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“If you have any interest in writing .NET programs using Active Directory or ADAM, this is the book you want to read.”
—Joe Richards, Microsoft MVP, directory services Identity and Access Management are rapidly gaining importance as key areas of practice in the IT industry, and directory services provide the fundamental building blocks that enable them. For enterprise developers struggling to build directory-enabled .NET applications, *The .NET Developer’s Guide to Directory Services Programming* will come as a welcome aid. Microsoft MVPs Joe Kaplan and Ryan Dunn have written a practical introduction to programming directory services, using both versions 1.1 and 2.0 of the .NET Framework. The extensive examples in the book are in C#; a companion Web site includes both C# and Visual Basic source code and examples. Readers will Learn to create, rename, update, and delete objects in Active Directory and ADAM Learn to bind to and search directories effectively and efficiently Learn to read and write attributes of all types in the directory Learn to use directory services within ASP.NET applications Get concrete examples of common programming tasks such as managing Active Directory and ADAM users and groups, and performing authentication Experienced .NET developers—those building enterprise applications or simply interested in learning about directory services—will find that *The .NET Developer’s Guide to Directory Services Programming* unravels the complexities and helps them to avoid the common pitfalls that developers face.

Recent interest in nonchemical methods of pest control has brought renewed attention to the biological control of plant pests in the fields of entomology, plant pathology, and weed science. *Ecological Interactions and Biological Control*

addresses issues of theory and practice common to all three fields. Focusing on systems rather than on individual
Produced by microbes on a large scale, methane is an important alternative fuel as well as a potent greenhouse gas. This volume focuses on microbial methane metabolism, which is central to the global carbon cycle. Both methanotrophy and methanogenesis are covered in detail. Topics include isolation and classification of microorganisms, metagenomics approaches, biochemistry of key metabolic enzymes, gene regulation and genetic systems, and field measurements. The state-of-the-art techniques described here will both guide researchers in specific pursuits and educate the wider scientific community about this exciting and rapidly developing field. Topics include isolation and classification of microorganisms, metagenomics approaches, biochemistry of key metabolic enzymes, gene regulation and genetic systems, and field measurements The state-of-the-art techniques described here will both guide researchers in specific pursuits and educate the wider scientific community about this exciting and rapidly developing field

Build Web Services Better and Faster with RESTful Techniques and .NET Technologies Developers are rapidly discovering the power of REST to simplify the development of even the most sophisticated Web services—and today's .NET platform is packed with tools for effective REST development. Now, for the first time, there's a complete, practical guide to building REST-based services with .NET development technologies. Long-time .NET and Web services developers and authors Kenn Scribner and Scott Seely explain why REST fits so smoothly into the Internet ecosystem, why RESTful services are so much easier to build, what it means to be RESTful, and how to identify behaviors that are not RESTful. Next, they review the core Internet standards and .NET technologies used to develop RESTful solutions and

show exactly how to apply them on both the client and server side. Using detailed code examples, Scribner and Seely begin with simple ASP.NET techniques, and then introduce increasingly powerful options—including Windows Communication Foundation (WCF) and Microsoft's cloud computing initiative, Azure. Coverage includes

- Accessing RESTful services from desktop applications, using Windows Forms and WPF
- Supporting Web client operations using Silverlight 2.0, JavaScript, and other technologies
- Understanding how IIS 7.0 processes HTTP requests and using that knowledge to build better REST services
- Constructing REST services based on traditional ASP.NET constructs
- Utilizing the ASP.NET MVC Framework to implement RESTful services more effectively
- Taking advantage of WCF 3.5's powerful REST-specific capabilities
- Creating RESTful data views effortlessly with ADO.NET Data Services
- Leveraging Microsoft's Azure cloud-computing platform to build innovative new services
- Choosing the right .NET technology for each REST application or service

Modern Experimental Chemistry provides techniques of qualitative analysis that reinforce experiments on ionic equilibria. This book includes the determination of water in hydrated salts; identification of an organic compound after determining its molecular weight; and nonaqueous titration of a salt of a weak acid. The calculation of chemical stoichiometry; calculation of thermodynamic properties by determining the change in equilibrium with temperature; and chromium chemistry are also covered. This compilation contains enough experiments for classes which have six hours of laboratory (two 3-hour meetings) per week to last two semesters. This publication is intended for chemistry students as an introductory manual to chemistry laboratory.

