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What is human resource strategy? How are human resources strategies formulated and how can we explain the variance between what is espoused and what is actually implemented? What impact – if any – does human resource strategy have on the organization's "bottom line," and how can this impact be explained? Is there one best HR strategy for all firms, or is the impact of HR strategy on performance contingent on some set of organizational, technological or environmental factors? Human Resource Strategy, 2nd edition, provides an overview of the academic and practitioner responses to these and other questions. Applying an integrative framework, the authors review 30 years' worth of empirical and theoretical research in an attempt to reconcile often-conflicting conceptual models and competing empirical results. Complex theoretical models and scientific findings are presented in an accessible and relevant way, in the context of the strategic decisions that executives are forced to make on a regular basis. This new edition features an updated literature review, coverage of the latest challenges to HR strategy, new mini-cases, discussion questions, additional examples, and an emphasis on the strategic implications of the research, making it an ideal resource for students and practitioners alike.

Understanding the recent developments in renewable energy is crucial for a range of fields in today's society. As environmental awareness and the need for a more sustainable future continues to grow, the uses of renewable energy, particularly in areas such as smart grid, must be considered and studied thoroughly to be implemented successfully and move society toward a more sustainable future. Optimal Planning of Smart Grid With Renewable Energy Resources offers a detailed guide to the new problems and opportunities for sustainable growth in engineering by focusing on modeling diverse problems occurring in science and engineering as well as novel effective theoretical methods and robust optimization theories, which can be used to analyze and solve multiple types of problems. Covering topics such as electric drives and energy systems, this publication is ideal for researchers, academicians, industry professionals, engineers, scholars, instructors, and students.

The success of many companies through the assistance of bitcoin proves that technology continually dominates and transforms how economics operate. However, a deeper, more conceptual understanding of how these technologies work to identify innovation opportunities and how to successfully thrive in an increasingly competitive environment is needed for the entrepreneurs of tomorrow. Transforming Businesses With Bitcoin Mining and Blockchain Applications provides innovative insights into IT infrastructure and emerging trends in the realm of digital business technologies. This publication analyzes and extracts information from Bitcoin networks and provides the necessary steps to designing open blockchain. Highlighting topics that include financial markets, risk management, and smart technologies, the research contained within the title is ideal for entrepreneurs, business professionals, managers, executives, academicians, researchers, and business students.

With its unique mix of theory, historical discussion, case studies, and contemporary analysis, this book provides a complete and detailed comprehension of the business environment in Central America, with a focus specifically on Guatemala. Identifying the key drivers of Central America economic growth and development, it outlines what must be done to take advantage of the opportunities as Guatemala moves into the future. This book will serve as a valuable resource for IB scholars and students seeking to learn more about the changing focus and interests of Central America, and the implications and opportunities this poses for global business interests.

This book presents the proceedings of the Computing Conference 2019, providing a comprehensive collection of chapters focusing on core areas of computing and their real-world applications. Computing is an extremely broad discipline, encompassing a range of specialized fields, each focusing on particular areas of technology and types of application, and the conference offered pioneering researchers, scientists, industrial engineers, and students from around the globe a platform to share new ideas and development experiences. Providing state-of-the-art intelligent methods and techniques for solving real-world problems, the book inspires further research and technological advances in this important area.

Customer relationship management (CRM) as a strategy and as a technology has gone through an amazing evolutionary journey. The initial technological approach was followed by many disappointing initiatives only to see the maturing of the underlying concepts and applications in recent years. Today, CRM represents a strategy, a set of tactics, and a technology that have become indispensable in the modern economy. This book presents an extensive treatment of the strategic and tactical aspects of customer relationship management as we know it today. It stresses developing an understanding of economic customer value as the guiding concept for marketing decisions. The goal of the book is to serve as a comprehensive and up-to-date learning companion for advanced undergraduate students, master's degree students, and executives who want a detailed and conceptually sound insight into the field of CRM.

