and dealing with variation. Practitioners will quickly locate the precise entry(ies) that is relevant to the problem or continuous improvement opportunity at hand. Each entry not only provides background on the related lean principles, formulas, examples, figures, and tables, but also tips, cautions, cross-references to other associated entries, and the occasional “Gemba Tale” that shares real-world experiences. The book consistently encourages the practitioner to engage in math-assisted plan-do-check-act (PDCA) cycles, employing approaches that include simulation and “trystorming.” Lean Math truly transcends the “numbers” by reinforcing and refreshing lean thinking for the very purpose of Figuring to Improve. REVIEWER COMMENTS “Hamel and O’Connor provide both the novice and experienced lean practitioner a comprehensive, common-sense reference for lean math. For example, I know that our Lean Support Office team would have gladly used dozens of Lean Math entries during a recent lean management system pilot. The concepts, context, and examples would have certainly helped our execution and provided greater clarity during our training activities. Lean Math is a must have book for Lean Support Office people!” —Dave Pienta, Director, Lean Support Office, Moog, Inc. Aircraft Group “A practical math book may sound like an oxymoron, but Lean Math is both pragmatic and accessible. Hamel and O’Connor do an excellent job keeping the math as simple as possible, while bringing lean principles to the forefront of the discussion. The use of insurance and healthcare industry examples especially helps simplify the translation for lean practitioners in non-manufacturing industries. Readers will be able to use the numerous tables and figures to clearly illustrate and teach lean concepts to others. Lean Math is a reference book that every lean practitioner or Black Belt should have in their library!” —Peter Barnett, MBB, Liberty Management System Architect, Liberty Mutual Insurance “Lean Math is a comprehensive reference book within which the lean practitioner can quickly find straightforward examples illustrating how to perform almost any lean calculation. Equally useful, it imparts the importance of the relevant lean principal(s). While coaching some recent transformation efforts, I put Lean Math to the test by asking several novice practitioners to reference it during their work. They were promptly rewarded with deeper insight and effectiveness—a reflection of this book’s utility and value to the lean practitioner.” —Greg Lane, international lean transformation coach, speaker, and author of three books including, “Made-to-Order Lean: Excelling in a High-Mix, Low-Volume Environment” “While the technical, social, and management sciences behind lean must be learned by doing, their conceptual bases are absolutely validated by the math. This validation is particularly crucial to overcoming common blind spots ingrained by traditional practice. Hamel and O’Connor’s text is a comprehensive and readable resource for lean implementers at all levels who are seeking a deeper understanding of lean tools and systems. Clear diagrams and real-world examples create a bridge for readers between theory and practice—theory proven by practice. If math is the language of science, then Lean Math is indeed the language of lean science.” —Bruce Hamilton, President, Greater Boston Manufacturing Partnership, Director Emeritus for the Shingo Institute “Mark and Michael have done a tremendous service for the lean community by tackling this daunting subject. There are so many ways to quantify value, display improvement, and define complex problems that choosing the right methods and measures becomes an obstacle to progress. Lean Math helps remove that obstacle. Almost daily, operations leaders in every industry need the practical math and lean guidance in these pages. Now, finally, we have it in one place. Thank you.” —Zane Ferry, Executive Director, National Operations, QMS Continuous Improvement, Quest Diagnostics “Too many lean books dwell on principles, but offer little to address critical how-to questions, such as, ‘How do I use these concepts

