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the manuscripts in this volume were contributed by the speakers invited to the acromegaly centennial symposium held in san francisco california in july 1986 the meeting was organized to commemorate the description of acromegaly by the french physician pierre marie in 1886 the members of the scientific committee spent many hours assisting us in ensuring an

outstanding meeting the support of serono symposia usa in all phases of the planning and execution of the meeting was sincerely appreciated and was highly professional special recognition must be extended to professor roger guillemin of the salk institute whose interest in medical history led him to devote a great deal of time and personal expense in obtaining information about the life of pierre marie dr guillemin's presentation on the life and times of marie was an extraordinary overview of the cultural social and scientific backgrounds in which marie came to describe the disease acromegaly dr guillemin's findings which were presented at the main banquet in a splendid audiovisual presentation were clearly the highlight of the meeting and will long be remembered by the attendees we were also honored by the presence of dr martine pierre marie granier the great granddaughter of pierre marie in her address at the banquet dr granier provided several delightful and intimate vignettes concerning pierre marie using old family records and photographs the scientific committee wishes to extend its gratitude to dr granier for adding immeasurably to the historical atmosphere of the meeting

timed to the twentieth anniversary of the blockbuster warcraft franchise the art of world of warcraft celebrates the groundbreaking art of the complete series to date in the ten years since its inception world of warcraft has revolutionized the role playing genre creating the immense world of azeroth and filling it with iconic characters and legendary weapons and environments featuring interviews with key developers and telling the complete story of the game's evolution this fully illustrated book vibrantly displays the renowned artwork at the heart of the franchise including never before seen art from the latest world of warcraft expansion warlords of draenor the art of world of warcraft will contain hundreds of drawings and concept art forming the ultimate tribute to the epic gaming franchise

when the world of azeroth was young the god like titans brought order to it by reshaping its lands and seas throughout their great work they followed a magnificent design for what they envisioned azeroth would become although the titans departed azeroth long ago that design endures to this day it is known as the emerald dream a lush and savagely primal version of the world of warcraft many are the mysteries surrounding the emerald dream and its reclusive guardians the green dragonflight in times past druids have entered the dream to monitor the ebb and flow of life on azeroth in their never ending quest to maintain the delicate balance of nature however not all dreams are pleasant ones recently the emerald nightmare an area of corruption within the emerald dream began growing in size transforming the dream into a realm of unimaginable horror green dragons have been unexpectedly caught up in the nightmare emerging from it with shattered minds and twisted bodies druids who have entered the darkening dream lately have found it difficult sometimes even impossible to escape nor are these the nightmare's only victims more and more people are being affected even malfurion stormrage first and foremost of the druids on azeroth may have fallen victim to this growing threat as uncontrollable nightmares spread across the world a desperate quest begins to find and free the archdruid soon nature's enemies will learn the true meaning of the name stormrage

this is the first textbook dedicated to explaining how artificial intelligence ai techniques can be used in and for games after introductory chapters that explain the background and key techniques in ai and games the authors explain how to use ai to play games to generate content for games and to model players the book will be suitable for undergraduate and graduate courses in games artificial intelligence design human computer interaction and computational intelligence and also for self study by industrial game developers and practitioners the authors have developed a website gameaibook.org that complements the material covered in the book with up to date exercises lecture slides and reading

this this book is open access under a cc by 4 0 license this book offers a comprehensive guide covering every important aspect of computational thinking education it provides an in depth discussion of computational thinking including the notion of perceiving computational thinking practices as ways of mapping models from the abstraction of data and process structures to natural phenomena further it explores how computational thinking education is implemented in different regions and how computational thinking is being integrated into subject learning in k 12 education in closing it discusses computational thinking from the perspective of stem education the use of video games to teach computational thinking and how computational thinking is helping to transform the quality of the workforce in the textile and apparel industry