"Sometimes you've just got to work it out. Follow along as a

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bad mood pesters a young boy and ends up rubbing off on all those around him. After a frustrating day under his version of a little dark cloud, he discovers that ultimately working through your feelings and emotions begins with you. This unique picture book contains no words so readers are left to "read" the story by interpreting the unique illustrations themselves"--from Amazon.

SPREADSHEET MODELING AND DECISION ANALYSIS, Seventh Edition, provides instruction in the most commonly used management science techniques and shows how these tools can be implemented using Microsoft Office Excel 2013. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

"If you're determinedly not a self-help kind of reader (like me), make an exception for [this book]. And if you're not a parent, don't dismiss it. The message is one of non-judgmental kindness."?Vogue (London) How can we have better relationships? In this instant Sunday Times bestseller, leading psychotherapist Philippa Perry reveals the vital do's and don'ts of relationships. This is a book for us all. Whether you are interested in understanding how your upbringing has shaped you, looking to handle your child's feelings or wishing to support your partner, you will find indispensable information and realistic tips in these pages. Philippa Perry's sane, sage and judgement-free advice is an essential resource on how to have the best possible relationships with the people who matter to you most.

Looking beyond the individual office holders to the office itself, this Fourth Edition of Vital Statistics on the Presidency covers George Washington's tenure through the 2012 election. The book's expansive view of the presidency allows readers to recognize major themes

across administrations and to reach overall conclusions about the nature of the institution and its future. The illuminating data is put into context by thoughtful essays explaining key statistical patterns, making this edition an intriguing and comprehensive reference to important patterns throughout the history of the presidency.

“Offers one of the most imaginative takes on paper crafts yet. Filled with groan-worthy puns, sharp color photographs, and detailed directions, this how-to tome also provides 20 patterns with upscale designs few could resist. The basics are explained up front, including materials, tools, and techniques.”—Booklist.

This unique guide and professional reference presents a structured framework for practitioners and students of project, program, and portfolio management to enhance their strategic and analytic capabilities in the evolving discipline of project portfolio management (PPM). It provides a practical, step-by-step approach to building competencies in categorizing, evaluating, optimizing, prioritizing, and managing an IT, pharmaceutical, biotech or other complex R&D-oriented portfolio of investments. ALERT: Before you purchase, check with your instructor or review your course syllabus to ensure that you select the correct ISBN. Several versions of Pearson's MyLab & Mastering products exist for each title, including customized versions for individual schools, and registrations are not transferable. In addition, you may need a CourseID, provided by your instructor, to register for and use Pearson's MyLab & Mastering products. Packages Access codes for Pearson's MyLab & Mastering products may not be included when

purchasing or renting from companies other than Pearson; check with the seller before completing your purchase. Used or rental books If you rent or purchase a used book with an access code, the access code may have been redeemed previously and you may have to purchase a new access code. Access codes Access codes that are purchased from sellers other than Pearson carry a higher risk of being either the wrong ISBN or a previously redeemed code. Check with the seller prior to purchase. -- In *Statistics for Business: Decision Making and Analysis*, authors Robert Stine and Dean Foster of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, take a sophisticated approach to teaching statistics in the context of making good business decisions. The authors show students how to recognize and understand each business question, use statistical tools to do the analysis, and how to communicate their results clearly and concisely. In addition to providing cases and real data to demonstrate real business situations, this text provides resources to support understanding and engagement. A successful problem-solving framework in the 4-M Examples (Motivation, Method, Mechanics, Message) model a clear outline for solving problems, new What Do You Think questions give students an opportunity to stop and check their understanding as they read, and new learning objectives guide students through each chapter and help them to review major goals. Software Hints provide instructions for using the most up-to-date technology packages. The Second Edition also includes expanded coverage and instruction of Excel® 2010.