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to solve my specific problem?' With plain English explanations, simple illustrations, and examples across industries, Lean Math bridges a long-standing gap. Hamel and O'Connor's Lean Math is sure to become a must-have reference for every lean practitioner working to improve performance in any modern workplace." —Jeff Fuchs, Executive Director, Maryland World Class Consortia, Past Chairman, Lean Certification Oversight Committee "Lean Math fills a huge gap in the continuous improvement library, helping practitioners to translate data, activities, and ideas into meaningful information for effective experimentation and intelligent decisions. This reference comes at a critical time for the healthcare industry as we struggle to improve quality, while controlling costs. Though we don't make widgets, our people, processes, and patients will benefit from the tools provided in this reference. The numerous examples, as well as the Gemba Tales scattered throughout the book, bring life to the principles and formulas. Lean Math is impressive in both scope and presentation of content." —Tim Pettry, Senior Process Improvement Specialist, Cleveland Clinic "Lean Math is a great book for those times when only the correct answer will do. The math, along with the Gemba Tales, are helpful for those in the midst of the technical aspects of a transformation, as well as those of us who once knew much of this but haven't used it in a while." —Beau Keyte, organization transformation and performance improvement coach, author of two Shingo-Award winning books: "The Complete Lean Enterprise" and "Perfecting Patient Journeys" "Math and numbers aren't exclusively the domain of six sigma! Toyota leaders describe lean as an organizational culture, a managerial approach, and a philosophy. They also maintain that the last piece of lean is technical methods, which includes the math we need for properly sizing inventory levels, validating hypotheses, gauging improvement, and more. Lean Math is a useful book that compiles important mathematical and quantitative methods that complement the people side of lean. Hamel and O'Connor are extremely qualified to deftly explain these methods. Lest you think it's a dry math text, there are Gemba Tales and examples from multiple industries, including healthcare, which illustrate these approaches in very relatable ways." —Mark Graban, Shingo-Award winning author, speaker, consultant, and blogger "When you begin a lean journey, it's like starting an exercise regimen—the most important thing is to start. But as you mature, and as you achieve higher levels of excellence, rigor becomes increasingly important. Lean Math provides easy, elegant access to the necessary rigor required for effective measurement and analysis and does so in practical terms with excellent examples." —Misael Cabrera, PE, Director, Arizona Department Environmental Quality

This textbook, suitable for an early undergraduate up to a graduate course, provides an overview of many basic principles and techniques needed for modern data analysis. In particular, this book was designed and written as preparation for students planning to take rigorous Machine Learning and Data Mining courses. It introduces key conceptual tools necessary for data analysis, including concentration of measure and PAC bounds, cross validation, gradient descent, and principal component analysis. It also surveys basic techniques in supervised (regression and classification) and unsupervised learning (dimensionality reduction and clustering) through an accessible, simplified presentation. Students are recommended to have some background in calculus, probability, and linear algebra. Some familiarity with programming and algorithms is useful to understand advanced topics on computational techniques.

This book discusses the interplay of stochastics (applied probability theory) and numerical analysis in the field of quantitative finance. The stochastic models, numerical valuation techniques, computational aspects, financial products, and risk management applications presented will enable readers to progress in the challenging field of computational finance. When the behavior of financial market participants changes, the corresponding stochastic mathematical models describing the prices may also change. Financial regulation may play a role in such changes too. The book thus presents several models for stock prices, interest rates as well as foreign-exchange rates, with increasing complexity across the chapters. As is said in the industry, 'do not fall in love with your favorite model.' The book covers equity models before moving to short-rate and other interest rate models. We cast these models for interest rate into the Heath-Jarrow-Morton framework, show relations between the different models, and explain a few interest rate products and their pricing. The chapters are accompanied by exercises. Students can access solutions to selected exercises, while complete solutions are made available to instructors. The MATLAB and Python computer codes used for most tables and figures in the book are made available for both print and e-book users. This book will be useful for people working in the financial industry, for those aiming to work there one day, and for anyone interested in quantitative finance. The topics that are discussed are relevant for MSc and PhD students, academic researchers, and for quants in the financial industry.

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Computational physics is a rapidly growing subfield of computational science, in large part because computers can solve previously intractable problems or simulate natural processes that do not have analytic solutions. The next step beyond Landau's First Course in Scientific Computing and a follow-up to Landau and Páez's Computational Physics, this text presents a broad survey of key topics in computational physics for advanced undergraduates and beginning graduate students, including new discussions of visualization tools, wavelet analysis, molecular dynamics, and computational fluid dynamics. By treating science, applied mathematics, and computer science together, the book reveals how this knowledge base can be applied to a wider range of real-world problems than computational physics texts normally address. Designed for a one- or two-semester course, A Survey of Computational Physics will also interest anyone who wants a reference on or practical experience in the basics of computational physics. Accessible to advanced undergraduates Real-world problem-solving approach Java codes and applets integrated with text Companion Web site includes videos of lectures

Perspectives in Computation covers three broad topics: the computation process & its limitations; the search for computational efficiency; & the role of quantum mechanics in computation. This is the first English translation of Thomas Harriot's seminal Artis Analyticae Praxis, first published in Latin in 1631. It has recently become clear that Harriot's editor substantially rearranged the work, and omitted sections beyond his comprehension. Commentary included with this translation relates to corresponding pages in the manuscript papers, enabling exploration of Harriot's novel and advanced mathematics. This publication provides the basis for a reassessment of the development of algebra.