the burning legion has come led by the mighty archimonde scores of demonic soldiers now march across the lands of kalimdor leaving a trail of death and devastation in their wake at the heart of the fiery invasion stands the mystic well of eternity once the source of the night elves arcane power but now the well s energies have been defiled and twisted for queen azshara and her highborne will stop at nothing to commune with their newfound god the fiery lord of the burning legion sargeras the night elf defenders led by the young druid malfurion stormrage and the wizard krasus fight a desperate battle to hold back the legion s terrible onslaught though only embers of hope remain an ancient power has risen to aid the world in its darkest hour the dragons led by the powerful aspect neltharion have forged a weapon of incalculable power the dragon soul an artifact capable of driving the legion from the world forever but its use may cost far more than any could have foreseen the second novel in an original trilogy of magic warfare and heroism based on the bestselling award winning electronic game series from blizzard entertainment

the thrilling and long awaited conclusion to the newbery medal winning giver quartet by lois lowry they called her water claire when she washed up on their shore no one knew that she came from a society where emotions and colors didn t exist that she had become a vessel at age thirteen that she had carried a product at age fourteen that it had been stolen from her body claire had a son but what became of him she never knew what was his name was he even alive she was supposed to forget him but that was impossible now claire will stop at nothing to find her child even if it means making an unimaginable sacrifice son thrusts readers once again into the chilling world of the newbery medal winning the giver as well as the companion books gathering blue and messenger in this thrilling series finale the startling and long awaited conclusion to lois lowry s epic tale culminates in a final clash between good and evil in which a new hero emerges

only once did david foster wallace give a public talk on his views on life during a commencement address given in 2005 at kenyon college the speech is reprinted for the first time in book form in this is water how does one keep from going through their comfortable prosperous adult life unconsciously how do we get ourselves out of the foreground of our thoughts and achieve compassion the speech captures wallace s electric intellect as well as his grace in attention to others after his death it became a treasured piece of writing reprinted in the wall street journal and the london times commented on endlessly in blogs and emailed from friend to friend writing with his one of a kind blend of causal humor exacting intellect and practical philosophy david foster wallace probes the challenges of daily living and offers advice that renews us with every reading

introduces readers to snow and discusses topics such as different types of snowstorms regions where snow falls and how to prepare when a snowstorm approaches

diagnosing and changing organizational culture provides a framework a sense making tool a

set of systematic steps and a methodology for helping managers and their organizations carefully analyze and alter their fundamental culture authors cameron and quinn focus on the methods and mechanisms that are available to help managers and change agents transform the most fundamental elements of their organizations the authors also provide instruments to help individuals guide the change process at the most basic level culture diagnosing and changing organizational culture offers a systematic strategy for internal or external change agents to facilitate foundational change that in turn makes it possible to support and supplement other kinds of change initiatives

an avid gamer and sharp media critic explains meritocracy's negative contribution to video game culture and what can be done about it video games have brought entertainment education and innovation to millions but gaming also has its dark sides from the deep bred misogyny epitomized by gamergate to the endemic malice of abusive player communities gamer culture has had serious real world repercussions ranging from death threats to sexist industry practices and racist condemnations in the toxic meritocracy of video games new media critic and longtime gamer christopher paul explains how video games focus on meritocracy empowers this negative culture paul first shows why meritocracy is integral to video game design narratives and values games typically valorize skill and technique and common video game practices such as leveling build meritocratic thinking into the most basic premises video games are often assumed to have an even playing field but they facilitate skill transfer from game to game allowing certain players a built in advantage the toxic meritocracy of video games identifies deep seated challenges in the culture of video games but all is not lost as paul argues similarly meritocratic institutions like professional sports and higher education have found powerful remedies to alleviate their own toxic cultures including active recruiting and strategies that promote values such as contingency luck and serendipity these can be brought to the gamer universe paul contends ultimately fostering a more diverse accepting and self reflective culture that is not only good for gamers but good for video games as well

a sequel to the author's trailblazer china's elite politics political transition and power balancing published by world scientific in 2007 this book tackles the issue of governance in china it provides up to date information on china's political elites and evaluates their ability to deal with crises through four case studies snowstorm in the south the tibet issue the sichuan earthquake and the beijing 2008 olympic games along with china's elite politics political transition and power balancing this book provides rich empirical information on and insightful theoretical understanding of national level politics in china and serves as a good reference source for students of chinese politics