“Every thinking American must read” (The Washington Book Review) this startling and “insightful” (The New York Times) look at how concentrated financial power and consumerism has transformed American politics, and business. Going back to our country’s founding, Americans once had a coherent and clear understanding of political tyranny, one crafted by Thomas Jefferson and updated for the industrial age by Louis Brandeis. A concentration of power—whether by government or banks—was understood as autocratic and dangerous to individual liberty and democracy. In the 1930s, people observed that the Great Depression was caused by financial concentration in the hands of a few whose misuse of their power induced a financial collapse. They drew on this tradition to craft the New Deal. In Goliath, Matt Stoller explains how authoritarianism and populism have returned to American politics for the first time in eighty years, as the outcome of the 2016 election shook our faith in democratic institutions. It has brought to the fore dangerous forces that many modern Americans never even knew existed. Today’s bitter recriminations and panic represent more than just fear of the future, they reflect a basic confusion about what is happening and the historical backstory that brought us to this moment. The true effects of populism, a shrinking middle class, and concentrated financial wealth are only just beginning to manifest themselves under the current administrations. The lessons of Stoller’s study will only grow more relevant as time passes. “An engaging call to arms,” (Kirkus Reviews) Stoller illustrates here in rich detail how we arrived at this tenuous moment, and the steps we must take to create a new democracy.

Readers develop an understanding of the core principles of IS and how it is practiced today with PRINCIPLES OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS, 13th edition. This edition combines the latest research with the most current coverage available as content highlights IS-related careers. Readers explore the challenges and risks of computer crimes, hacking, and cyberterrorism as well as the most current research on big data, analytics, and global IS and social networking. In addition, readers examine business intelligence; cloud computing; e-commerce; enterprise systems; ethical, legal, and social issues of information systems; mobile computing; project management; strategic planning; and systems acquisition. Readers learn how information systems can increase profits and reduce costs as they explore new information on artificial intelligence, change management, data governance, energy and environmental concerns, Internet of Everything, Internet censorship and net neutrality, virtual teams, and more. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may

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Analytics of Life provides the reader with a broad overview of the field of data analytics and artificial intelligence. It provides the layperson an understanding of the various stages of artificial intelligence, the risks and powerful benefits. And it provides a way to look at big data and machine learning that enables us to make the most of this exciting new realm of technology in our day-to-day jobs and our small businesses. Questions you can find answers* * What is artificial intelligence (AI)? * What is the difference between AI, machine learning and data analytics? * Which jobs AI will replace, which jobs are safe from data analytics revolution? * Why data analytics is the best career move? * How can I apply data analytics in my job or small business? Who is this book for? * Managers and business professionals * Marketers, product managers, and business strategists * Entrepreneurs, founders and startups team members * Consultants, advisors and educators * Almost anybody who has an interest in the future According to an article by Cade Metz in The New York Times, "Researchers say computer systems are learning from lots and lots of digitized books and news articles that could bake old attitudes into new technology." Oxford University professor Nick Bostrom argues that if machine brains surpassed human brains in general intelligence, then this new superintelligence could become extremely powerful - possibly beyond our control. MIT professor Max Tegmark describes and illuminates the recent, ground-breaking advances in Artificial Intelligence and how it might overtake human intelligence. As Oxford University economist Daniel Susskind points out, technological progress could bring about unprecedented prosperity, solving one of humanity's oldest problems: how to make sure that everyone has enough to live on. Distinguished AI researcher and professor of computer science at UC Berkeley, Russell Stuart suggests that we can rebuild AI on a new foundation, according to which machines are designed to be inherently uncertain about the human preferences they are required to satisfy. Industry experts claim that AI will have a negative impact on blue-collar jobs, but Mert predicts that Americans and Europeans will experience a strong impact on white-collar jobs as well. And Mert also provides research results and a clear description of which jobs will be affected and how soon, which jobs could be enhanced with AI. Analytics of Life also provides solutions and insight into some of the most profound changes to come in human history.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the First International Conference on Smart Blockchain, SmartBlock 2018, held in Tokyo, Japan, in December 2018. The 17 papers presented in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 102 submissions. They focus on a broad range of topics in the area of blockchain, from privacy-preserving solutions to designing advanced blockchain mechanism, from empirical studies to practical manuals.

This book provides an overview of emerging topics in the field of hardware security, such as artificial intelligence and quantum computing, and highlights how these technologies can be leveraged to secure hardware and assure electronics supply chains. The authors are experts in emerging technologies, traditional hardware design, and hardware security and trust. Readers will gain a comprehensive understanding of hardware security problems and how to overcome them through an efficient combination of conventional approaches and emerging technologies, enabling them to design secure, reliable, and trustworthy hardware. Offers a high-level introduction to current hardware security problems; Provides a thorough discussion of a wide variety of emerging topics and technologies (e.g., artificial intelligence, blockchain, and quantum computing) and their applications to hardware security problems; Covers state-of-the-art techniques, as well as ongoing research efforts in emerging technologies in hardware security; Provides guidance and techniques to design and security engineers on protecting their design using emerging technologies.

