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Generative Art - Matt Pearson 2011-06-29 Summary Generative Art presents both

the technique and the beauty of algorithmic art. The book includes high-quality examples of generative

art, along with the specific programmatic steps author and artist Matt Pearson followed to create each unique piece using the Processing programming language. About the Technology Artists have always explored new media, and computerbased artists are no exception. Generative art, a technique where the artist creates print or onscreen images by using computer algorithms, finds the artistic intersection of programming, computer graphics, and individual expression. The book includes a tutorial on Processing, an open source programming language and environment for people who want to create images, animations, and interactions. About the Book Generative Art presents both the techniques and the beauty of algorithmic art. In it, you'll find dozens of high-quality examples of generative art, along with the specific steps the author followed to create each unique piece using the

Processing programming language. The book includes concise tutorials for each of the technical components required to create the book's images, and it offers countless suggestions for how you can combine and reuse the various techniques to create your own works. Purchase of the print book comes with an offer of a free PDF, ePub, and Kindle eBook from Manning. Also available is all code from the book. What's Inside The principles of algorithmic art A Processing language tutorial Using organic, pseudorandom, emergent, and fractal processes

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Ruby by Example - Kevin C. Baird 2007-06-01

There may be no better way to learn how to program than by dissecting real, representative examples written in your language of choice. Ruby by Example analyzes a series of Ruby scripts, examining how the code works, explaining the concepts it illustrates, and showing how to modify it to suit your needs. Baird's examples demonstrate key features of the language (such as inheritance, encapsulation, higher-order functions, and recursion), while simultaneously solving difficult problems (such as validating XML, creating a bilingual program, and creating command-line interfaces). Each chapter builds upon the previous, and each key concept is highlighted in the margin to make it easier for you to navigate the book. You'll learn how to: -Use the interactive Ruby shell (irb) to learn key features of the language -Extend

Ruby using RubyGems, the Ruby package manager -Create numerical utilities, as well as utilities that process and analyze HTML/XML -Implement purely functional and metaprogramming techniques to save time and effort -Optimize, profile, and test your code to make sure that it not only does its job, but does it well -Create web applications using Rails Ruby is the fastest growing programming language today, and for good reason: its elegant syntax and readable code make for prolific and happy programmers. But it can be difficult to understand and implement without a little help. Ruby by Example shows you how to take advantage of Ruby as you explore Ruby's fundamental concepts in action.

The Mating Mind - Geoffrey Miller
2011-12-21

At once a pioneering study of evolution and an accessible and lively reading experience, The Mating Mind marks the arrival of a prescient and provocative new science writer. Psychologist Geoffrey Miller offers the most convincing-and radical-explanation for how and why the human mind evolved. Consciousness, morality, creativity, language, and art: these are the traits that make us human. Scientists have traditionally explained these qualities as merely a side effect of surplus brain size, but Miller argues that they were sexual attractors, not side effects. He bases his argument on Darwin's theory of sexual selection, which until now has played second fiddle to Darwin's theory of natural selection, and draws on ideas and research from a wide range of fields, including psychology, economics, history, and pop culture. Witty, powerfully argued, and continually thought-provoking, The Mating Mind is a landmark in our understanding of our own species. Ruby and Sapphire - Richard W. Hughes

2017-01-01

From the dawn of time, ruby and sapphire have both attracted and fascinated humans in ways that few other items could. While objects of desire are found throughout the natural world, physical beauty is too often ephemeral. From the allure of a man, woman, flower or butterfly, through the fleeting moments of a sunset, there is little that lasts and practically nothing that can be passed down to our descendants. The exception is precious stones. Not only are they the most durable creations of mother nature, but their visual splendor is truly eternal. In this companion to his 2013 book, Ruby & Sapphire--A Collector's Guide, Richard Hughes examines these gems from the gemological standpoint, delving into these gems not just from the aesthetic, but also from the scientific point of view. The product of nearly 40 years of firsthand experience, it covers every aspect of

the subject from A-Z. History, sources, prices, quality analysis, synthetics and treatments, everything is here. Ruby & Sapphire--A Gemologist's Guide represents the most comprehensive book ever written on a single precious stone. With over 1000 photos, maps and illustrations and 3500 references, it is nothing less than a tour-de-force of gemological scholarship.