the aim of this book is to publicise and bring to a wider audience the concept that the cause of two neurological diseases namely multiple sclerosis ms and mad cow disease also known as bovine spongiform encephalopathy are related through exposure to a common microbe acinetobacter which is found in human sinuses on skin and in the soil an infection is the cause of a neurological disease in man and in animals elevated levels of antibodies to acinetobacter have been found in multiple sclerosis patients as well as in ruminants who have been described as suffering from mad cow disease following exposure to contaminated feed supplements the overall objective and scope of this book is to inform the audience the reader that multiple sclerosis may be linked to a microbe acinetobacter which carries molecular structures resembling myelin the outer sheath covering of neurons

virtual heritage has been explained as virtual reality applied to cultural heritage but this definition only scratches the surface of the fascinating applications tools and challenges of

this fast changing interdisciplinary field this book provides an accessible but concise edited coverage of the main topics tools and issues in virtual heritage leading international scholars have provided chapters to explain current issues in accuracy and precision challenges in adopting advanced animation techniques shows how archaeological learning can be developed in minecraft they propose mixed reality is conceptual rather than just technical they explore how useful linked open data can be for art history explain how accessible photogrammetry can be but also ethical and practical issues for applying at scale provide insight into how to provide interaction in museums involving the wider public and describe issues in evaluating virtual heritage projects not often addressed even in scholarly papers the book will be of particular interest to students and scholars in museum studies digital archaeology heritage studies architectural history and modelling virtual environments

the global food crisis is a stark reminder of the fragility of the global food system the global food crisis governance challenges and opportunities captures the debate about how to go forward and examines the implications of the crisis for food security in the world's poorest countries both for the global environment and for the global rules and institutions that govern food and agriculture in this volume policy makers and scholars assess the causes and consequences of the most recent food price volatility and examine the associated governance challenges and opportunities including short term emergency responses the ecological dimensions of the crisis and the longer term goal of building sustainable global food systems the recommendations include vastly increasing public investment in small farm agriculture reforming global food aid and food research institutions establishing fairer international agricultural trade rules promoting sustainable agricultural methods placing agriculture higher on the post kyoto climate change agenda revamping biofuel policies and enhancing international agricultural policy making co published with the centre for international governance innovation

since the beginning of time the angelic hosts of the high heavens and the demonic hordes of the burning hells have been locked in a struggle for the fate of all creation that struggle has now come to the mortal realm and neither man nor demon nor angel will be left unscathed legend speaks of a long dead city known as ureh thought by many to have been a gateway to the high heavens it is believed that every two thousand years when the stars align and the shadow of mount nymyr falls upon the ruins ureh is reborn and all its lost riches are revealed to those brave enough to seek them out now after a lifetime of research and intense calculation the vizjerei sorcerer quov tsin has come to witness ureh's rebirth for himself but that which awaits tsin and his hired band of mercenaries is nothing like what they expected they will find that the dream of radiant ureh is in fact a twisted nightmare of horror one that will draw them inexorably into the kingdom of shadow an original tale of swords sorcery and timeless struggle based on the bestselling award winning m rated computer game from blizzard entertainment intended for mature readers

a course for nonnative speakers of english genre based approach includes units such as graphs and commenting on other data and research papers

making the geologic now announces shifts in cultural sensibilities and practices it offers early sightings of an increasingly widespread turn toward the geologic as source of explanation motivation and inspiration for creative responses to conditions of the present moment in the spirit of a broadside this edited collection circulates images and short essays from over 40 artists designers architects scholars and journalists who are actively exploring and creatively responding to the geologic depth of now contributors ideas and works are drawn from architecture design contemporary philosophy and art they are offered as test sites for what

might become thinkable or possible if humans were to collectively take up the geologic as our instructive co designer as a partner in designing thoughts objects systems and experiences a new cultural sensibility is emerging as we struggle to understand and meet new material realities of earth and life on earth it becomes increasingly obvious that the geologic is not just about rocks we now cohabit with the geologic in unprecedented ways in teeming assemblages of exchange and interaction among geologic materials and forces and the bio cosmo socio political legal economic strategic and imaginary as a reading and viewing experience making the geologic now is designed to move through culture sounding an alert from the unfolding edge of the geologic turn that is now propagating through contemporary ideas and practices contributors include matt baker jarrod beck stephen becker brooke belisle jane bennett david benque canary project susannah sayler edward morris center for land use interpretation brian davis seth denizen anthony easton elizabeth ellsworth valeria federighi william l fox david gersten bill gilbert oliver goodhall john gordon ilana halperin lisa hirmer rob holmes katie holten jane hutton julia kagan wade kavanaugh oliver kellhammer elizabeth kolbert janike kampevold larsen jamie kruse william lamson tim maly geoff manauagh don mckay rachel mcrae brett milligan christian milneil laura moriarity stephen nguyen erika osborne trevor paglen anne reeve chris rose victoria sambunaris paul lloyd sargent antonio stoppani rachel sussman shimpei takeda chris taylor ryan thompson etienne turpin nicola twilley bryan m wilson