The increased digitization and automation taking place at a rapid pace across all the spheres of our activity are creating a world of

unforeseen convenience. However, we are put to an unimaginable risk of cyber-threats. At the same time, there is a lack of trust sweeping across with the counterparties and a tremendous threat to the privacy of the global citizens with the trusted third parties like governments and organizations that are unable to prevent breaches of data and malicious cyber-attacks. In such a scenario, how do we de-risk our transactions from these threats and still take advantage of the digital transformation pioneered by the emerging technologies? Blockchain! So, what is this Blockchain technology and how does it endow its users with all these compelling benefits? Let us dissect the various components of this technology and demystify the various aspects and be prepared for the revolution ahead! Srinivas is one of the few individuals in the country who really understands Blockchain! His book truly demystifies this topic and has a lot of insights. It's a must-read for anyone interested in understanding this new technology. - Hari T.N. Author, Investor, Start-up Evangelist Co-Author, Saying No to Jugaad - The Making of BigBasket This book is indeed a great effort to put Blockchain in a right perspective with respect to its utility beyond the Bitcoin for Enterprises, NGO's, Government and Institutions. - Dr. M. Muneer Founder -Medici Inst, MD - Rezonent India, CEO - CustomerLab

Why do some companies succeed better than others? It is well known that there are many variables such which may impact a company's performance. The authors present their new model for Market Proactiveness which shows organizations how to anticipate change and respond to it before they are forced to do so, and improve their overall performance.

Blockchain is a digital, decentralized technology that is continually growing and making quite a mark in digital marketing. Blockchain has brought a drastic change to technology in the last few years, and it is referred to as distributed ledger technology (DLT), which makes the historical backdrop of any computerized resource unalterable and straightforward using decentralization and cryptographic hashing.

Blockchain is transforming digital marketing by removing companies' abilities to pull data from customers without also offering to reimburse them for its value. Marketers can leverage the technology's positive attributes that customers are searching for in today's digital landscape, both in transparency and data protection. In terms of digital marketing, blockchain is one of the most important topics for its applications in the marketing field. Blockchain Technology and Applications for Digital Marketing provides insights on blockchain technology and its applications in digital marketing. This book grants a comprehensive understanding of how this technology is functioning within modern marketing and how it can influence the future of the digital marketing industry. The chapters cover the applications of blockchain, benefits and challenges, disruptive innovations in digital marketing, privacy and security concerns, and the recent trends of blockchain in digital marketing. It is ideally intended for marketers, advertisers, brand managers, executives, managers, IT specialists and consultants, researchers, businesses, practitioners, stakeholders, academicians, and students interested in blockchain technology and its role in digital marketing.

We live in disruptive times. The world is changing faster than ever before, leaving people dazed, businesses struggling, economies floundering and societies fracturing. But why? Transition Point is the result of over five years of research to establish the answer; a breathtaking tale of freedom, unintended consequences and disruptive technologies that starts 1000 years ago and ends up in the second half of the 21st Century. Starting with an examination into the drivers of technological change and the social, economic and political factors that both enable or suppress it, Transition Point explains why industrialisation happened where and when it did, why progress comes in waves, and why the technologies in the current wave, such as robotics, blockchain and AI, are likely to be the most disruptive of all. It then addresses the million-dollar question: what's next? What impact will this wave have on our businesses, our economies and most importantly, on our society? Culey explores how our current trajectory could result in a new golden age, but also how it is just as likely to result in a digital

dictatorship of compliance and constant surveillance. Finally, he explains why we may soon see Homo sapiens' role as the dominant species come to an end. As Klaus Schwab, founder of the World Economic Forum, stated; "We stand on the brink of a technological revolution that will fundamentally alter the way we live, work, and relate to one another. In its scale, scope, and complexity, the transformation will be unlike anything humankind has experienced before." Transition Point explains why this is happening, what it means, and why the decisions we make now will prove to be critical.