Surgical Pathology Dissection - William H. Westra 2013-03-14
Filling the need for a comprehensive, fully-illustrated guide to the subject, this practical manual demonstrates a logical approach to the preparation, dissection, and handling of the tissue specimens most commonly encountered in today's surgical pathology laboratory. Each dissection is vividly illustrated with powerful 3D line drawings created exclusively for this book. The authors discuss the clinically important features of various types

of specimens and lesions over the whole range of organ systems. The consistent approach provides a valuable conceptual framework for points to bear in mind during the dissection and each chapter concludes with a convenient reminder of the important issues to address in the surgical pathology report. Indispensable for staff pathologists, residents, pathologist's assistants, histotechnologists and other laboratory personnel. Aulton's Pharmaceutics - Michael E. Aulton 2013 "Pharmaceutics is the art of pharmaceutical preparations. It encompasses design of drugs, their manufacture and the elimination of micro-organisms from the products. This book encompasses all of these areas."--Provided by publisher. Perl One-Liners - Peteris Krumins 2013-11-13 Part of the fun of programming in

Perl lies in tackling tedious tasks

with short, efficient, and reusable code. Often, the perfect tool is the one-liner, a small but powerful program that fits in one line of code and does one thing really well. In Perl One-Liners, author and impatient hacker Peteris Krumins takes you through more than 100 compelling oneliners that do all sorts of handy things, such as manipulate line spacing, tally column values in a table, and get a list of users on a system. This cookbook of useful, customizable, and fun scripts will even help hone your Perl coding skills, as Krumins dissects the code to give you a deeper understanding of the language. You'll find one-liners that: * Encode, decode, and convert strings * Generate random passwords * Calculate sums, factorials, and the mathematical constants π and e * Add or remove spaces * Number lines in a file * Print lines that match a specific pattern * Check to see if a number is prime with a regular

expression * Convert IP address to decimal form * Replace one string with another And many more! Save time and sharpen your coding skills as you learn to conquer those pesky tasks in a few precisely placed keystrokes with Perl One-Liners.

Bayesian Statistics the Fun Way - Will Kurt 2019-07-09

Fun guide to learning Bayesian statistics and probability through unusual and illustrative examples. Probability and statistics are increasingly important in a huge range of professions. But many people use data in ways they don't even understand, meaning they aren't getting the most from it. Bayesian Statistics the Fun Way will change that. This book will give you a complete understanding of Bayesian statistics through simple explanations and un-boring examples. Find out the probability of UFOs landing in your garden, how likely Han Solo is to survive a flight

through an asteroid shower, how to win an argument about conspiracy theories, and whether a burglary really was a burglary, to name a few examples. By using these off-thebeaten-track examples, the author actually makes learning statistics fun. And you'll learn real skills, like how to: - How to measure your own level of uncertainty in a conclusion or belief - Calculate Bayes theorem and understand what it's useful for - Find the posterior, likelihood, and prior to check the accuracy of your conclusions -Calculate distributions to see the range of your data - Compare hypotheses and draw reliable conclusions from them Next time you find yourself with a sheaf of survey results and no idea what to do with them, turn to Bayesian Statistics the Fun Way to get the most value from vour data.

The Emperor of All Maladies -Siddhartha Mukherjee 2011-08-09 An assessment of cancer addresses both the courageous battles against the disease and the misperceptions and hubris that have compromised modern understandings, providing coverage of such topics as ancientworld surgeries and the development of present-day treatments. Reprint. Best-selling winner of the Pulitzer Prize. Includes reading-group guide. Learning OpenCV - Gary R. Bradski

2008

Optics - Eugene Hecht 1998

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This is a comprehensive study of the field of optics. Historical Painting Techniques, Materials, and Studio Practice - Arie Wallert 1995-08-24 Bridging the fields of conservation, art history, and museum curating, this volume contains the principal

papers from an international symposium titled "Historical Painting Techniques, Materials, and Studio

Practice" at the University of Leiden in Amsterdam, Netherlands, from June 26 to 29, 1995. The symposium-designed for art historians, conservators, conservation scientists, and museum curators worldwide—was organized by the Department of Art History at the University of Leiden and the Art History Department of the Central Research Laboratory for Objects of Art and Science in Amsterdam. Twentyfive contributors representing museums and conservation institutions throughout the world provide recent research on historical painting techniques, including wall painting and polychrome sculpture. Topics cover the latest art historical research and scientific analyses of original techniques and materials, as well as historical sources, such as medieval treatises and descriptions of painting techniques in historical literature. Chapters include the painting methods of Rembrandt and