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This pocket-sized reference is ideal for use in clinicals, in class and at the bedside! A condensed version of the Nursing Diagnosis Handbook, 10th Edition, Mosby's Guide to Nursing Diagnosis, 4th edition uses a quick-access format to help you diagnose and formulate care plans with confidence and ease. It includes the most recent NANDA-I approved nursing diagnoses based on more than 1,300 specific symptoms and a step-by-step guide to creating care plans featuring desired outcomes, interventions, and patient teaching. UNIQUE! Care plans for every NANDA-I approved nursing diagnosis, including pediatric, geriatric, multicultural, home care, client/family teaching and discharge planning, and safety interventions Alphabetical thumb tabs provide quick access to specific symptoms and nursing diagnoses Pocketsize portability makes this book easy to carry and use in clinicals, in class, or at the bedside NEW! 4 Color Text NEW! Updated 2012-2014 NANDA-I-approved nursing diagnoses NEW! 16 new and 22 revised diagnoses NEW! Added content on safety, one of QSEN's six competencies

Spreadsheet Modeling and Decision Analysis

A powerful, flexible, integrated framework for effective problem solving and decision making that serves the company's objectives and goals. * *A logical, flexible, well-structured approach to assessing issues, developing solutions, and making decisions that drive achievement of business objectives. *By two leading practitioners, consultants, and researchers in operations management and decision science. *Three chapter-length case studies show how this book's methods can be adapted

and applied in a wide range of environments. This professional reference provides an integrated framework for problem solving and decision making in corporations. Drawing on vast experience in the field, the authors show how to apply state-of-the-art decision science, statistical modeling, benchmarking, and processing modeling techniques together to create a robust analytical framework for better decision making in any field that relies on advanced operations management. They integrate both newly developed and time-tested techniques into a logical, structured approach for assessing corporate issues, developing solutions, and making decisions that drive the successful achievement of corporate objectives. Coverage includes: defining objectives, exploring the environment; scoping problems and evaluating their importance; bringing data mining and statistical analysis to bear; solving problems and measuring the results; evaluating the results and performing sensitivity analysis, and more. The book concludes with three case study chapters that walk through the effective use of its methods, step-by-step. Representing a wide variety of corporate environments, these case studies underscore and demonstrate the method's exceptional adaptability. This book will be valuable in a wide range of industries, notably finance, pharmaceutical, healthcare, economics, and manufacturing.

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stars and a million more.’ Linda’s Book Reviews My darling girl, I watch you playing outside in the grass. Your long blonde hair sweeps back and your blue eyes are bright with joy. You are utterly perfect, I never imagined something could be so wrong and I’d be powerless to protect you... Ava’s daughter Carly is everything a ten-year-old should be: energetic, creative and the light of her parents’ lives. But when she starts stumbling down stairs and walking into doors, Ava wants to rush to the doctor. Her husband Rick is sure she’s fretting over nothing – kids can be a little clumsy sometimes. But Ava’s instinct is telling her something is seriously wrong. Against Rick’s advice, Ava takes Carly to see a specialist and is given a devastating diagnosis: a rare genetic condition that will change her future forever. When Rick realises the truth, he is determined to do all he can to help Carly enjoy what light she has left. The close-knit family take it one day at a time, walking to the beach and watching the sunrise. Just as Ava begins to imagine a new future for them all, a tragic accident throws their lives into chaos once more. To give her daughter a chance at a full life, Ava faces a devastating choice. How can she possibly choose between the two people she loves most? An emotional, heartbreaking page-turner about a mother’s love and an utterly devastating decision. Readers of Kate Hewitt, My Sister’s Keeper and Diane Chamberlain will keep this story in their hearts forever. Readers are loving Her Last Chance! ?????????? ‘Wow. Just wow... I smiled, I laughed, I cried and then I smiled some more. My eyes are puffy, my nose is running, which to me shows just