At last researchers have an inexpensive library of Java-based numeric procedures for use in scientific computation. The first and only book of its kind, A Numeric Library in Java for Scientists

and Engineers is a translation into Java of the library NUMAL (NUMerical procedures in ALgol 60). This groundbreaking text presents procedural descriptions for linear algebra, ordinary and partial differential equations, optimization, parameter estimation, mathematical physics, and other tools that are indispensable to any dynamic research group. The book offers test programs that allow researchers to execute the examples provided; users are free to construct their own tests and apply the numeric procedures to them in order to observe a successful computation or simulate failure. The entry for each procedure is logically presented, with name, usage parameters, and Java code included. This handbook serves as a powerful research tool, enabling the performance of critical computations in Java. It stands as a cost-efficient alternative to expensive commercial software package of procedural components.

Five stories inspired by the same painting. Contributors include Gene Wolfe, L. E. Modesitt, Jr., Gregory Benford, Michael Swanwick, and James Morrow. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The ARML (American Regions Math League) Power Contest is truly a unique competition in which a team of students is judged on its ability to discover a pattern, express the pattern in precise mathematical language, and provide a logical proof of its conjectures. Just as a team of students can be self-directed to solve each problem set, a teacher, math team coach, or math circle leader could take these ideas and questions and lead students into problem solving and mathematical discovery. This book contains thirty-seven interesting and engaging problem sets from the ARML Power Contests from 1994 to 2013. They are generally extensions of the high school mathematics classroom and often connect two remote areas of mathematics. Additionally, they provide meaningful problem situations for both the novice and the veteran mathlete. Thomas Kilkelly has been a mathematics teacher for forty-three years. During that time he has been awarded several teaching honors and has coached many math teams to state and national championships. He has always been an advocate for more discovery, integration, and problem solving in the mathematics classroom. In the interest of fostering a greater awareness and appreciation of mathematics and its connections to other disciplines and everyday life, MSRI and the AMS are publishing books in the Mathematical Circles Library series as a service to young people, their parents and teachers, and the mathematics profession. Titles in this series are co-published with the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute (MSRI).

Ludwig Faddeev is widely recognized as one of the titans of 20th century mathematical physics. His fundamental contributions to scattering theory, quantum gauge theories, and the theory of classical and quantum completely integrable systems played a key role in shaping modern mathematical physics. Ludwig Faddeev's major achievements include the solution of the three-body problem in quantum mechanics, the mathematical formulation of quantum gauge theories and corresponding Feynman rules, Hamiltonian and algebraic methods in mathematical physics, with applications to gauge theories with anomalies, quantum systems with constraints and solitons, the discovery of the algebraic structure of classical and quantum integrable systems and quantum groups, and solitons with the topology of knots. Faddeev's name is imprinted in many areas of mathematics and theoretical physics, including "Faddeev's equations" and "Faddeev's Green function" in scattering theory, "Faddeev-Popov ghosts" and "Faddeev-Popov determinant" in gauge theories, "Gardner-Faddeev-Zakharov bracket" for the KdV equation, "Faddeev-Zamolodchikov algebra" in quantum integrable systems, "Faddeev-Reshetikhin-Takhtajan construction" in the theory of quantum groups, knotted solitons in the "Skyrme-Faddeev model" and many others. Ludwig Faddeev founded the St. Petersburg school of modern mathematical physics and distinguished himself by serving the mathematics community for over three decades including his leadership of the International Mathematical Union in the period of 1986-1990. He was conferred numerous prizes and memberships of prestigious institutions in recognition of the importance of his work. These include the Dannie Heineman Prize for Mathematical Physics, the Dirac Medal, the Max Planck Medal, the Shaw Prize and the Lomonosov Gold Medal among others. A gathering of contributions from some of the biggest names in mathematics and physics, this volume serves as a tribute to this legendary figure. Volume contributors include: Fields medalist Sir Michael Atiyah, Jürg Fröhlich, Roman Jackiw, Vladimir Korepin, Nikita Nekrasov, André Neveu, Alexander M Polyakov, Samson Shatashvili, Fedor Smirnov as well as Nobel laureates Frank Wilczek and C N Yang. "Ludwig and I had been good friends since the early 1970s. We had overlapping interests in several areas of physics. He was very powerful mathematically. I had written in several places that he should have shared the 1999 Nobel Prize in Physics with 't Hooft and Veltman" C N Yang, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1997 in Seoul. Faddeev with Baxter and Yang. 2005 in Tsinghua University. Left to right: Faddeev, Yang, Niemi and Ge.