Vermeer, Dutch 17th-century landscape painting, wall paintings in English churches, Chinese paintings on paper and canvas, and Tibetan thangkas. Color plates and black-and-white photographs illustrate works from the Middle Ages to the 20th century. The Book of R - Tilman M. Davies 2016-07-16

The Book of R is a comprehensive, beginner-friendly guide to R, the world's most popular programming language for statistical analysis. Even if you have no programming experience and little more than a grounding in the basics of mathematics, you'll find everything you need to begin using R effectively for statistical analysis. You'll start with the basics, like how to handle data and write simple programs, before moving on to more advanced topics, like producing statistical summaries of your data and performing statistical tests and modeling. You'll even learn how to

create impressive data visualizations with R's basic graphics tools and contributed packages, like ggplot2 and ggvis, as well as interactive 3D visualizations using the rgl package. Dozens of hands-on exercises (with downloadable solutions) take you from theory to practice, as you learn: -The fundamentals of programming in R, including how to write data frames, create functions, and use variables, statements, and loops -Statistical concepts like exploratory data analysis, probabilities, hypothesis tests, and regression modeling, and how to execute them in R -How to access R's thousands of functions, libraries, and data sets -How to draw valid and useful conclusions from your data -How to create publication-quality graphics of your results Combining detailed explanations with real-world examples and exercises, this book will provide you with a solid understanding of both statistics and

the depth of R's functionality. Make The Book of R your doorway into the growing world of data analysis. **Pushing to the Front** - Orison Swett Marden 1911

Ruby Performance Optimization -Alexander Dymo 2015-11-19 You don't have to accept slow Ruby or Rails performance. In this comprehensive guide to Ruby optimization, you'll learn how to write faster Ruby code--but that's just the beginning. See exactly what makes Ruby and Rails code slow, and how to fix it. Alex Dymo will guide you through perils of memory and CPU optimization, profiling, measuring, performance testing, garbage collection, and tuning. You'll find that all those "hard" things aren't so difficult after all, and your code will run orders of magnitude faster. This is the first book ever that consolidates all the Ruby performance optimization advice in one place.

It's your comprehensive guide to memory optimization, CPU optimization, garbage collector tuning, profiling, measurements, performance testing, and more. You'll go from performance rookie to expert. First, you'll learn the best practices for writing Ruby code that's easy not only on the CPU, but also on memory, and that doesn't trigger the dreaded garbage collector. You'll find out that garbage collection accounts for 80% of slowdowns, and often takes more than 50% of your program's execution time. And you'll discover the bottlenecks in Rails code and learn how selective attribute loading and preloading can mitigate the performance costs of ActiveRecord. As you advance to Ruby performance expert, you'll learn how profile your code, how to make sense out of profiler reports, and how to make optimization decisions based on them. You'll make sure slow code doesn't

creep back into your Ruby application by writing performance tests, and you'll learn the right way to benchmark Ruby. And finally, you'll dive into the Ruby interpreter internals to really understand why garbage collection makes Ruby so slow, and how you can tune it up. What You Need: Some version of Ruby. The advice from this book applies to all modern Ruby versions from 1.9 to 2.2. 80% of the material will also be useful for legacy Ruby 1.8 users, and there is 1.8-specific advice as well. Simon & Schuster's Guide to Gems and Precious Stones - Kennie Lyman 1986-03-13

Simon & Schuster's Guide to Gems and Precious Stones provides both the connoisseur and the casual collector with a compact, easy-to-use volume describing more than 100 rare varieties of minerals whose beauty and mystery have possessed our imaginations from time immemorial. More than 450 brilliant photographs

accompany profiles of each gem, covering such aspects as appearance, physical properties -- density, hardness, refraction -- occurrence, and how to judge quality and value. Additional sections describe the process of cutting gemstones and the techniques professional gemologists use to evaluate a stone's weight and optical properties. Detailed and comprehensive, this book is essential for anyone interested in the study of gems and precious stones. The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks - Rebecca Skloot 2010-02-02 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • "The story of modern medicine and bioethics-and, indeed, race relations—is refracted beautifully, and movingly."-Entertainment Weekly NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE FROM HBO® STARRING OPRAH WINFREY AND ROSE BYRNE • ONE OF THE "MOST INFLUENTIAL" (CNN), "DEFINING" (LITHUB), AND "BEST" (THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER) BOOKS OF THE DECADE . ONE OF