how amazing this book really is!’ Chloe’s Reading Room ?????????? ‘I cried, many times... So many times I gasped out loud, and I seriously could not put this book down!... This amazing book will feature in my top five books for the year. I just can’t stop thinking about it.’ NetGalley reviewer ?????????? ‘I’m about ready to run my tear ducts dry!... I was doing the ugly cry... I was drawn into their story from page one and had a hard time putting it down to go to bed. My dreams were filled with this story... Worth taking a day off work!’ PJP Reviews ?????????? ‘WOW! This story was an emotional, heart-wrenching rollercoaster of a ride. Make sure you have tissues close by. I cried and smiled as I read. This was a book that I did not want to put down.’ Goodreads reviewer ?????????? ‘Let me start by saying: you will need a box of tissues as you turn these beautiful pages!... Will have you crying, laughing at times and being thankful for all you have in these times of turmoil for us all! You need to read this! I loved it!’ Goodreads reviewer ?????????? ‘Grab your tissues! This book was an emotional rollercoaster the whole way through and I couldn’t put it down until I was finished... Heartbreaking story but oh so good. I will recommend this one to everybody.’ Goodreads reviewer ?????????? ‘The most truly heartbreaking, but inspiring story I’ve read in a long time. I cried bucket loads... Absolutely loved it.’ NetGalley reviewer ?????????? ‘Wow. Just wow. I love this book... Really touching story and never has a book made me cry. This was first book to make me cry.’ Goodreads reviewer ?????????? ‘A heart-wrenching story... Gosh, I cried and cried more. I felt this book

deeply.' Opened Books

The vast majority of software applications use relational databases that virtually every application developer must work with. This book introduces you to database design, whether you're a DBA or database developer. You'll discover what databases are, their goals, and why proper design is necessary to achieve those goals. Additionally, you'll master how to structure the database so it gives good performance while minimizing the chance for error. You will learn how to decide what should be in a database to meet the application's requirements.

100 Questions (and Answers) About Research Ethics by Emily E Anderson and Amy Corneli is an essential guide for graduate students and researchers in the social and behavioral sciences. It identifies ethical issues that individuals must consider when planning research studies as well as provides guidance on how to address ethical issues that might arise during research implementation. Questions such as assessing risks, to protecting privacy and vulnerable populations, obtaining informed consent, using technology including social media, negotiating the IRB process, and handling data ethically are covered. Acting as a resource for students developing their thesis and dissertation proposals and for junior faculty designing research, this book reflects the latest U.S. federal research regulations to take effect mostly in January 2018.

Easy to understand and to the point--and without any jargon--PRACTICAL MANAGEMENT SCIENCE uses an active-learning approach and realistic problems to help you understand and take advantage of the power of spreadsheet modeling. With real examples and problems drawn from finance, marketing, and operations research, you'll easily come to see how management science applies to your chosen profession and how you can use it on the job. The authors emphasize modeling over algebraic formulations and memorization of particular models. The CD-ROMs packaged with every new book include the following useful add-ins: the Palisade Decision Tools Suite (@RISK, StatTools, PrecisionTree, TopRank, and RISKOptimizer); Solver Table, which allows you to do sensitivity analysis; and Premium Solver for Education from Frontline Systems. All of these add-ins have been revised for Excel 2007. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

With few exceptions, insects are perceived in industrialized countries as undesirable pests. In reality, relatively few insects interfere with us or our resources. Most have benign or positive effects on ecosystem services, and many represent useful resources in non-industrialized countries.

Challenging traditional perceptions of the value of

insects, *Insects and Sustainability of Ecosystem Services* explores the ways insects affect the ecosystem services we depend upon. It also fosters an appreciation for the amazing diversity, adaptive ability, and natural roles of insects. The book discusses how the ways in which we manage insects will determine an ecosystem's capacity to continue to supply services. It reviews aspects of insect physiology, behavior, and ecology that affect their interactions with other ecosystem components and ecosystem services, emphasizing critical effects of insects on the sustainability of ecosystem processes and services. The author examines the integration of insect ecology with self-regulatory aspects of ecosystems that control primary production, energy and nutrient fluxes, and global climate—functions that underlie the sustainability of ecosystem services. Clearly, we need environmental policies that meet needs for pest control where warranted, but do not undermine the important contributions of insects to sustaining ecosystem processes and services. With in-depth coverage of the multiple, often compensatory, effects of insects on various resources or ecosystem services and on the consequences of control tactics for those resources or services, *Insects and Sustainability of Ecosystem Services* recommends changes in perspectives and policies regarding insects that will contribute to sustainability of ecosystem services.

