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with the aid of entertaining short stories anecdotes lucid explanations and straight forward figures this book challenges the perception that the world of physics is inaccessible to the non expert beginning with neanderthal man it traces the evolution of human reason and understanding from paradoxes and optical illusions to gravitational waves black holes and dark energy on the way it provides insights into the mind boggling advances at the frontiers of physics and cosmology unsolved problems and contradictions are highlighted and contentious issues in modern physics are discussed in a non dogmatic way in a language comprehensible to the non scientist it has something for everyone

this is a revised and expanded second edition of why machines will never rule the world its core argument remains the same that an artificial intelligence ai that could equal or exceed human intelligence sometimes called artificial general intelligence agi is for mathematical reasons impossible it offers two specific reasons for this claim human intelligence is a capability of the human brain and central nervous system which is a complex dynamic system systems of this sort cannot be modelled mathematically in a way that allows them to operate inside a computer in supporting their claim the authors jobst landgrebe and barry smith marshal evidence from mathematics physics computer science philosophy linguistics biology and anthropology setting up their book around three central questions what are the essential marks of human intelligence what is it that researchers try to do when they attempt to achieve artificial intelligence ai and why after more than 50 years are our interactions with ai for example when on the telephone with our bank s computers still so unsatisfactory the first edition was published the same week that chatgpt was unleashed onto the world this second edition shows how the arguments in the book apply already to large language models such as chatgpt this new edition also brings up to date the arguments relating to the limits of ai showing why ai systems are best viewed as pieces of mathematics which cannot think feel or will they also demolish the idea that with the help of ai we could solve physics in a way that would allow us to create in the cloud a perfect simulation of reality in which we could enjoy digital immortality such ideas reveal a lack of understanding of physics mathematics human biology and computers there is still as the authors demonstrate in an updated final chapter a great deal that ai can achieve which will benefit humanity but these benefits will be achieved without the aid of systems that are more powerful than humans which are as impossible as ai systems that are intrinsically evil or able to will a takeover of human society key changes to the second edition shows how the arguments of the first edition apply also to new large language models adds a treatment of human practical intelligence of knowing how vs knowing that a topic that is ignored by the ai community demonstrates why ai ethics should be relabelled as ethics of human uses of ai adds a new chapter showing the essential limitations of physics providing a thorough grounding for the arguments of the book demolishes the idea that we might already be living in a simulation

this book is a biography of fran ois engler the first belgian nobel laureate in physics jointly awarded to him and british physicist peter higgs the 2013 nobel prize in

physics was celebrated for the understanding of the origin of massive particles in the emerging universe one of the most important breakthroughs in physics in the second half of the 20th century from his childhood as the son of jewish emigrants a hidden child during the second world war a rebellious youth still a rebel fond of poetry and music aware of the sound and fury of the world to his achievements as a physicist and his contributions that won the nobel prize readers will find the life story of fran ois engler  imbued with the epitome of resilience the epilogue further expresses engler  s philosophical and scientific standpoints physics although written with a great concern for scientific accuracy the book s primary goal is to offer the lay reader an accessible account of the life and scientific work of fran ois engler  this is to address the fact that the development of fundamental physics one of the greatest intellectual revolution in the history remains largely unknown to the general public the author danielle losman is a former student of fran ois engler  and a literary translator when the suggestion about to write his biography it seemed natural to the professor and his former student to embark together in this adventure

why god could not create the universe with a different dimension even if it wanted to or perhaps anything else perhaps the universe must be the way it is it seems that what is omnipotent is mathematics elementary arithmetic just counting yet even mathematics is not powerful enough to create a universe there are just too many conditions conflicting existence is impossible beyond that for there to be structure is quite inconceivable but the universe does exist there are galaxies stars even the possibility of life that life is possible merely allows it to exist but only with the greatest good fortune does it actually occur intelligence is vastly less likely ability and technology far more improbable that we are what we are seem so strange inconceivable that we are left merely with wonder and as we seem unable to realize the need for the deepest care responsibility and gratitude we have been given by the unbelievable benevolence of chance no life but life with the most wondrous part of the universe the ability to think to know to create to wonder and thus the demand that we use our most awesome gifts to protect them to protect and preserve the world in which they exist and the life likely so rare if not unique in the universe which has received these astounding favors of chance that has been given by nature its most exalted constituents what we are requires that we enhance what we are what we are part of to see understand and be grateful an exploration of the precise conditions required for the existence of humans in the universe the author does an admirable job delineating the laws of physics without becoming too bogged down in complicated jargon and he maintains a sense of wonder about the unique and random nature of the universe he repeatedly celebrates our highly improbable achievements as a species marveling at our ability to use the language of abstract mathematics to unravel the mysteries of existence the prevailing tone of the narrative is clear and confident marked by a meticulous attention to detail an often fascinating journey through the history of the universe and mankind kirkus discoveries