ESSENCE'S 50 MOST IMPACTFUL BLACK BOOKS OF THE PAST 50 YEARS • WINNER OF THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE HEARTLAND PRIZE FOR NONFICTION NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review . Entertainment Weekly • O: The Oprah Magazine • NPR • Financial Times • New York • Independent (U.K.) • Times (U.K.) • Publishers Weekly • Library Journal • Kirkus Reviews • Booklist • Globe and Mail Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor Southern tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors, vet her cells-taken without her knowledge-became one of the most important tools in medicine: The first "immortal" human cells grown in culture, which are still alive today, though she has been dead for more than sixty years. HeLa cells were vital for developing the polio vaccine; uncovered secrets of cancer, viruses, and the atom bomb's effects;

helped lead to important advances like in vitro fertilization, cloning, and gene mapping; and have been bought and sold by the billions. Yet Henrietta Lacks remains virtually unknown, buried in an unmarked grave. Henrietta's family did not learn of her "immortality" until more than twenty years after her death, when scientists investigating HeLa began using her husband and children in research without informed consent. And though the cells had launched a multimillion-dollar industry that sells human biological materials, her family never saw any of the profits. As Rebecca Skloot so brilliantly shows, the story of the Lacks family-past and present-is inextricably connected to the dark history of experimentation on African Americans, the birth of bioethics, and the legal battles over whether we control the stuff we are made of. Over the decade it took to uncover this story, Rebecca became enmeshed

in the lives of the Lacks family—especially Henrietta's daughter Deborah. Deborah was consumed with questions: Had scientists cloned her mother? Had they killed her to harvest her cells? And if her mother was so important to medicine, why couldn't her children afford health insurance? Intimate in feeling, astonishing in scope, and impossible to put down, The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks captures the beauty and drama of scientific discovery, as well as its human consequences.

Comprehensive Ruby Programming - Jordan Hudgens 2017-06-30
This book will provide you with all of the tools you need to be a professional Ruby developer. Starting with the core principles, such as syntax and best practices, and up to advanced topics like metaprogramming and big data analysis. About This Book Provides the core skills required to become a Ruby programmer

Covers how to use the most popular Ruby Gem libraries Includes details on regular expressions Who This Book Is For This is a complete course written from the ground up for beginners wanting to gain a solid understanding of the Ruby language. It starts at the beginning with how to install Ruby and work with it on multiple machines, so simply have a computer that's connected to the Internet and you'll be ready. What You Will Learn Learn how to use Ruby code effectively, picking the right tool for the job and not duplicating built-in functionality Gain best software development practices, and how to identify and fix common errors Absorb core programming skills, such as variables, strings, loops, conditionals, and much more Explore object-oriented programming and learn to create modular, reusable code that you can use across projects Build 10 practical Ruby programs as you work through the book on topics such as

big data analysis and solving Euler equations In Detail Ruby is a powerful, general-purpose programming language that can be applied to any task. Whether you are an experienced developer who wants to learn a new language or you are new to programming, this book is your comprehensive Ruby coding guide. Starting with the foundational principles, such as syntax, and scaling up to advanced topics such as big data analysis, this book will give you all of the tools you need to be a professional Ruby developer. A few of the key topics are: objectoriented programming, built-in Ruby methods, core programming skills, and an introduction to the Ruby on Rails and Sinatra web frameworks. You will also build 10 practical Ruby programs. Created by an experienced Ruby developer, this book has been written to ensure it focuses on the skills you will need to be a professional Ruby developer. After

you have read this book, you will be ready to start building real-world Ruby projects. Style and approach This is a comprehensive course for learning the Ruby programming language that works methodically through everything that you need to know. It begins with the basics of the language and then works through some complete projects to apply your skills and ensure that you have fully absorbed them and can use them in the real world.

The Illustrated London Reading Book - Various 2019-11-25

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for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

Design Patterns in Ruby (Adobe Reader) - Russ Olsen 2007-12-10 Praise for Design Patterns in Ruby " Design Patterns in Ruby documents smart ways to resolve many problems that Ruby developers commonly encounter. Russ Olsen has done a great job of selecting classic patterns and augmenting these with newer patterns that have special relevance for Ruby. He clearly explains each idea, making a wealth of experience available to Ruby developers for their own daily work." -Steve Metsker, Managing Consultant with Dominion Digital, Inc. "This book provides a great demonstration of the key 'Gang of Four' design patterns without resorting to overly technical explanations. Written in a precise, yet almost informal style,