A car dealer shares his insider secrets on how you can dodge the financial pitfalls, avoid the emotional pain, and actually enjoy your car-buying experience! Aims to demythologise a field hitherto dominated by suspicion and fear, that of Russian foreign policy. Much of the research is drawn from previously unavailable Russian sources.

The SAGE Handbook of Applied Social Research Methods, Second Edition provides students and researchers with the most comprehensive resource covering core methods, research designs, and data collection, management, and analysis issues. This thoroughly revised edition continues to place critical emphasis on finding the tools that best fit the research question given the constraints of deadlines, budget, and available staff. Each chapter offers key guidance on how to make intelligent and conscious tradeoffs so that one can refine and hone the research question as new knowledge is gained, unanticipated obstacles are encountered, or contextual shifts take place - all key elements in the iterative nature of applied research. Each chapter has been enhanced pedagogically to include more step-by-step procedures, specific, rich yet practical examples from various settings to illustrate the method, parameters to define when the method is most appropriate and when it is not appropriate, and greater use of visual aids (graphs, models, tip boxes) to provide teaching and learning tools. - twenty core

chapters written by research experts that cover major methods and data analysis issues across the social and behavioral sciences, education, and management; - emphasis on applying research techniques, particularly in "real-world" settings in which there are various data, money, time, and political constraints; - new chapters on mixed methods, qualitative comparative analysis, concept mapping, and internet data collection; - a newly developed section that serves as a guide for students who are navigating through the book and attempting to translate the chapters into action; - a new Instructor's Resources CD, with relevant journal articles, test questions, and exercises to aid the instructor in developing appropriate course materials.

Cliff Ragsdale is an innovator of the spreadsheet teaching revolution and is highly regarded in the field of management science. The sixth edition of **MANAGERIAL DECISION MODELING, 6e, International Edition** retains the elements and philosophy that has made its past editions so successful. This version of **MANAGERIAL DECISION MODELING, 6e, International Edition** has been updated for use with Microsoft® Office Excel® 2010. It provides succinct instruction in the most commonly used management science techniques and shows how these tools can be implemented using the most current version of Excel® for Windows. This text also

focuses on developing both algebraic and spreadsheet modeling skills. Risk Solver Platform replaces Crystal Ball in the sixth edition. Risk Solver Platform includes all of the capabilities of Risk Solver for risk analysis and Monte Carlo simulation, all of the capabilities of Premium solver Platform for optimization, and new capabilities for finding robust optimal decisions using simulation, optimization, stochastic programming, and robust optimization methods.

Valuable software, realistic examples, and fascinating topics . . . everything you need to master the most widely used management science techniques using Microsoft Excel is right here! Learning to make decisions in today's business world takes training and experience. Cliff Ragsdale--the respected innovator in the field of management science--is an outstanding guide to help you learn the skills you need, use Microsoft Excel for Windows to implement those skills, and gain the confidence to apply what you learn to real business situations. **SPREADSHEET MODELING AND DECISION ANALYSIS** gives you step-by-step instructions and annotated screen shots to make examples easy to follow. Plus, interesting sections called *The World of Management Science* show you how each topic has been applied in a real company.

This book provides step-by-step instructions on how to analyze text generated from in-depth interviews and focus groups, relating predominantly to applied qualitative studies. The book covers all aspects of the

qualitative data analysis process, employing a phenomenological approach which has a primary aim of describing the experiences and perceptions of research participants. Similar to Grounded Theory, the authors' approach is inductive, content-driven, and searches for themes within textual data.