nine year old sophie scott embarks on a mission to antarctica aboard an icebreaker and documents her adventure in a diary of its natural wonders

the one and only original teenage diary at thirteen years old adrian mole has more than his fair share of problems spots ill health parents threatening to divorce rejection of his poetry and much more all recorded with brilliant humour in his diary

this book will tell all you need to know about british english spelling it s a reference work intended for anyone interested in the english language especially those who teach it whatever the age or mother tongue of their students it will be particularly useful to those wishing to produce well designed materials for teaching initial literacy via phonics for teaching english as a foreign or second language and for teacher training english spelling is notoriously complicated and difficult to learn it is correctly described as much less regular and predictable than any other alphabetic orthography however there is more regularity in the english spelling system than is generally appreciated this book provides for the first time a thorough account of the whole complex system it does so by describing how phonemes relate to graphemes and vice versa it enables searches for particular words so that one can easily find not the meanings or pronunciations of words but the other words with which those with unusual phoneme grapheme grapheme phoneme correspondences keep company other unique features of this book include teacher friendly lists of correspondences and various regularities not described by previous authorities for example the strong tendency for the letter name vowel phonemes the names of the letters to be spelt with those single letters in non final syllables

technology and increasing levels of education have exposed people to more information than ever before these societal gains however have also helped fuel a surge in narcissistic and misguided intellectual egalitarianism that has crippled informed debates on any number of issues today everyone knows everything with only a quick trip through webmd or wikipedia average citizens believe themselves to be on an equal intellectual footing with doctors and diplomats all voices even the most ridiculous demand to be taken with equal seriousness and any claim to the contrary is dismissed as undemocratic elitism tom nichols the death of expertise shows how this rejection of experts has occurred the openness of the internet the emergence of a customer satisfaction model in higher education and the transformation of the

news industry into a 24 hour entertainment machine among other reasons paradoxically the increasingly democratic dissemination of information rather than producing an educated public has instead created an army of ill informed and angry citizens who denounce intellectual achievement when ordinary citizens believe that no one knows more than anyone else democratic institutions themselves are in danger of falling either to populism or to technocracy or in the worst case a combination of both an update to the 2017 breakout hit the paperback edition of the death of expertise provides a new foreword to cover the alarming exacerbation of these trends in the aftermath of donald trump s election judging from events on the ground since it first published the death of expertise issues a warning about the stability and survival of modern democracy in the information age that is even more important today

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the giver the 1994 newbery medal winner has become one of the most influential novels of our time the haunting story centers on twelve year old jonas who lives in a seemingly ideal if colorless world of conformity and contentment not until he is given his life assignment as the receiver of memory does he begin to understand the dark complex secrets behind his fragile community this movie tie in edition features cover art from the movie and exclusive q a with members of the cast including taylor swift brenton thwaites and cameron monaghan

design and build cutting edge video games with help from video game expert scott rogers if you want to design and build cutting edge video games but aren t sure where to start then this is the book for you written by leading video game expert scott rogers who has designed the hits pac man world maxim vs army of zin and spongebob squarepants this book is full of rogers s wit and imaginative style that demonstrates everything you need to know about designing great video games features an approachable writing style that considers game designers from all levels of expertise and experience covers the entire video game creation process including developing marketable ideas understanding what gamers want working with player actions and more offers techniques for creating non human characters and using the camera as a character shares helpful insight on the business of design and how to create design documents so put your game face on and start creating memorable creative and unique video games with this book