this book covers enough ground that even those without prior exposure to design patterns will soon feel confident applying them using Ruby. Olsen has done a great job to make a book about a classically 'dry' subject into such an engaging and even occasionally humorous read." -Peter Cooper "This book renewed my interest in understanding patterns after a decade of good intentions. Russ picked the most useful patterns for Ruby and introduced them in a straightforward and logical manner, going beyond the GoF's patterns. This book has improved my use of Ruby, and encouraged me to blow off the dust covering the GoF book." -Mike Stok " Design Patterns in Ruby is a great way for programmers from statically typed objectoriented languages to learn how design patterns appear in a more dynamic, flexible language like Ruby." -Rob Sanheim, Ruby Ninja, Relevance Most design pattern books are based on C++ and Java. But Ruby

is different—and the language's unique qualities make design patterns easier to implement and use. In this book, Russ Olsen demonstrates how to combine Ruby's power and elegance with patterns, and write more sophisticated, effective software with far fewer lines of code. After reviewing the history, concepts, and goals of design patterns, Olsen offers a quick tour of the Ruby language-enough to allow any experienced software developer to immediately utilize patterns with Ruby. The book especially calls attention to Ruby features that simplify the use of patterns, including dynamic typing, code closures, and "mixins" for easier code reuse. Fourteen of the classic "Gang of Four" patterns are considered from the Ruby point of view, explaining what problems each pattern solves, discussing whether traditional implementations make sense in the Ruby environment, and

introducing Ruby-specific improvements. You'll discover opportunities to implement patterns in just one or two lines of code, instead of the endlessly repeated boilerplate that conventional languages often require. Design Patterns in Ruby also identifies innovative new patterns that have emerged from the Ruby community. These include ways to create custom objects with metaprogramming, as well as the ambitious Rails-based "Convention Over Configuration" pattern, designed to help integrate entire applications and frameworks. Engaging, practical, and accessible, Design Patterns in Ruby will help you build better software while making your Ruby programming experience more rewarding.

iBATIS in Action - Clinton Begin
2006-12-31

iBATIS in Action teaches Java developers and architects how to use the iBATIS framework to map

relational databases to objectoriented programs. Written by the creator of iBATIS, this practical book presents patterns and solutions that readers can apply immediately. iBATIS in Action shows Java developers how to tackle the problem of data persistence using the elegant iBATIS framework. iBATIS helps developers solve the problem of connecting- or mapping- relational databases to object-oriented code. An extensive running example presents reusable iBATIS patterns and common solutions. The sample application shows where iBATIS fits in a typical web application as well as how iBATIS integrates with other popular frameworks like Struts, iBATIS in Action focuses on solving existing problems without introducing new ones. In addition to showing what iBATIS does, iBATIS in Action also shows how iBATIS solves problems. Readers explore the driving design philosophy behind iBATIS as presented by iBATIS creator Clinton Begin. Purchase of the print book comes with an offer of a free PDF, ePub, and Kindle eBook from Manning. Also available is all code from the book. Field Book of Western Wild Flowers -Margaret Armstrong 2021-12-02 "Field Book of Western Wild Flowers" by J. J. Thornber, Margaret Armstrong. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten-or yet undiscovered gems-of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

Maintenance and Repair of Laboratory, Diagnostic Imaging, and Hospital

Equipment - WHO 1994-12

A practical guide to the maintenance and repair of essential laboratory and hospital equipment. Intended for use in institutions that do not have specially trained technicians or engineers the book responds to the situation frequently seen in developing countries where much of the equipment is imported and adequate information on maintenance and repair is rarely provided by suppliers. With these special needs in mind the manual aims to help staff using specific types of equipment to understand basic principles of construction and operation adopt good working practices avoid common errors perform routine maintenance and spot the early signs of defects or deterioration. Advice on equipment repair concentrates on common causes of problems that can be solved without expertise in engineering. Throughout the manual line drawings illustrate features of construction

and design while numerous checklists offer advice on periodic inspection and cleaning good working practices and the essential do's don'ts must's and never's of routine operation and maintenance. Information ranges from the steps to follow when recharging batteries through advice on how to protect microscopes in hot climates to instructions for changing a blown fuse in an ultrasound scanner. Basic safety procedures for protecting staff as well as patients are also described. The most extensive chapter covers the maintenance and repair of basic laboratory equipment moving from autoclaves and incubators to cell counters and systems for water purification. The remaining chapters describe the correct use maintenance and repair of diagnostic equipment anaesthetic and resuscitation equipment operating room equipment and ultrasound and X-ray diagnostic equipment.