A closer, Scripture-based look at the intertwining relationship between worship and evangelism as the foundation for the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

Comprehensive Coordination Chemistry III describes the fundamentals of metal-ligand interactions, provides an overview of the systematic chemistry of this class of compounds, and details their importance in life processes, medicine, industry and materials science. This new edition spans across 9 volumes, 185 entries and 6600 printed pages. Comprehensive Coordination Chemistry III is not just an update of the second edition, it includes a significant amount of new content. In the descriptive sections 3-6, emphasis is placed upon material that has appeared in primary and secondary review literature since the previous edition published. The material in other sections is newly written, with an emphasis on modern aspects of coordination chemistry and the latest developments. The metal-ligand interaction is the link between the award of the 1913 Nobel Prize in Chemistry to Alfred Werner, the father of Coordination Chemistry, the 1987 prize for supramolecular chemistry and the 2016 award for molecular machines. The key role of coordination chemistry in the assembly of hierarchical nano- and micro-dimensioned structures lies at the core of these

applications and so this Major Reference Work bridges several sub-disciplines of chemistry, thus targeting a truly interdisciplinary audience. Provides the go-to foundational resource on coordination chemistry research, providing insights into future directions of the field Written and edited by renowned academics and practitioners from various fields and regions this authoritative and interdisciplinary work is of interest to a large audience, including coordination, supramolecular and molecular chemists Presents content that is clearly structured, organized and cross-referenced to allow students, researchers and professionals to find relevant information quickly and easily

PRACTICAL PROBLEMS IN MATHEMATICS FOR ELECTRICIANS, 9E will give your students the math skills they need to succeed in the electrical trade. It introduces them to the important math principles through problems designed for the electrical profession and offers them an excellent opportunity to develop and practice problem-solving skills while at the same time providing a valuable review of electrical terminology. This new edition uses the same straightforward writing style and simple, step-by-step explanations that made previous editions so reader-friendly. It minimizes theory and emphasizes problem-solving techniques and practice problems. This new edition also includes updated illustrations and information for a better learning experience than ever before! The book begins with basic arithmetic and then, once these basic topics have been mastered, progresses to algebra and concludes with trigonometry. Practical problems with real-world

scenarios from the electrical field are used throughout, allowing your students to apply key mathematical concepts while developing an awareness of basic electrical terms and practices. This is the perfect resource for students entering the electrical industry, or those simply looking to brush up on the necessary math. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

This textbook incorporates the newest technology to facilitate the learning process, saving valuable time for you and your students. The fourth edition continues to provide the core topics for the course, highlighting personal examples to help students relate to the material.

Mathematical Modelling with Case Studies: Using Maple™ and MATLAB®, Third Edition provides students with hands-on modelling skills for a wide variety of problems involving differential equations that describe rates of change. While the book focuses on growth and decay processes, interacting populations, and heating/cooling problems, the mathematical techniques presented can be applied to many other areas. The text carefully details the process of constructing a model, including the conversion of a seemingly complex problem into a much simpler one. It uses flow diagrams and word equations to aid in the model-building process and to develop the mathematical equations. Employing theoretical, graphical, and computational tools, the authors analyze the behavior of the models under changing conditions. The authors often examine a model

numerically before solving it analytically. They also discuss the validation of the models and suggest extensions to the models with an emphasis on recognizing the strengths and limitations of each model. The highly recommended second edition was praised for its lucid writing style and numerous real-world examples. With updated Maple™ and MATLAB® code as well as new case studies and exercises, this third edition continues to give students a clear, practical understanding of the development and interpretation of mathematical models.

