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Why, in a scientific
age, do people
routinely turn to
astrologers, mediums,
cultists, and every kind
of irrational
practitioner rather than
to science to meet

their spiritual needs? The answer, according to Richard J. Bird, is that science, especially biology, has embraced a view of life that renders meaningless the coincidences, serendipities, and other seemingly significant occurrences that fill people's everyday existence. Evolutionary biology rests on the assumption that although events are fundamentally random, some are selected because they are better adapted than others to the surrounding world. This book proposes an alternative view of evolving complexity. Bird argues that randomness means not disorder but infinite order. Complexity arises not from many random events of

natural selection (although these are not unimportant) but from the "playing out" of chaotic systems—which are best described mathematically. When we properly understand the complex interplay of chaos and life, Bird contends, we will see that many events that appear random are actually the outcome of order.

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The first book by photographer Jonathan Higbee.

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Springer Science & Business Media

The Heart of

Mathematics: An

invitation to effective thinking --now in its

second edition--

succeeds at reaching

non-math, non-science-oriented readers and encourages them to discover the mathematics inherent in the world around them. Infused throughout with the authors' humor and enthusiasm, *The Heart of Mathematics* introduces readers to the most important and interesting ideas in mathematics while inspiring them to actively engage in mathematical thinking. *Chaos and Life*
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 A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice One of LitHub's Most Anticipated Books of 2020 An expansive, radiant, and genre-defying investigation into bonding—and how we are shaped by forces we cannot fully know Is love a force

akin to gravity? A kind of invisible fabric which enables communications through space and time? Artist Harry Dodge finds himself contemplating such questions as his father declines from dementia and he rekindles a bewildering but powerful relationship with his birth mother. A meteorite Dodge orders on eBay becomes a mysterious catalyst for a reckoning with the vital forces of matter, the nature of consciousness, and the bafflements of belonging. Structured around a series of formative, formidable coincidences in Dodge's life, *My Meteorite* journeys with stylistic bravura from Barthes to Blade Runner, from punk to Pale Fire. It is a wild,

incandescent book that creates a literary universe of its own. Blending the personal and the philosophical, the raw and the surreal, the transgressive and the heartbreaking, Harry Dodge revitalizes our world, illuminating the magic just under the surface of daily life. My Meteorite Rutgers University Press The history of mathematics is filled with major breakthroughs resulting from solutions to recreational problems. Problems of interest to gamblers led to the modern theory of probability, for example, and surreal numbers were inspired by the game of Go. Yet even with such groundbreaking findings and a wealth of popular-level books,

research in recreational mathematics has often been neglected. The Mathematics of Various Entertaining Subjects now returns with a brand-new compilation of fascinating problems and solutions in recreational mathematics. This latest volume gathers together the top experts in recreational math and presents a compelling look at board games, card games, dice, toys, computer games, and much more. The book is divided into five parts: puzzles and brainteasers, geometry and topology, graph theory, games of chance, and computational complexity. Readers will discover what origami, roulette wheels, and even the

game of Trouble can teach about math. Essays contain new results, and the contributors include short expositions on their topic's background, providing a framework for understanding the relationship between serious mathematics and recreational games. Mathematical areas explored include combinatorics, logic, graph theory, linear algebra, geometry, topology, computer science, operations research, probability, game theory, and music theory. Investigating an eclectic mix of games and puzzles, *The Mathematics of Various Entertaining Subjects* is sure to entertain, challenge, and inspire academic mathematicians and

avid math enthusiasts alike.

To Paradise Columbia University Press
Demystifying Meaningful Coincidences (Synchronicities) is an original naturalistic theory of meaningful coincidences (synchronicities) as well as a blueprint for identifying, decoding, interpreting, and utilizing their embedded self-generated 'messages' in ways that are intellectually innovative and experientially useful. Interested readers are promised an experience that will unquestionably stimulate their self-awareness and, in so doing, expand their consciousness.
Theodosia and the Serpents of Chaos

McClelland & Stewart
“A tremendous novel—droll, savvy, original. An invigorating blast of fiction.” —William Boyd, Author of *Any Human Heart* and *Restless*.” A hurricane sweeps off the Gulf of Mexico and, in the back country of Alabama, assembles a passenger jet out of old bean cans and junkyard waste. This piques the interest of the enigmatic Directorate of the Extremely Improbable. Their fascination with this random event sets into motion a madcap caper that will bring together a hilarious cast of characters, including: an eccentric mathematician, last heard of investigating the physics of free will; a lovelorn Cambridge postgraduate who has

set off to America with a ring in his pocket and hope in his heart; and a member of the Directorate with no capacity for imagination. What ensues is a chaotic chase across a fully realized, hyper-real America, haunted by madness, murder, mistaken identity, and conspiracy. The *Coincidence Engine* is a lively, boisterous debut that heralds the arrival of a major new talent.