Ruby Wizardry - Eric Weinstein

2014-12-14

The Ruby programming language is perfect for beginners: easy to learn, powerful, and fun to use! But wouldn't it be more fun if you were learning with the help of some wizards and dragons? Ruby Wizardry is a playful, illustrated tale that will teach you how to program in Ruby by taking you on a fantastical journey. As you follow the adventures of young heroes Ruben and Scarlet, you'll learn real programming skills, like how to: -Use fundamental concepts like variables, symbols, arrays, and strings -Work with Ruby hashes to create a programmable breakfast menu -Control program flow with loops and conditionals to help the Royal Plumber -Test your wild and crazy ideas in IRB and save your programs as scripts -Create a class of miniwizards, each with their own superpower! -Organize and reuse your code with methods and lists -Write your own amazing interactive stories

using Ruby Along the way, you'll meet colorful characters from around the kingdom, like the hacker Queen, the Off-White Knight, and Wherefore the minstrel. Ruby Wizardry will have you (or your little wizard) hooked on programming in no time. For ages 10+ (and their parents!)

Dermatology - Sima Jain 2012-03-29 A fully-illustrated, note-packed volume of information, Dermatology: Illustrated Study Guide and Comprehensive Board Review fulfills a real need for a single study quide for the Dermatology Board Exam. Written by a previous Chief Resident of Dermatology at the University of Illinois at Chicago Medical Center, the text focuses on presenting comprehensive information in an easyto-understand, easy-to-remember format. Tips, tricks, short lists, and tables fill every inch of this book-a must-have for any dermatology resident. Features: Acts as a concise go-to review book for the Dermatology Board Exam Hundreds of author notes pinpointing important information presented in an easy-to-read format Scores of mnemonics and memory tricks to mentally organize information Over 500 high-quality images placed parallel to the represented skin disorder Life after Boards—essential tips on coding and documentation WHO Guidelines on Drawing Blood -Neelam Dhingra 2010 Phlebotomy uses large, hollow needles to remove blood specimens for lab testing or blood donation. Each step in the process carries risks - both for patients and health workers. Patients may be bruised. Health workers may receive needle-stick injuries. Both can become infected with bloodborne organisms such as hepatitis B, HIV, syphilis or malaria. Moreover, each step affects the quality of the specimen and the diagnosis. A contaminated specimen will produce a misdiagnosis. Clerical errors can prove fatal. The new WHO

quidelines provide recommended steps for safe phlebotomy and reiterate accepted principles for drawing, collecting blood and transporting blood to laboratories/blood banks. Microbial Evolution and Co-Adaptation - Institute of Medicine 2009-05-10 Dr. Joshua Lederberg - scientist, Nobel laureate, visionary thinker, and friend of the Forum on Microbial Threats - died on February 2, 2008. It was in his honor that the Institute of Medicine's Forum on Microbial Threats convened a public workshop on May 20-21, 2008, to examine Dr. Lederberg's scientific and policy contributions to the marketplace of ideas in the life sciences, medicine, and public policy. The resulting workshop summary, Microbial Evolution and Co-Adaptation, demonstrates the extent to which conceptual and technological developments have, within a few short years, advanced our collective understanding of the microbiome,

microbial genetics, microbial communities, and microbe-host-environment interactions.

The Principles of Object-Oriented JavaScript - Nicholas C. Zakas 2014-02-14

If you've used a more traditional object-oriented language, such as C++ or Java, JavaScript probably doesn't seem object-oriented at all. It has no concept of classes, and you don't even need to define any objects in order to write code. But don't be fooled-JavaScript is an incredibly powerful and expressive objectoriented language that puts many design decisions right into your hands. In The Principles of Object-Oriented JavaScript, Nicholas C. Zakas thoroughly explores JavaScript's object-oriented nature, revealing the language's unique implementation of inheritance and other key characteristics. You'll learn: -The difference between primitive and reference values -What

makes JavaScript functions so unique
-The various ways to create objects
-How to define your own constructors
-How to work with and understand
prototypes -Inheritance patterns for
types and objects The Principles of
Object-Oriented JavaScript will leave
even experienced developers with a
deeper understanding of JavaScript.
Unlock the secrets behind how objects
work in JavaScript so you can write
clearer, more flexible, and more
efficient code.