physics and astrophysics glimpses of the progress provides a comprehensive account of physics and astrophysics from the time of aristotle to the modern era of

stephen hawking and beyond it takes the readers of all ages through a pleasant journey touching on the major discoveries and inventions that have taken place in both the macro world including that in the cosmos and the micro world of atomic and subatomic particles related to physics and astrophysics use of historical perspective and anecdote makes the storytelling on the progress of physics and astrophysics both interesting and absorbing while peering through different developments in these fields the book never compromises with the sanctity of the scientific content including the depth and beauty of the physical concept of the topics concerned and the philosophical viewpoints they represent where appropriate the book also delves into value judgments of life that affect our civilization features the intricate concepts of physics and astrophysics are explained in simple terms and in easy to understand language physics and astrophysics are discussed in a connected and correlated way in a single volume of comprehensive size but in totality which to date is the unique feature of this book starting with aristotle s physics and going through the work of newton einstein schrödinger hubble hewish hawking and others including the present research on dark energy dark matter and the fifth force of nature the reader be kept absorbed and spellbound in addition to the fundamental principles of newtonian mechanics einstein s relativity quantum mechanics string theory loop quantum gravity and so on the cutting edge technologies of recent times such as the large hadron collider laser interferometer gravitational wave observatory and event horizon telescope are also explored the book is aimed primarily at undergraduate and graduate students researchers and professionals studying physics and astrophysics general readers will also find the book useful to quench their thirst for knowledge about the developments in physics and astrophysics

nothingness addresses one of the most puzzling problems of physics and philosophy does empty space have an existence independent of the matter within it is empty space really empty or is it an ocean seething with the creation and destruction of virtual matter with crystal clear prose and more than 100 cleverly rendered illustrations physicist henning genz takes the reader from the metaphysical speculations of the ancient greek philosophers through the theories of newton and the early experiments of his contemporaries right up to the current theories of quantum physics and cosmology to give us the story of one of the most fundamental and puzzling areas of modern physics and philosophy

the purpose of the book is to give a survey of the physics that is relevant for biological applications and also to discuss what kind of biology needs physics the book gives a broad account of basic physics relevant for the applications and various applications from properties of proteins to processes in the cell to wider themes such as the brain the origin of life and evolution it also considers general questions of common interest such as reductionism determinism and randomness where the physics view often is misunderstood the subtle balance between order and disorder is a repeated theme appearing in many contexts there are descriptive parts which shall be sufficient for the comprehension of general ideas and more detailed formalistic parts for those who want to go deeper and see the ideas expressed in terms of

mathematical formulas describes how physics is needed for understanding basic principles of biology discusses the delicate balance between order and disorder in living systems explores how physics play a role high biological functions such as learning and thinking

this book provides a comprehensive overview of modern particle physics accessible to anyone with a true passion for wanting to know how the universe works we are introduced to the known particles of the world we live in an elegant explanation of quantum mechanics and relativity paves the way for an understanding of the laws that govern particle physics these laws are put into action in the world of accelerators colliders and detectors found at institutions such as cern and fermilab that are in the forefront of technical innovation real world and theory meet using feynman diagrams to solve the problems of infinities and deduce the need for the higgs boson facts and mysteries in elementary particle physics offers an incredible insight from an eyewitness and participant in some of the greatest discoveries in 20th century science from einstein s theory of relativity to the elusive higgs particle this book will fascinate and educate anyone interested in the world of quarks leptons and gauge theories this book also contains many thumbnail sketches of particle physics personalities including contemporaries as seen through the eyes of the author illustrated with pictures these candid sketches present rare perceptive views of the characters that populate the field the chapter on particle theory in a pre publication was termed superbly lucid by david miller in nature vol 396 17 dec 1998 p 642

adlam reconceptualizes the quantum measurement problem as a problem of epistemology and in doing so presents a novel perspective on the issue offering a new approach to finding valid solutions