The Players of Religion
Macmillan

From ancient to modern, architects have looked for fundamental underlying principles of geometry and proportion on which to found their designs. Such principles not only provide an order for the formal

elements, they ground the architecture in timeless values and provide an order for the formal elements, they ground the architecture in timeless values and provide a source of cultural meaning. This book illustrates the use of fundamental principles of geometry and proportion in two ancient cultures, the Bronze Age and the Roman Age, as well as in twentieth-century North America.

Beyond Coincidence

Simon and Schuster Provide exciting, enriching learning experiences for gifted students through proven strategies from master teachers! With contributions from experienced educators, this book helps elementary school teachers use creative

methods to enhance gifted students' learning and stimulate higher-level thinking, discovery, and invention. Linked to curriculum standards, the numerous ready-to-use strategies, activities, and examples help teachers: Inspire students in reading, writing, social studies, mathematics, science, and the arts Tie creative processes to learning outcomes Incorporate technology into instruction where appropriate Encourage students to explore new avenues for thinking and learning The Storyteller Penguin The Players of religion is a controversial philosophical discourse that is written in a friendly and entertaining manner, that should show

people this is the way in which religion should be discussed. All the characters in this book are of religious significance, but there is one character that was once a true philosopher, and that is Sankara.

As Chance Would Have It

Princeton University Press
In 2008, as the price of oil surged above \$140 a barrel, experts said it would soon hit \$200; a few months later it plunged to \$30. In 1967, they said the USSR would have one of the fastest-growing economies in the year 2000; in 2000, the USSR did not exist. In 1911, it was pronounced that there would be no more wars in Europe; we all know how that turned out. Face it, experts are about as accurate as

dart-throwing monkeys. And yet every day we ask them to predict the future — everything from the weather to the likelihood of a catastrophic terrorist attack. Future Babble is the first book to examine this phenomenon, showing why our brains yearn for certainty about the future, why we are attracted to those who predict it confidently, and why it's so easy for us to ignore the trail of outrageously wrong forecasts. In this fast-paced, example-packed, sometimes darkly hilarious book, journalist Dan Gardner shows how seminal research by UC Berkeley professor Philip Tetlock proved that pundits who are more famous are less accurate — and the

average expert is no more accurate than a flipped coin. Gardner also draws on current research in cognitive psychology, political science, and behavioral economics to discover something quite reassuring: The future is always uncertain, but the end is not always near.

Meaningful

Coincidence Simon & Schuster

Shortlisted for the 2019 Royal Society Insight Investment Science Book Prize
One of the most fascinating scientific detective stories of the last fifty years, an exciting quest for a new form of matter. “A riveting tale of derring-do” (Nature), this book reads like James Gleick’s Chaos combined with an Indiana Jones

adventure. When leading Princeton physicist Paul Steinhardt began working in the 1980s, scientists thought they knew all the conceivable forms of matter. The Second Kind of Impossible is the story of Steinhardt’s thirty-five-year-long quest to challenge conventional wisdom. It begins with a curious geometric pattern that inspires two theoretical physicists to propose a radically new type of matter—one that raises the possibility of new materials with never before seen properties, but that violates laws set in stone for centuries. Steinhardt dubs this new form of matter “quasicrystal.” The rest of the scientific community calls it simply

impossible. The Second Kind of Impossible captures Steinhardt's scientific odyssey as it unfolds over decades, first to prove viability, and then to pursue his wildest conjecture—that nature made quasicrystals long before humans discovered them. Along the way, his team encounters clandestine collectors, corrupt scientists, secret diaries, international smugglers, and KGB agents. Their quest culminates in a daring expedition to a distant corner of the Earth, in pursuit of tiny fragments of a meteorite forged at the birth of the solar system. Steinhardt's discoveries chart a new direction in science. They not only change our ideas about

patterns and matter, but also reveal new truths about the processes that shaped our solar system. The underlying science is important, simple, and beautiful—and Steinhardt's firsthand account is "packed with discovery, disappointment, exhilaration, and persistence...This book is a front-row seat to history as it is made" (Nature).

Synchronicity

Random House

While taking a class on infinity at Stanford in the late 1980s, Ravi Kapoor discovers that he is confronting the same mathematical and philosophical dilemmas that his mathematician grandfather had faced many decades earlier--and that had landed him in jail. Charged

under an obscure blasphemy law in a small New Jersey town in 1919, Vijay Sahni is challenged by a skeptical judge to defend his belief that the certainty of mathematics can be extended to all human knowledge--including religion. Together, the two men discover the power--and the fallibility--of what has long been considered the pinnacle of human certainty, Euclidean geometry. As grandfather and grandson struggle with the question of whether there can ever be absolute certainty in mathematics or life, they are forced to reconsider their fundamental beliefs and choices. Their stories hinge on their explorations of parallel developments in the

study of geometry and infinity--and the mathematics throughout is as rigorous and fascinating as the narrative and characters are compelling and complex. Moving and enlightening, *A Certain Ambiguity* is a story about what it means to face the extent--and the limits--of human knowledge.