Every industry will be positively affected by blockchain and AI technology at some point. However, blockchain is a misunderstood technology within the publishing realm. The scholarly publishing industry can significantly improve the flow of research, drive down costs, and introduce new efficiencies in the publishing industry with these new technologies. The scholarly publishing industry is in its early days of the digital transformation, and blockchain and AI technology could play a major role in this. However, the industry has been resistant to change. These reasons include but are not limited to staying with legacy systems, cost of new platforms, changing cultures, and understanding and adopting new technologies. With proper research and information provided, the publishing industry can adopt these technologies for beneficial advancements and the generation of a bright future. Transforming Scholarly Publishing With Blockchain Technologies and AI explores the changing landscape of scholarly publishing and how blockchain technologies and AI are slowly being integrated and used within the industry. This book covers both the benefits and challenges of implementing technology and provides both cases and new developments. Topics highlighted include business model developments, new efficiencies in scholarly publishing, blockchain in research libraries, knowledge discovery, and blockchain in academic publishing. This book is a valuable reference tool for publishers, IT specialists, technologists, publishing vendors, researchers, academicians, and students who are interested in how blockchain technologies and AI are transforming and developing a modern scholarly publishing industry.

Learn to make successful ethical decisions in the midst of the new business realities of 2020 and 2021 with Ferrell/Fraedrich/Ferrell's market-leading BUSINESS ETHICS: ETHICAL DECISION MAKING AND CASES, 13E. Packed with current examples and exercises, this edition demonstrates how to integrate ethics into key strategic business decisions as reorganized chapters clearly present the ethical decision-making process in today's complex ethical, legal, social and political environments. New scenarios highlight 2020 economic and pandemic realities and preview ethical challenges you are most likely to encounter as a new manager. Updates address the processes and best practices behind successful business ethics programs as well as the latest legislation and new coverage of global sustainability and corporate social responsibility. New and original cases provide insights into ethics in familiar organizations, such as Tesla and TOMS, while exercises reinforce concepts with hands-on applications. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The Digital Renaissance of Work: Delivering Digital Workplaces Fit for the Future takes the reader on a journey into the emerging technology-led revival of work. Paul Miller's follow up to his critically acclaimed The Digital Workplace picks up the story to provide organizations with an understanding of the structural and organizational implications the emerging technology has for the workplace. His insights, backed by the considerable research of the Digital Workplace Forum, offer a lifeline to organizations needing to make better sense of a very uncertain future.

The growing complexity of today's interconnected systems has not only increased the need for improved information security, but also helped to move information from the IT backroom to the executive boardroom as a strategic asset. And, just like the tip of an iceberg is all you see

until you run into it, the risks to your information are mostly invi

While there are many books on blockchains, this guide focuses on blockchain applications for business. The target audience is business students, professionals, and managers who want to learn about the overall blockchain landscape -- the investments, the size of markets, major players and the global reach -- as well as the potential business value of blockchain applications and the challenges that must be overcome to achieve that value. We present use cases and derive action principles for building enterprise blockchain capabilities. Readers will learn enough about the underlying technologies to speak intelligently to technology experts in the space, as the guide also covers the blockchain protocols, code bases and provides a glossary of terms. We use this guide as the textbook for our undergraduate and graduate Blockchain Fundamentals course at the University of Arkansas. Other professors interested in adopting this guide for instructional purposes are welcome to contact the author for supporting instructional materials.

For more than 20 years, Network World has been the premier provider of information, intelligence and insight for network and IT executives responsible for the digital nervous systems of large organizations. Readers are responsible for designing, implementing and managing the voice, data and video systems their companies use to support everything from business critical applications to employee collaboration and electronic commerce.

An expert offers a set of rules that will help managers achieve dramatic improvements in operations performance. In recent years, management gurus have urged businesses to adopt such strategies as just-in-time, lean manufacturing, offshoring, and frequent deliveries to retail outlets. But today, these much-touted strategies may be risky. Global financial turmoil, rising labor costs in developing countries, and huge volatility in the price of oil and other commodities can disrupt a company's entire supply chain and threaten its ability to compete. In *Operations Rules*, David Simchi-Levi identifies the crucial element in a company's success: the link between the value it provides its customers and its operations strategies. And he offers a set of scientifically and empirically based rules that management can follow to achieve a quantum leap in operations performance. Flexibility, says Simchi-Levi, is the single most important capability that allows firms to innovate in their operations and supply chain strategies. A small investment in flexibility can achieve almost all the benefits of full flexibility. And successful companies do not all pursue the same strategies. Amazon and Wal-Mart, for example, are direct competitors but each focuses on a different market channel and provides a unique customer value proposition—Amazon, large selection and reliable fulfillment; Wal-Mart, low prices—that directly aligns with its operations strategy. Simchi-Levi's rules—regarding such issues as channels, price, product characteristics, value-added service, procurement strategy, and information technolog—transform operations and supply chain management from an undertaking based on gut feeling and anecdotes to a science.