Practical Guide to ICP-MS - Robert
Thomas 2003-12-11

Written by a field insider with more than 20 years of experience in the development and application of atomic spectroscopy instrumentation, the Practical Guide to ICP-MS offers key concepts and guidelines in a readerfriendly format that is superb for those with limited knowledge of the technique. This reference discusses the fundamental principles, analytical advantages, practical

capabilities, and overall benefits of ICP-MS. It presents the most important selection criteria when evaluating commercial ICP-MS equipment and the most common application areas of ICP-MS such as the environmental, semiconductor, geochemical, clinical, nuclear, food, metallurgical, and petrochemical industries.

Rewire Your Brain - John B. Arden 2010-03-22

How to rewire your brain to improve virtually every aspect of your life-based on the latest research in neuroscience and psychology on neuroplasticity and evidence-based practices Not long ago, it was thought that the brain you were born with was the brain you would die with, and that the brain cells you had at birth were the most you would ever possess. Your brain was thought to be "hardwired" to function in predetermined ways. It turns out that's not true. Your brain is not

hardwired, it's "softwired" by experience. This book shows you how you can rewire parts of the brain to feel more positive about your life, remain calm during stressful times, and improve your social relationships. Written by a leader in the field of Brain-Based Therapy, it teaches you how to activate the parts of your brain that have been underactivated and calm down those areas that have been hyperactivated so that you feel positive about your life and remain calm during stressful times. You will also learn to improve your memory, boost your mood, have better relationships, and get a good night sleep. Reveals how cutting-edge developments in neuroscience, and evidence-based practices can be used to improve your everyday life Other titles by Dr. Arden include: Brain-Based Therapy-Adult, Brain-Based Therapy-Child, Improving Your Memory For Dummies and Heal Your Anxiety Workbook Dr. Arden is a leader in

integrating the new developments in neuroscience with psychotherapy and Director of Training in Mental Health for Kaiser Permanente for the Northern California Region Explaining exciting new developments in neuroscience and their applications to daily living, Rewire Your Brain will guide you through the process of changing your brain so you can change your life and be free of self-imposed limitations.

Beautiful Trouble - Andrew Boyd 2013-05-01

Banksy, the Yes Men, Gandhi, Starhawk: the accumulated wisdom of decades of creative protest is now in the hands of the next generation of change-makers, thanks to Beautiful Trouble. Sophisticated enough for veteran activists, accessible enough for newbies, this compact pocket edition of the bestselling Beautiful Trouble is a book that's both handy and inexpensive. Showcasing the synergies between artistic

imagination and shrewd political strategy, this generously illustrated volume can easily be slipped into your pocket as you head out to the streets. This is for everyone who longs for a more beautiful, more just, more livable world - and wants to know how to get there. Includes a new introduction by the editors. Contributors include: Celia Alario . Andy Bichlbaum • Nadine Bloch • L. M. Bogad • Mike Bonnano • Andrew Boyd • Kevin Buckland • Doyle Canning • Samantha Corbin • Stephen Duncombe • Simon Enoch • Janice Fine • Lisa Fithian • Arun Gupta • Sarah Jaffe • John Jordan • Stephen Lerner • Zack Malitz • Nancy L. Mancias • Dave Oswald Mitchell • Tracey Mitchell • Mark Read • Patrick Reinsborough • Joshua Kahn Russell • Nathan Schneider • John Sellers • Matthew Skomarovsky • Jonathan Matthew Smucker • Starhawk • Eric Stoner • Harsha Walia

Emeralds - Ronald Ringsrud 2009

An Introduction to Nanoscience and Nanotechnology - Alain Nouailhat 2010-01-05

This book recalls the basics required for an understanding of the nanoworld (quantum physics, molecular biology, micro and nanoelectronics) and gives examples of applications in various fields: materials, energy, devices, data management and life sciences. It is clearly shown how the nanoworld is at the crossing point of knowledge and innovation. Written by an expert who spent a large part of his professional life in the field, the title also gives a general insight into the evolution of nanosciences and nanotechnologies. The reader is thus provided with an introduction to this complex area with different "tracks" for further personal comprehension and reflection. This guided and illustrated tour also reveals the importance of the nanoworld in everyday life.

The Silver Canvas - Bates Lowry

2000-02-03

By the middle of the nineteenth century, the most common method of photography was the daguerreotype—Louis Jacques Mandé Daguerre's miraculous invention that captured in a camera visual images on a highly polished silver surface through exposure to light. In this book are presented nearly eighty masterpieces—many never previously published—from the J. Paul Getty Museum's extensive daguerreotype collection.