America's Culture of Professionalism

Watkins Media Limited
 Synchronicity: Multiple Perspectives on Meaningful Coincidence explores the nature of synchronicities from a wide variety of perspectives including science, religion, extra-sensory perception and psychokinesis. It investigates the role of the archetypes, the

limits to scientific causality and the way in which synchronicities can open a door into the numinous and speak to the unification of humanity and the world. Book jacket.

Number Theory

Through Inquiry

Springer Science & Business Media

America's Culture of Professionalism proves an emerging culture of interdependence is possible if and when enough professionals and laypersons refashion their roles and relationships having both something to contribute and something to learn from each other.

The Mathematics of Various Entertaining Subjects Orbit

This book recounts true stories of mathematically

improbable, oftentimes incredible, instances of Meaningful Coincidence, and takes the

Igniting Creativity in Gifted Learners, K-6

ShieldCrest

Dazzling space battles, intergalactic politics, and rogue AI collide in the second book in this epic space opera by award-winning author Megan O'Keefe. Sanda and Tomas are fleeing for their lives after letting the most dangerous smartship in the universe run free. Now, unsure of who to trust, Sanda knows only one thing for certain -- to be able to save herself from becoming a pawn of greater powers, she needs to discover the secret of the coordinates hidden in her skull. But getting to those coordinates is a

problem she can't solve alone. They exist beyond a dead gate -- a Casimir gate that opened up into a dead-end system without resources worth colonizing, and was sealed off. To get through the dead gate, she needs the help of the enemy Nazca. But some Nazca are only interested in the chip in her head -- and they'll crack her open to get to it.

Coincidence Chaos & All That Simon and Schuster

Turbulent development projects experience daily changes in requirements. Keeping your testing efforts on track while reacting to rapidly shifting priorities, technologies, and user needs can often feel nearly insurmountable.

Charting the Course:

Coming up with Great Test Ideas Just in Time equips you with effective techniques to implement software testing in chaotic environments. You will learn practical, dynamic test planning and scheduling, along with exploratory, scripted, automated, and performance testing, which can be successfully and systematically implemented in various contexts. This book focuses on generating a wide variety of relevant and powerful testing ideas that can be applied to real projects using Agile, Iterative, Waterfall, or Hybrid development environments. Readers will explore:

- The foundation for thousands of potentially relevant testing ideas
- Test

ideas oriented toward software capabilities, based on expected functionality • Test ideas based on usage scenarios, addressing user needs • Test ideas based on failure modes, challenging software design and environment dependencies • Numerous non-functional software attributes that pose a risk to software value • Creative testing ideas that uncover significant bugs through lateral thinking • Additional sources of important test ideas, including Business Rules, Combinations, States, Data, Environments, Unit Tests, Taxonomies, Test Oracles, Creative Ideas, Path Test Ideas, Boundary Test Ideas, Automation Test Ideas, and Regression Test

Ideas • Formulating charters to guide and direct software testing efforts Enjoy Charting the Course and learn how to achieve exceptional testing outcomes even in the most challenging and chaotic contexts.

The Science of Randomness Pari Pub Had any link in the evolutionary chain of events been slightly different, then our species would not be as it is today . . . or our ancestors may not have survived at all."--
BOOK JACKET.

The Heart of Mathematics

Macmillan
In The Improbability Principle, the renowned statistician David J. Hand argues that extraordinarily rare events are anything but. In fact, they're commonplace. Not only

that, we should all expect to experience a miracle roughly once every month. But Hand is no believer in superstitions, prophecies, or the paranormal. His definition of "miracle" is thoroughly rational. No mystical or supernatural explanation is necessary to understand why someone is lucky enough to win the lottery twice, or is destined to be hit by lightning three times and still survive. All we need, Hand argues, is a firm grounding in a powerful set of laws: the laws of inevitability, of truly large numbers, of selection, of the probability lever, and of near enough. Together, these constitute Hand's

groundbreaking Improbability Principle. And together, they explain why we should not be so surprised to bump into a friend in a foreign country, or to come across the same unfamiliar word four times in one day. Hand wrestles with seemingly less explicable questions as well: what the Bible and Shakespeare have in common, why financial crashes are par for the course, and why lightning does strike the same place (and the same person) twice. Along the way, he teaches us how to use the Improbability Principle in our own lives—including how to cash in at a casino and how to recognize when a medicine is truly effective. An irresistible adventure into the laws behind "chance"

moments and a trusty
guide for
understanding the
world and universe we
live in, The
Improbability Principle
will transform how you
think about serendipity

and luck, whether it's
in the world of
business and finance
or you're merely sitting
in your backyard,
tossing a ball into the
air and wondering
where it will land.

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