Walmart provides a detailed assessment of the world's largest retailer that forever changed the face of retailing. The book examines Walmart's successes, failures, and whether it can stay ahead for the next 50 years. Despite being a source for best practice in procurement, logistics, systems and store format innovation, the retail giant is now facing several issues that affect its future development. Starting from its inception in rural Arkansas in 1962, this objective analysis of Walmart's history addresses the rapid change of retail, including the rise of e-commerce and multi-channel retailing; Walmart International and its 'everyday low prices' philosophy; the saturation of the superstore format, and much more. In a time of rapid change, will the world's largest retailer be able to reconfigure? Walmart provides the necessary insights for retailers, advertisers, other business professionals and students to understand how Walmart became a retail giant, the lessons that can be learned, and what is in store for the future.

This edited book describes new trends in supply chain design and management with an emphasis on technologies and methodologies. It contains guidelines detailing the real-world applications of these technologies and methodologies. This book is of interest to researchers and practitioners and can also be used as a reference handbook by lecturers and postgraduate students in this field.

Readers gain an overview of the core principles of IS and how it is practiced today as the concise, nine-chapter **FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS**, 9th edition combines the latest research with the most current coverage available. The book addresses analytics; big data; business intelligence; cloud computing; cybercrime; information system security; e-commerce; enterprise systems; ethical, legal, and social issues of information systems; mobile computing solutions; and systems acquisition and development. Readers learn how information systems can increase profits and reduce costs as they explore the latest information on artificial intelligence, change management, consumerization of information systems, data governance, energy and environmental concerns, global IS challenges, Internet of Everything, Internet censorship and net neutrality, IS careers, and virtual teams. Maximize success as an employee, decision maker, and business leader with this streamlined, contemporary resource. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The sports industry had impressive global growth over the years, with factors from the introduction of e-sports and new streaming and viewing methods to sponsorships and digital media contributing to its rise. However, the COVID-19 pandemic brought upon a rapid change in this sector. Sports' seasons ended abruptly, people's escape from reality suddenly vanished, their spending attitudes changed, live games and commercial flights were suspended, hotels were impossible to book, and consumers practically turned into prisoners within their own homes. No live sports matches were to follow on any media either, so specialized sports channels were forced to play old recordings rather than broadcasting new events. Even athletes themselves struggle to stay relevant and thus, try to utilize creative methods to enhance their brand value in these difficult times. With most of the sports leagues shut down during the pandemic, with a few exceptions which performed in empty venues, the restrictions diminished the sports experience compared to the pre-COVID-19 era and the impacts were widespread. *Impacts and Implications for the Sports Industry in the Post-COVID-19 Era* explores the changes that have been and will continue to be created by the unexpected disruptions that occurred as a result of the pandemic within the sports industry, fans consumption, and recreational habits. The chapters explore the status of sports after the pandemic, paths to recovery, and the future of sports, along with the many impacts and issues that have arisen due to changes in the industry necessitated by COVID-19. Covering important topics such as mental health, impacts on athletes and coaches, the market value for professional sports, consumer behavior during COVID-19, and the changes in marketing, tourism, and business, this book is ideally intended for sports managers, marketers,

broadcasting agencies, media specialists, brand managers, fitness professionals, practitioners, stakeholders, researchers, academicians, and students interested in the impacts on the sports industry and the outlook for sports in the post-COVID-19 era.

Transforming Scholarly Publishing With Blockchain Technologies and AIGI Global

This book gathers together research from three key application themes of modelling in operational research - modelling to support evaluation and change in organisations; modelling within the development and use of organisational information systems; and the use of modelling approaches to support, enable and enhance decision support in organisational contexts. The issues raised provide valuable insight into the range of ways in which operational research techniques and practices are being successfully applied in today's information-centred business world. Modelling for Added Value provides a window onto current research and practise in modelling techniques and highlights their rising importance across the business, industrial and commercial sectors. The book contains contributions from a mix of academics and practitioners and covers a range of complex and diverse modelling issues, highlighting the broad appeal of this increasingly important subject area.