A fresh, original look at George Washington as an innovative land manager whose singular passion for farming would unexpectedly lead him to reject slavery. George Washington spent more of his working life farming than he did at war or in political office. For over forty years, he devoted himself to the improvement of agriculture, which he saw as the means by which the American people would attain the “respectability & importance which we ought to hold in the world.” *Washington at the Plow* depicts the “first farmer of America” as a leading practitioner of the New Husbandry, a transatlantic movement that spearheaded advancements in crop rotation. A tireless experimentalist, Washington pulled up his tobacco and switched to wheat production, leading the way for the rest of the country. He filled his library with the latest agricultural treatises and pioneered land-management techniques that he hoped would guide small farmers, strengthen agrarian society, and ensure the prosperity of the nation. Slavery was a key part of Washington’s

pursuits. He saw enslaved field workers and artisans as means of agricultural development and tried repeatedly to adapt slave labor to new kinds of farming. To this end, he devised an original and exacting system of slave supervision. But Washington eventually found that forced labor could not achieve the productivity he desired. His inability to reconcile ideals of scientific farming and rural order with race-based slavery led him to reconsider the traditional foundations of the Virginia plantation. As Bruce Ragsdale shows, it was the inefficacy of chattel slavery, as much as moral revulsion at the practice, that informed Washington's famous decision to free his slaves after his death.

Handbook of Statistical Analysis and Data Mining Applications, Second Edition, is a comprehensive professional reference book that guides business analysts, scientists, engineers and researchers, both academic and industrial, through all stages of data analysis, model building and implementation. The handbook helps users discern technical and business problems, understand the strengths and weaknesses of modern data mining algorithms and employ the right statistical methods for practical application. This book is an ideal reference for users who want to address massive and complex datasets with novel statistical approaches and be able to objectively evaluate analyses and solutions. It has clear, intuitive explanations of the principles and tools for solving problems using modern analytic techniques and discusses their application to real problems in ways accessible and beneficial to practitioners across several areas—from science and engineering, to medicine, academia and commerce. Includes input by practitioners for practitioners Includes tutorials in numerous fields of study that

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provide step-by-step instruction on how to use supplied tools to build models Contains practical advice from successful real-world implementations Brings together, in a single resource, all the information a beginner needs to understand the tools and issues in data mining to build successful data mining solutions Features clear, intuitive explanations of novel analytical tools and techniques, and their practical applications

Master today's important spreadsheet and business analytics skills with **SPREADSHEET MODELING AND DECISION ANALYSIS: A PRACTICAL INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS ANALYTICS, 9E**, written by respected business analytics innovator Cliff Ragsdale. This edition's clear presentation, realistic examples and fascinating topics help you become proficient in today's most widely used business analytics techniques using the latest version of Excel in Microsoft Office 365 or Office 2019. Become skilled in using the newest Excel functions and tools as well as Analytic Solver and Data Mining add-ins. This edition helps you develop both algebraic and spreadsheet modeling skills with step-by-step instructions and annotated, full-color screen images that make examples easy to follow. Special sections, such as World of Business Analytics, emphasize how to apply what you learn about descriptive, predictive and prescriptive analytics to today's real business situations. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

A well-written interpretive history of Russia from earliest times to today--a recounting of the story of Russia's past that is rich with insights into the nation's present torment. The author discusses Russia's strengths and weaknesses as a civilization, the dilemmas that have always confronted it, and the challenges posed by the contemporary effort to remake Russia. In ten chronological and thematic chapters, the

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author --describes the distinctive nature of Russia's experience as an Eastern civilization, of Europe, but not of the West; --evokes the ways in which Russia's culture, especially its rich literature, has both embodied and expressed the nation's ambivalent identity; --chronicles the periodic efforts of the Russian state, over three centuries, to catch up with the West without becoming Western; With grace and good sense, Ragsdale revisits the past not to explain, justify, or condemn, but to illuminate the present. Developed for test-takers who need a refresher, Manhattan Prep's GMAT Foundations of Math provides a user-friendly review of basic math concepts crucial for GMAT success. GMAT Foundations of Math comes with robust online resources, including a practice test, question banks, and interactive video lessons. Written by active instructors with 99th-percentile scores, this guide is designed with the student in mind. Designed to be user-friendly for all students, GMAT Foundations of Math provides: 700+ practice problems for realistic review Easy-to-follow explanations of fundamental math concepts Step-by-step application of concepts to example problems GMAT Foundations of Math is an invaluable resource for any student who wants to cement their understanding and build their basic math skills for the GMAT.

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