Eloquent Ruby - Russ Olsen 2011-02-07 It's easy to write correct Ruby code, but to gain the fluency needed to write great Ruby code, you must go beyond syntax and absorb the "Ruby way" of thinking and problem solving. In Eloquent Ruby, Russ Olsen helps you write Ruby like true Rubyists do-so you can leverage its immense, surprising power. Olsen draws on years of experience internalizing the Ruby culture and teaching Ruby to

other programmers. He guides you to the "Ah Ha!" moments when it suddenly becomes clear why Ruby works the way it does, and how you can take advantage of this language's elegance and expressiveness. Eloquent Ruby starts small, answering tactical questions focused on a single statement, method, test, or bug. You'll learn how to write code that actually looks like Ruby (not Java or C#); why Ruby has so many control structures; how to use strings, expressions, and symbols; and what dynamic typing is really good for. Next, the book addresses bigger questions related to building methods and classes. You'll discover why Ruby classes contain so many tiny methods, when to use operator overloading, and when to avoid it. Olsen explains how to write Ruby code that writes its own code-and why you'll want to. He concludes with powerful project-level features and techniques ranging from gems to Domain Specific Languages. A

part of the renowned Addison-Wesley Professional Ruby Series, Eloquent Ruby will help you "put on your Rubycolored glasses" and get results that make you a true believer. Effective Ruby - Peter J. Jones 2015 If you're an experienced Ruby programmer, Effective Ruby will help you harness Ruby's full power to write more robust, efficient, maintainable, and well-performing code. Drawing on nearly a decade of Ruby experience, Peter J. Jones brings together 48 Ruby best practices, expert tips, and shortcuts—all supported by realistic code examples. Jones offers practical advice for each major area of Ruby development, from modules to memory to metaprogramming. Throughout, he uncovers little-known idioms, quirks, pitfalls, and intricacies that powerfully impact code behavior and performance. Each item contains specific, actionable, clearly organized guidelines; careful advice; detailed technical arguments; and illuminating code examples. When multiple options exist, Jones shows you how to choose the one that will work best in your situation. Effective Ruby will help you systematically improve your code-not by blindly following rules, but by thoroughly understanding Ruby programming techniques. Key features of this concise guide include How to avoid pitfalls associated with Ruby's sometimes surprising idiosyncrasies What you should know about inheritance hierarchies to successfully use Rails (and other large frameworks) How to use misunderstood methods to do amazingly useful things with collections Better ways to use exceptions to improve code reliability Powerful metaprogramming approaches (and techniques to avoid) Practical, efficient testing solutions, including MiniTest Unit and Spec Testing How to reliably manage

RubyGem dependencies How to make the most of Ruby's memory management and profiling tools How to improve code efficiency by understanding the Ruby interpreter's internals

Land of Lisp - Conrad Barski
2010-10-15

Lisp has been hailed as the world's most powerful programming language, but its cryptic syntax and academic reputation can be enough to scare off even experienced programmers. Those dark days are finally over-Land of Lisp brings the power of functional programming to the people! With his brilliantly quirky comics and out-ofthis-world games, longtime Lisper Conrad Barski teaches you the mysteries of Common Lisp. You'll start with the basics, like list manipulation, I/O, and recursion, then move on to more complex topics like macros, higher order programming, and domain-specific languages. Then, when your brain overheats, you can kick back with an

action-packed comic book interlude! Along the way you'll create (and play) games like Wizard Adventure, a text adventure with a whiskey-soaked twist, and Grand Theft Wumpus, the most violent version of Hunt the Wumpus the world has ever seen. You'll learn to: -Master the guirks of Lisp's syntax and semantics -Write concise and elegant functional programs -Use macros, create domainspecific languages, and learn other advanced Lisp techniques -Create your own web server, and use it to play browser-based games -Put your Lisp skills to the test by writing brainmelting games like Dice of Doom and Orc Battle With Land of Lisp, the power of functional programming is yours to wield.

<u>Ruby Under a Microscope</u> - Pat Shaughnessy 2013

"An under-the-hood look at how the Ruby programming language runs code. Extensively illustrated with complete explanations and hands-on experiments. Covers Ruby 2.x"--**Gaia's Garden** - Toby Hemenway 2009

This extensively revised and expanded edition broadens the reach and depth of the permaculture approach for urban and suburban gardeners. The

text's message is that working with nature, not against it, results in more beautiful, abundant, and forgiving gardens.

A Book of Precious Stones - Julius Wodiska 1918