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 38th International Conference on Conceptual Modeling, ER 2019, held in Salvador, Brazil, in November 2019. The 22 full and 22 short papers presented together with 4 keynotes were carefully reviewed and selected from 142 submissions. This events covers a wide range of topics, covered in the following sessions: conceptual modeling, big data technology I, process modeling and analysis, query approaches, big data technology II, domain specific models I, domain specific models II, decision making, complex systems modeling, model unification, big data technology III, and requirements modeling.

Recently, cryptocurrencies have made major news headlines. Some people have invested in them, while others have watched in confusion, not sure what it all means. Kyle Michaud admirably takes on the task of unraveling the complexities, taking us through the history of Bitcoin's beginnings before delving into Blockchain's great potential as a distributed decentralized database to change the current third-party paradigm when it comes to everything from healthcare to banking to car sales. You won't find a clearer explanation for Blockchain anywhere, nor a more practical guide in terms of how it can concretely be applied to your everyday life.

"This book investigates the blockchain technology, its adoption and effectiveness in banking and other industry, and in general, for IoT based applications"--

In this new volume, Frederick Betz addresses industrial technology issues from two different perspectives: management concepts and technical concepts, distinguishes between the technology management needs of government and industry,

provides a contemporary overview of MOT from one of its original creators, clarifies complex issues and helps the reader visualize future MOT problems, and describes economic development in the historical context of scientific change. For me and other tech people, leaders, and members of remote teams, we will be awakened by all the fantastic hands-on hints, best practices, and guiding principles based on solid ground that Hubbert provides in Inspiring Remote Tech Teams. We will be better prepared and better equipped to both contribute and lead efficiently in the digital economies that shape the future of our world. — Thomas DiGiacomo, President of Engineering and Innovation at SUSE Inspiring Remote Tech Teams is a trail map to building effective teams and organizations—now, as world health dictates remote work, and in the future, as global talent pools contribute to our digital economy. Humans are wired to be social, and world events require social distancing from our office community. The absence of "community" triggers primitive brain responses. These instinctual responses of survival, social belonging, and the power of story all profoundly surface during our reaction as we adjust to remote work. This trail map for team leaders improves team execution despite physical separation. The book covers simple neuroscience as it applies to our "separation." It is a hands-on guide to maintaining and improving teamwork while working remotely. It is also a hands-on guide at the intersection of teams + remote + laymen's neuroscience to create a positive sense of enthusiasm, engagement, and contribution, even when working apart. Remote teams, now and for the future, are the pathway to using global talent effectively. This book examines the combination of the "hard skills" of tech team project management and the "soft skills" of healthy distributed teams: remote offices, sales offices, partners, suppliers, customers, and teams engaging global talent pools. Practical examples and best practices offer hands-on methods to use neuroscience to help teams be their best, to improve collaboration, and to deliver consistent team results.

This groundbreaking book introduces the application of statistical methodologies to e-Commerce data. With the expanding presence of technology in today's economic market, the use of the Internet for buying, selling, and investing is growing more popular and public in nature. Statistical Methods in e-Commerce Research is the first book of its kind to focus on the statistical models and methods that are essential in order to analyze information from electronic-commerce (e-Commerce) transactions, identify the challenges that arise with new e-Commerce data structures, and discover new knowledge about consumer activity. This collection gathers over thirty researchers and practitioners from the fields of statistics, computer science, information systems, and marketing to discuss the growing use of statistical methods in e-Commerce research. From privacy protection to economic impact, the book first identifies the many obstacles that are encountered while collecting, cleaning, exploring, and analyzing e-Commerce data. Solutions to these problems are then suggested using established and newly developed statistical and data mining methods. Finally, a look into the future of this evolving area of study is provided through an in-depth discussion of the emerging methods for conducting e-Commerce research. Statistical Methods in e-Commerce Research successfully bridges the gap between statistics and e-Commerce, introducing a statistical approach to solving challenges that arise in the context of online transactions, while also introducing a wide range of e-Commerce applications and problems where novel statistical methodology is

warranted. It is an ideal text for courses on e-Commerce at the upper-undergraduate and graduate levels and also serves as a valuable reference for researchers and analysts across a wide array of subject areas, including economics, marketing, and information systems who would like to gain a deeper understanding of the use of statistics in their work.