every reader interested in understanding the important problems in physics and astrophysics and their historic development over the past 60 years will enjoy this book immensely the philosophy history and the individual views of famous scientists of the 20th century known personally to the author make this book fascinating for non physicists too the book consists of three parts on i major problems of physics and astrophysics ii the philosophy and history of science and iii memorial essays on famous physicists the author is an internationally renowned scientist who summarizes here his life long interests experience and insights into the work of other eminent 20th century physicists professor ginzburg s fundamental contributions to the theory of superconductivity encapsulated in the famous and widely used ginzburg landau equations have been recognized with the 2003 nobel prize in physics shared with a a abrikosov and a e leggett

a straightforward and accessible study of personal development and human consciousness as seen through the lens of eastern and western therapeutic traditions a simple yet comprehensive guide to the types of psychologies and therapies available from eastern and western sources each chapter includes a specific exercise

designed to help the reader understand the nature and practice of the specific therapies wilber presents an easy to use map of human consciousness against which the various therapies are introduced and explained this edition includes a new preface

hermeneutics was elaborated as a specific art of understanding in humanities the discovered paradigmatic historical characteristics of scientific knowledge and the role of rhetoric interpretation and contextuality enabled us to use similar arguments in natural sciences too in this way a new research field the hermeneutics of science emerged based upon the works of husserl merleau ponty heidegger and gadamer a dialogue between philosophers and scientists begins in this volume on hermeneutic approaches to physics biology ethology mathematics and cognitive science scientific principles methodologies discourse language and metaphors are analyzed as well as the role of the lay public and the legitimation of science different hermeneutical phenomenological approaches to perception experiments methods discovery and justification and the genesis of science are presented hermeneutics shed a new light on the incommensurability of paradigms the possibility of translation and the historical understanding of science

the whole thing was basically an experiment richard feynman said late in his career looking back on the origins of his lectures the experiment turned out to be hugely successful spawning publications that have remained definitive and introductory to physics for decades ranging from the basic principles of newtonian physics through such formidable theories as general relativity and quantum mechanics feynman s lectures stand as a monument of clear exposition and deep insight timeless and collectible the lectures are essential reading not just for students of physics but for anyone seeking an introduction to the field from the inimitable feynman

what is everything really made of if we split matter down into smaller and infinitesimally smaller pieces where do we arrive at the particle zoo the extraordinary subatomic world of antimatter ghostly neutrinos strange flavoured quarks and time travelling electrons gravitons and glueballs mindboggling eleven dimensional strings and the elusive higgs boson itself be guided around this strangest of zoos by gavin hesketh experimental particle physicist at humanity s greatest experiment the large hadron collider concisely and with a rare clarity he demystifies how we are uncovering the inner workings of the universe and heading towards the next scientific revolution why are atoms so small how did the higgs boson save the universe and is there a theory of everything the particle zoo answers these and many other profound questions and explains the big ideas of quantum physics string theory the big bang and dark matter and ultimately what we know about the true fundamental nature of reality

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it makes no difference whether global warming is or is not a human caused condition because it is only human caused action that will mediate its effects this book shows why wind and solar alone are not enough to get a handle on this we need a backup plan that is an energy miracle this is the book that gives concerned folks an understanding of exactly how to tackle global warming at the same time it gives students and scientists the tools to jump start the search for energy miracles the politicians and administrators who need a low cost solution that comes to grips with the coming debacle will be happy to know that this book provides that as well in this century over one billion people living in low lying coastal areas will be inundated by rising seas it s time to get moving read this book and then pass it on to a friend or an associate

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we could be on the threshold of a scientific revolution quantum mechanics is based on unique finite and discrete events general relativity assumes a continuous curved space time reconciling the two remains the most fundamental unsolved scientific problem left over from the last century the papers of h pierre noyes collected in this volume reflect one attempt to achieve that unification by replacing the continuum with the bit string events of computer science three principles are used physics can determine whether two quantities are the same or different measurement can tell something from nothing this structure modeled by binary addition and multiplication can leave a historical record consisting of a growing universe of bit strings this book is specifically addressed to those interested in the foundations of particle physics relativity quantum mechanics physical cosmology and the philosophy of science

this issue of progress in physics features a collection of articles on theoretical and experimental physics as well as related topics in mathematics the main theme appears to be a re evaluation of fundamental concepts in physics with several papers discussing alternatives to established theories one article proposes correct solutions for rotating and charged black holes suggesting they have an oblate spheroid shape rather than being perfectly spherical another paper presents a new cosmology framework based on a krogh gravity theory that predicts the hubble redshift curve without needing concepts like dark energy or expansion other topics

include an analysis of fundamental forces from numerical relations a re examination of quantum mechanics in the microworld and the feasibility of non quantum teleportation

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