A categorized compilation of favorite posts from the Evolving Excellence blog, *Evolving Excellence: Thoughts on Lean Enterprise Leadership* offers different-even outright contradictory-viewpoints that explore various aspects of lean enterprise excellence. In the shared desire to see American manufacturing thrive, authors Kevin Meyer and Bill Waddell have poured their knowledge, opinions, and ideas into their blog for the past two years. Sometimes tongue in cheek, usually provocative, occasionally humorous, but always passionate, they point out the failures of companies, organizations, and individuals in the manufacturing industry while also lauding those that understand true excellence. In *Evolving Excellence*, you'll find a bevy of different topics including: · Learning from the masters of lean manufacturing · Life, liberty, and the pursuit of manufacturing · The false god of the almighty algorithm · Looking lean vs. being lean · The impending global struggle between workers and management "If you love manufacturing then we hope you're reading *Evolving Excellence*. It's a must-read for manufacturers and those who dream."-Pat Cleary, Senior Vice President, National Association of Manufacturers "The authors are knowledgeable and they tell it like it is."-Bob Emiliani, author of Shingo Prize winning *Better Thinking, Better Results* *Evolving Excellence* also includes a glossary of popular terms and a list of resources to help further your knowledge of excellence in manufacturing. Delve into this amazing collection, and discover the different facets of lean enterprise leadership!

The conference String-Math 2014 was held from June 9–13, 2014, at the University of Alberta. This edition of String-Math is the first to include satellite workshops: "String-Math Summer School" (held from June 2–6, 2014, at the University of British Columbia), "Calabi-Yau Manifolds and their Moduli" (held from June 14–18, 2014, at the University of Alberta), and "Quantum Curves and Quantum Knot Invariants" (held from June 16–20, 2014, at the Banff International Research Station). This volume presents the proceedings of the conference and satellite workshops. For mathematics, string theory has been a source of many significant inspirations, ranging from Seiberg-Witten theory in four-manifolds, to enumerative geometry and Gromov-Witten theory in algebraic geometry, to work on the Jones polynomial in knot theory, to recent progress in the geometric Langlands program and the development of derived algebraic geometry and n-category theory. In the other direction, mathematics has provided physicists with powerful tools, ranging from powerful differential geometric techniques for solving or analyzing key partial differential equations, to toric geometry, to K-theory and derived categories in D-branes, to the analysis of Calabi-Yau manifolds and string compactifications, to modular forms and other arithmetic techniques. Articles in this book address many of these topics.

Upon publication, the first edition of the CRC Concise Encyclopedia of Mathematics received overwhelming accolades for its unparalleled scope, readability, and utility. It soon took its place among the top selling books in the history of Chapman & Hall/CRC, and its popularity continues unabated. Yet also unabated has been the d

This is a tutorial-style book that helps you to perform Geospatial and GIS analysis with Python and its tools/libraries. This book will first introduce various Python-related tools/packages in the initial chapters before moving towards practical usage, examples, and implementation in specialized kinds of Geospatial data analysis. This book is for anyone who wants to understand digital mapping and analysis and who uses Python or another scripting language for automation or crunching data manually. This book primarily targets Python developers, researchers, and analysts who want to perform Geospatial, modeling, and

GIS analysis with Python.

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If you are an undergraduate or graduate student, a beginner to algorithmic development and research, or a software developer in the financial industry who is interested in using Python for quantitative methods in finance, this is the book for you. It would be helpful to have a bit of familiarity with basic Python usage, but no prior experience is required.

Back by popular demand, we are pleased to reissue this outstanding collection of problems and solutions from the Putnam Competitions covering the years 1938-1964. Problemists the world over, including all past and future Putnam Competitors, will revel in mastering the difficulties posed by this collection of problems from the first 25 William Lowell Putnam Competitions.