Now today's managers can prepare to successfully oversee and understand information systems with Reynold's INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR MANAGERS, 2E. This practical, insightful book prepares current and future managers to understand the critical business implications of information technology. A wealth of actual contemporary examples demonstrate how successful managers can apply information technology to improve their organizations. A new chapter on IT security, hands-on scenarios and practical cases give readers an opportunity to apply what they're learning. This edition's solid framework helps define the manager's important role in information technology and in working effectively with all members of the organization to achieve results. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

This book on computer security threats explores the computer security threats and includes a broad set of solutions to defend the computer systems from these threats. The book is triggered by the understanding that digitalization and growing dependence on the Internet poses an increased risk of computer security threats in the modern world. The chapters discuss different research frontiers in computer security with algorithms and implementation details for use in the real world. Researchers and practitioners in areas such as statistics, pattern recognition, machine learning, artificial intelligence, deep learning, data mining, data analytics and visualization are contributing to the field of computer security. The intended audience of this book will mainly consist of researchers, research students, practitioners, data analysts, and business professionals who seek information on computer security threats and its defensive measures.

".... a can-do business strategy approach for all supply chain managers and business leaders". - MJ Park, Supply Chain Team Leader, GM Korea. ".... a rare book on supply chain strategy and a must read for start-ups". - YH Li, Supply Chain Manager, Shanghai GM. "Shawn Paul represents the best of what global business can be. As someone who has a deep understanding of engineering and regulatory processes and challenges across the US, Asia and EU, he is able to identify collaborative relationships others overlook.... Shawn Paul is expanding the way business gets done and reaches out across organizational and geographic boundaries to ensure that the best solutions find their way to market and the customers who need them. A true global thinker, innovator and leader." - Mark Roser, Innovation & NPD consultant, Founder @ Open Innovators. "[Shawn Paul] ... His attention to detail, ability in understanding execution timing, place him in a very special group of project managers. His experience in China and Korea lend credence to his ability to work at a global perspective." - Bob Conn, Operations Manager, General Motors. "[Shawn Paul] ... a real problem solver with a calm, distinct character that's a rare find in the industry. Shawn has proven his capability of managing high performance teams. He is a leader and a mentor to many." - Mike Dickey, Thyssen Krupp. Some leaders fundamentally alter the status quo whilst others guide quietly. Most leadership books emphasise specific rules, but

Tom Cronin and Michael Genovese see leadership as filled with paradox. Leadership Matters offers a different view of leadership - one that builds community and responds creatively to new situations. Cronin and Genovese argue that leadership is about more than just charisma and set leaders on to a different path - to unleash the power of paradox.

How to Conquer the Effective Frontier and Drive Improved Value in Global Operations Growth has slowed. Volatility has increased and the world is more global. Brands are defined by innovation and services. Supply chain excellence matters more than ever. It makes a difference in corporate performance. One cannot snap their fingers and deliver supply chain success. It happens over the course of many years. It is measured in inches not miles. In this book, the author evaluates the progress of over a hundred companies over the period of 2006-2013. Success drives value. The effective supply chain makes a difference in winning a war, saving a patient, and driving commerce; but it also makes a difference in a community having clean air, potable water, and a standard of living. Mistakes are hard to overcome. Supply Chain Metrics that Matter tells this story. The book links corporate financials to supply chain maturity. In the book, the author analyzes which metrics matter. The author Lora M. Cecere is a supply chain researcher as well as an authority in supply chain technology. She helps companies gain first mover advantage. In the book, Cecere provides concrete, actionable steps to align and balance the supply chain to drive value. The book explores the crossover between supply chain efficiency and financial growth with topics such as: Outlining the metrics that matter, the metrics that don't Progress in industry sub-segment in improving inventory, cash, productivity and margin The management techniques that improve performance Sharing insights on how metrics change as the supply chain matures The roadmap to improve performance. Today, supply chains are global and dynamic. They are rapidly evolving. Companies that constantly seek out new solutions and opportunities for improvement drive differentiation. In a market where growth is stalled and many companies are stuck in driving supply chain performance, this book provides a clear, concise framework for a more modern, effective supply chain.

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