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The Bader Collection stands among the great private collections of its kind in the world. For the past 40 years Dr. Alfred Bader of Milwaukee has donated works to the Agnes Etherington Art Centre at his Canadian alma mater, Queens University, where the entire Bader Collection will be housed. This extraordinary collection demonstrates a rich interplay of interests and insights, at the same time drawing back the curtain on the motivations and principles behind these remarkable acquisitions, whose history dates back to 1950. This scholarly publication presents 200 Dutch and Flemish Baroque paintings that form the collections focus. Exhaustively researched, the richly illustrated entries present each painting in detail. An introductory essay explores the life of this remarkable collector and the motivations that drive his pursuit of the art of the Age of Rembrandt with such passion and insight.

The participation of endothelial cells in various physiologic and pathologic processes has been hypothesized since before the turn of the century. However, until recently, direct evidence for endothelial involvement in these processes has been extremely difficult to obtain due to the inability to study endothelial cell function in vitro. Though the possibility of using cultured endothelial cells to study endothelial cell function in vitro was recognized many years ago, the inability to culture unambiguously identifiable endothelial cells limited investigators in their studies of endothelial function. As a result, the field of endothelial cell biology lay relatively fallow for many years. The development in the early 1970's of routine and easily implemented methods for culturing human endothelial cells and the demonstration that cultured endothelial cells synthesized a physiologically relevant protein, Factor VIII/von Willebrand Factor, quickly changed this state of affairs. Over the following decade the scope of endothelial cell research rapidly widened, spreading in a number of directions. First, methods were developed to culture endothelial cells from a variety of species. Second, methods were developed to culture endothelial cells from different organs and types of blood vessels (arteries, veins, and capillaries) within a single species. Third, and most important, investigators began using cultured endothelial cells as tools to study the potential involvement of endothelial cells in a wide assortment of biologically interesting processes. The net result has been a tremendous increase in our understanding of endothelial cell function.

Rule-based fuzzy modeling has been recognised as a powerful technique for the modeling of partly-known nonlinear systems. Fuzzy models can effectively integrate information from different sources, such as physical laws, empirical models, measurements and heuristics. Application areas of fuzzy models include prediction, decision support, system analysis, control design, etc. Fuzzy Modeling for Control addresses fuzzy modeling from the systems and control engineering points of view. It focuses on the selection of appropriate model structures, on the acquisition of dynamic fuzzy models from process measurements (fuzzy identification), and on the design of nonlinear controllers based on fuzzy models. To automatically generate fuzzy models from measurements, a comprehensive methodology is developed which employs fuzzy clustering techniques to partition the available data into subsets characterized by locally linear behaviour. The relationships between the presented identification method and linear regression are exploited, allowing for the combination of fuzzy logic techniques with standard system identification tools. Attention is paid to the trade-off between the accuracy and transparency of the obtained fuzzy models. Control design based on a fuzzy model of a nonlinear dynamic process is addressed, using the concepts of model-based predictive control and internal model control with an inverted fuzzy model. To this end, methods to exactly invert specific types of fuzzy models are presented. In the context of predictive control, branch-and-bound optimization is applied. The main features of the presented techniques are illustrated by means of simple examples. In addition, three real-world applications are described. Finally, software tools for building fuzzy models from measurements are available from the author.

This text provides an insight into the wear processes which take place during the cutting of rock with steel cutting tools. Rock cutting experiments in different rock types leading to a new approach to the estimation of rock cutting tool wear are described.

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Ten top wildlife artists, including Robert Bateman, Richard Ellis, and Roger Tory Peterson, talk about their careers, their approach to painting, and sources of inspiration. Optical coherence tomography (OCT) is the optical analog of ultrasound imaging and is emerging as a powerful imaging technique that enables non-invasive, in vivo, high resolution, cross-sectional imaging in biological tissue. This book introduces OCT technology and applications not only from an optical and technological viewpoint, but also from biomedical and clinical perspectives. The chapters are written by leading research groups, in a style comprehensible to a broad audience.

Discusses the use of leveled texts in kindergarten through eighth-grade classrooms, examines the "text base" needed for effective language literacy instruction, provides guidelines for creating a high-quality leveled book collection and matching books to readers, and explains how to analyze and level books.

Colorful maps trace political, military, and religious events from the growth of the Egyptian civilization to the end of World War II.

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This volume presents the proceedings of a symposium on rock mechanics, held in the USA in 1995. Topics covered include: rock dynamics; tool-rock interaction; radioactive waste disposal; underground mining; fragmentation and blasting; theoretical and model studies; hydrology; and rock creep.

Not merely a review of existing techniques of rock breakage as applied in the field, the book covers important technical and scientific areas and resolves some of the differences of opinion and controversy surrounding the theory and applications of rock breakage and explosives.

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Chardin and Rembrandt is an unfinished essay written around 1895 by Marcel Proust. Oft overlooked in Proust's illustrious writing career, this book is a newly translated version by David Zwirner Books as one of the first two entries in its ekphrasis series. This essay is a literary experiment in which an unnamed narrator gives advice to a young man suffering from melancholy, taking him on an imaginary tour through the Louvre where his readings of Chardin imbue the everyday world with new meaning, and his ruminations on Rembrandt take his melancholic pupil beyond the realm of mere objects.

Understanding attenuation processes is important not only for predicting the behavior of contaminants in soil and formulating remediation strategies, but also for mitigating and enhancing the availability of micronutrients in soil for agricultural applications. Natural Attenuation of Trace Element Availability in Soils brings together pioneering re

For many decades the Agnes Etherington Art Centre has received European paintings from the Bader Collection from a wide range of periods and schools, from the German Renaissance to the Italian Rococo. This book features the centre's substantial group of over 50 remarkable paintings from European schools, notably Italy, Germany, France and England.

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This book presents a concise synthesis of the current knowledge and recent advances in the structure, organization and functional role of the cytoskeleton in endothelial cells. Particular attention has been given to the different features of the regulation of vascular function mediated by the endothelium. Since cytoskeleton is a scaffolding element that regulates the architecture of the cell and additionally controls several fundamental aspects of intracellular signaling, this book will serve as a comprehensive resource for those interested in these fascinating biological processes associated with vascular biology. The book has been divided into two major sections: general aspects of the endothelial cytoskeleton and the role of the role of the endothelial cytoskeleton in different functions of the vascular wall.

This text deals with the dredging of rock by large cutter suction dredgers. The rock properties influencing the mechanical cutting of rock and the wear of cutting teeth are examined, and to verify the model of mechanical rock excavation developed, case studies of dredging projects were performed.

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