Solutions to all 347 problems are given. In some cases multiple solutions are included, some which contestants could reasonably be expected to find under examination conditions, and others which are more elegant or utilize more sophisticated techniques. Valuable references and historical comments on many of the problems are presented. The book concludes with four articles on the Putnam competition written by G. Birkhoff, L. E. Bush, L. J. Mordell, and L. M. Kelly which are reprinted from the American Mathematical Monthly. There is great appeal here for all; teachers, students, and all those who love good problems and see them as an entree to beautiful and powerful ideas.

If you know how to program with Python and also know a little about probability, you're ready to tackle Bayesian statistics. With this book, you'll learn how to solve statistical problems with Python code instead of mathematical notation, and use discrete probability distributions instead of continuous mathematics. Once you get the math out of the way, the Bayesian fundamentals will become clearer, and you'll begin to apply these techniques to real-world problems. Bayesian statistical methods are becoming more common and more important, but not many resources are available to help beginners. Based on undergraduate classes taught by author Allen Downey, this book's computational approach helps you get a solid start. Use your existing programming skills to learn and understand Bayesian statistics Work with problems involving estimation, prediction, decision analysis, evidence, and hypothesis testing Get started with simple examples, using coins, M&Ms, Dungeons & Dragons dice, paintball, and hockey Learn computational methods for solving real-world problems, such as interpreting SAT scores, simulating kidney tumors, and modeling the human microbiome.

'Football looked at in a very different way' Pat Nevin, former Chelsea and Everton star and football media analyst Football – the most mathematical of sports. From shot statistics and league tables to the geometry of passing and managerial strategy, the modern game is filled with numbers, patterns and shapes. How do we make sense of them? The answer lies in the mathematical models applied in biology, physics and economics. Soccermaths brings football and mathematics together in a mind-bending synthesis, using numbers to help reveal the inner workings of the beautiful game. This new and expanded edition analyses the current big-name players and teams using mathematics, and meets the professionals working inside football who use numbers and statistics to boost performance. Welcome to the world of mathematical modelling, expressed brilliantly by David Sumpter through the prism of football. No matter who you follow – from your local non-league side to the big boys of the Premiership, La Liga, the Bundesliga, Serie A or the MLS – you'll be amazed at what mathematics has to teach us about the world's favourite sport.

This short reference book contains fundamental concepts crucial to solving math competition problems such as those found on the Mathematical Association of America's AMC 10, AMC 12, and AIME, as well as those found in local or regional competitions. Full of formulas as well as examples and solutions, this book shows how specific problems can be best solved in order to succeed in math competitions. Content is organized by mathematical topic and has been selected for its diversity. Topics include Number Theory, Combinatorics, Probability, Statistics, Sequences and Series, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, and Coordinate Mathematics. The book even contains a section containing the author's own tips from past experience in math competitions. All in all, this is a must buy for math competition participants and teachers alike. Contains: Nine Chapters, Table of Contents, Index.

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The discovery of calculus in the seventeenth century by Isaac Newton and Gottfried Leibniz, helped usher in a revolution in mathematics and science that had a profound and far-reaching effect on the world. Calculus provided a powerful tool that enabled the fledgling science of physics to break new ground in our understanding of the workings of the natural universe. Indeed, calculus is virtually synonymous with physics as it is the mathematics of infinitesimal change. As the world about us appears to be a continuity punctuated by discrete things, then calculus is vital in understanding the behavior of a quantitative change relative to another, from one instant to the next. The intellectual endeavor of mathematics can be thought of as a tree, with calculus one of its boughs. This bough consisting of two major branches, one entwined about the other-differentiation and integration. This book focuses on the discovery, methods and applications of the mathematics of differentiation. Differential calculus, as opposed to integral calculus, considers variable quantitative relationships to one another in the form of tangents. Techniques in Differentiation is based on material written for high school calculus students. However, the book is suitable for any elementary calculus student at either high school or university level. It aims

to give calculus students a deeper understanding of the subject. This is achieved by, in part, providing more historical background and development than is offered by most calculus textbooks. A common failing of many technical textbooks is to skim over mathematical workings that get to some result. Mathematical and scientific textbooks typically assume the student has the required mathematical skill to provide the missing details for themselves. This is an ongoing major complaint of students and can make the study of a mathematics textbook particularly frustrating. The author of *Techniques in Differentiation* in contrast, provides detailed line-by-line working in proofs and examples. Another complaint of mathematics students is textbooks that provide too few exercises, or overly simple questions with which to practice. The author provides a large number of exercise questions, ranging in level of difficulty from easy to challenging. In addition, *Techniques in Differentiation* includes the answers to all the questions in the exercises at the end of each chapter. It is particularly irksome when a textbook does not provide answers to exercises—students find it frustrating when they are unable to see if they have adequately mastered the concepts and techniques outlined in a mathematics book. The dedicated student will find in calculus a powerful analytical tool with applications in the physical sciences, engineering and technology. And like all areas of mathematics, it can also be appreciated for its own inherent beauty. *Techniques in Differentiation* will provide mathematics students with the technical skills with which to explore and appreciate calculus and its applications.