important note this edition of percepliquis is being released for readers of the original ridan editions of the crown conspiracy it does not include book 5 wintertide if you re reading the omnibus editions from orbit you should purchase heir of novron which includes both wintertide and percepliquis it all comes down to this the elves have crossed the nidwalden two thieves will decide the future i saw a great journey ten upon the road she who wears the light will lead the way the road goes deep into the earth and into despair the voices of the dead guide your steps you walk back in time the three thousand year battle begins again cold grips the world death comes to all and a choice is before you fan irlanu tenkin seerer of oudorro village percepliquis is the final installment of the epic fantasy the riyria revelations in this saga that began with the crown conspiracy two thieves caught in the wrong place at the right time were launched on a series of ever escalating adventures that have all lead to this moment three thousand years have passed and the time for novron s heir to act has arrived the crown conspiracy is a well written and enjoyable novel i was invested in the characters and their travails royce and hadrian s friendship was particularly fun to read tammy moore sfsite every

time i finish a book in this series it makes me want the next one instantly cindy hannikman fantasy book critic books of the riyria revelations original 6 book format the crown conspiracy october 2008 avempartha april 2009 nyphron rising october 2009 the emerald storm april 2010 wintertide october 2010 percepliquis january 2012 omnibus versions of riyria revelations orbit publishing theft of swords 11 2011 contains the crown conspiracy avempartha rise of empire 12 2011 contains nyphron rising the emerald storm heir of novron 1 2012 contains wintertide percepliquis

a simple ride home for the holidays turns into a nightmare for strangers katie brandt and alex walker when light snow rages into a full scale blizzard the two college students find themselves stranded and a vacant cabin becomes haven from the storm under different circumstances time alone with alex would be the ultimate holiday gift but katie knows alex is engaged and she must hide her growing attraction however alex harbors a secret that just might change this holiday from the worst christmas ever to the best back cover

to explore what extended competition between the united states and china might entail out to 2050 the authors of this report identified and characterized china s grand strategy analyzed its component national strategies diplomacy economics science and technology and military affairs and assessed how successful china might be at implementing these over the next three decades

the first and only comprehensive guide to best practices in winter road operations winter maintenance operations are essential to ensure the safety mobility and productivity of transportation systems especially in cold weather climates and responsible agencies are continually challenged to provide a high level of service in a fiscally and environmentally responsible manner sustainable winter road operations bridges the knowledge gaps providing the first up to date authoritative single source overview and guide to best practices in winter road operations that considers the triple bottom line of sustainability with contributions from experts in the field from around the world this book takes a holistic approach to the subject the authors address the many negative impacts on regional economies and the environment of poorly planned and inadequate winter road operations and they make a strong case for the myriad benefits of environmentally sustainable concepts and practices best practice applications of materials processes equipment and associated technologies and how they can improve the effectiveness and efficiency of winter operations optimize materials usage and minimize cost corrosion and environmental impacts are all covered in depth provides the first up to date authoritative and comprehensive overview of best practices in sustainable winter road operations currently in use around the world covers materials processes equipment and associated technologies for sustainable winter road operations brings together contributions by an international all star team of experts with extensive experience in designing implementing and managing sustainable winter road operations designed to bring professionals involved in transportation and highway maintenance and control up to speed with current best practice sustainable winter road operations is essential reading for maintenance professionals dealing with snow and ice control operations on highways motorways and local roads it is a valuable source of information and guidance for decision makers researchers and engineers in transportation engineering involved in transportation and highway maintenance and it is an ideal textbook for advanced level courses in transportation engineering

an important intervention in the conversation around social and ecological sustainability that draws on both micromarketing and macromarketing scholarship to help the reader understand the challenges with illustrations from insightful cases both from emerging and developed