Practical C++ Financial Programming is a hands-on book for programmers wanting to apply C++ to programming problems in the financial industry. The book explains those aspects of the language that are more frequently used in writing financial software, including the STL, templates, and various numerical libraries. The book also describes many of the important problems in financial engineering that are part of the day-to-day work of financial programmers in large investment banks and hedge funds. The author has extensive experience in the New York City financial industry that is now distilled into this handy guide. Focus is on providing working solutions for common programming problems. Examples are plentiful and provide value in the form of ready-to-use solutions that you can immediately apply in your day-to-day work. You'll learn to design efficient, numerical classes for use in finance, as well as to use those classes provided by Boost and other libraries. You'll see examples of matrix manipulations, curve fitting, histogram generation, numerical integration, and differential equation analysis, and you'll learn how all these techniques can be applied to some of the most common areas of financial software development. These areas include performance price forecasting, optimizing investment portfolios, and more. The book style is quick and to-the-point, delivering a refreshing view of what one needs to master in order to thrive as a C++ programmer in the financial industry. Covers aspects of C++ especially relevant to financial programming. Provides working solutions to commonly-encountered problems in finance. Delivers in a refreshing and easy style with a strong focus on the practical.

Presents introductory and advanced topics in the field of computer graphics with mathematical descriptions and derivations. This book offers a balance of theory, applications, and code, and derives the underlying numerical methods and algorithms. It contains the classes in C# necessary for computer graphics, and offers an explanation of the code. Data science libraries, frameworks, modules, and toolkits are great for doing data science, but they're also a good way to dive into the discipline without actually understanding data science. With this updated second edition, you'll learn how many of the most fundamental data science tools and algorithms work by implementing them from scratch. If you have an aptitude for mathematics and some programming skills, author Joel Grus will help you get comfortable with the math and statistics at the core of data science, and with hacking skills you need to get started as a data scientist. Today's messy glut of data holds answers to questions no one's even thought to ask. This book provides you with the know-how to dig those answers out.

A practical guide to solving signal integrity problems using s-parameters.

In *Left Behind*, a team of education scholars led by Edward P. St. John argues that American cities have been engaged for the past three decades in a radical—but failing—effort to transform general and vocational high schools into college preparatory institutions. By examining the educational reforms in four urban charter schools across the United States and four public high schools in New York City, *Left Behind* reveals how educators contend with the challenge of developing new courses while providing social support for students to build college-going cultures. The research shows that district schools struggle to comply with standards that leave little room to develop advanced thematic curricula and that charter schools have not succeeded in substantially raising student test scores. Many students who start in rigorous charter schools transfer back to public schools while both public and charter schools struggle to prepare their students for college-level work. *Left Behind* provides crucial insights into the troubling trajectory of public policy while offering teachers and administrators effective strategies for overcoming barriers.

“A fascinating plunge into a new world. I loved the idea of the SETI Library on the moon. Chasing wormholes is also a wild ride!” —Jack McDevitt, bestselling author of *Octavia*
Gone *Shadows of Eternity* is legendary author Gregory Benford's return to interstellar science fiction as a discovery within the SETI library on the moon turns out to be deadly. *Shadows of Eternity* is a novel set two centuries from now. Humanity has established a SETI library on the moon to decipher and interpret the many messages from alien societies we have discovered. The most intriguing messages are from complete artificial intelligences. Ruth, a beginner Librarian, must talk to alien minds—who have aggressive agendas of their own. She opens doors into strangeness beyond imagination—and in her quest for understanding nearly gets killed doing it. Gregory Benford is one of science fiction's iconic writers, having been nominated for four Hugo Awards and twelve Nebula Awards. *Shadows of Eternity* marks Gregory Benford's return to the sweeping galactic science fiction that readers have been waiting for.

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