economies this compilation should be essential reading for the discerning student of sustainable consumption and production professor pierre mcdonagh associate editor journal of macromarketing usa professor of critical marketing society university of bath uk experts in the field of economics management science and particularly in the marketing domain have always been interested in and acknowledged the importance of sustaining profitable businesses while incorporating societal and environmental concerns however the level of existing literature and availability of teaching cases reflect a dearth of real case studies especially those focused on marketing for social good this book of actual case studies will address that need in addition this book is important and timely in providing a case book for instructors those in both industry and academia to help them in teaching and training the next generation of leaders through corporate training and universities currently marketing for social good is increasingly becoming a part of most curriculums under the umbrella of different titles such as social marketing green marketing and sustainability marketing the relevance of these studies is increasing across the globe this book is composed of long and short real cases with varying complexity in different sectors this case book will also cover some review articles for an overview of the recent developments in the study area with these case studies collections of questions teaching materials and real life marketing scenarios this book offers a unique source of knowledge to marketing professionals students and educators across the world the main objective of this case book is to understand the applicability of marketing science marketing for social good context such as social marketing and sustainability marketing in internet marketing related to e buying behavior and e wom in addition it illustrates the various types of existing marketing practices that are relevant from both theoretical and practical points of view in this electronic era as well as discussing other non electronic marketing practices and focusing on consumer buying behavior as a result marketing managers can treat their customers according to their desired value this book particularly explores the possibilities and advantages created by social marketing and sustainability marketing through the presentation of thorough review articles and case studies this case book helps corporate training centers and universities with compact teaching reference materials in their relevant courses

new york times bestselling author prepare a feast fit for a warchief with this official cookbook inspired by blizzard entertainment s hit online game presenting delicacies favored by the horde and the alliance alike this authorized cookbook teaches apprentice chefs how to conjure up a menu of food and drink from across the realm of azeroth featuring food pairings for each dish ideas for creating your own azerothian feasts and tips on adapting meals to specific diets this otherworldly culinary guide offers something for everyone the aromatic spiced blossom soup is perfect for plant loving druids and orcs will go berserk for the fall off the bone beer basted boar ribs with alternatives to the more obscure ingredients just in case you don t have chimaerok chops lying around this comprehensive cookbook will ensure that you have no trouble staying well fed each chapter features dishes at a variety of skill levels for a total of more than one hundred easy to follow recipes for food and brews including ancient pandaren spices fel eggs and ham mulgore spice bread dragonbreath chili graccu s homemade meat pie bloodberry tart greatfather s winter ale whether you re cooking for two or revitalizing your raid group for a late night dungeon run world of warcraft the official cookbook brings the flavors of azeroth to life the cookbook instilled in me not only a love for the craft of cooking but a newfound love for the game pc gamer

the sixth book in the joe o loughlin series the inspiration behind major itv drama the suspect my name is piper hadley and i went missing on the last saturday of the summer holidays three years ago when piper and her friend tash disappeared there was a huge police search but they

were never found abducted hidden and abused tash has reached breaking point she escapes her captor promising to come back for piper the case is closed but clinical psychologist joe o loughlin and his stalwart companion ex cop vincent ruiz haven t given up they uncover a chilling link to the missing girls and force the police to re open the case but they are racing against time to save piper from an abductor with an evil calculating and twisted mind although the joe o loughlin books can be read in any order say you re sorry is the sixth in the series after the wreckage the next in the series is watching you praise for michael robotham s thrillers i love this guy s books lee child will have you turning the pages compulsively the times an absolute master stephen king he writes in a voice with a haunting sense of soul peter james heart stopping and heart breaking val mcdermid the real deal david baldacci superbly exciting a terrific read guardian

this book offers a media ethnography of the digital culture conventions and urban spaces associated with fandoms arguing that fandom is an area of productive creative and subversive value

since the beginning of time the angelic forces of the high heavens and the demonic hordes of the burning hells have been locked in an eternal conflict for the fate of all creation that struggle has now spilled over into sanctuary the world of men determined to win mankind over to their respective causes the forces of good and evil wage a secret war for mortal souls this is the tale of the sin war the conflict that would forever change the destiny of man three thousand years before the darkening of tristram uldyssian son of diomedes was a simple farmer from the village of seram content with his quiet idyllic life uldyssian is shocked as dark events rapidly unfold around him mistakenly blamed for the grisly murders of two traveling missionaries uldyssian is forced to flee his homeland and set out on a perilous quest to redeem his good name to his horror he has begun to manifest strange new powers powers no mortal man has ever dreamed of now uldyssian must grapple with the energies building within him lest they consume the last vestiges of his humanity

by his early thirties paul allen was a world famous billionaire and that was just the beginning in 2007 and 2008 time named paul allen the cofounder of microsoft one of the hundred most influential people in the world since he made his fortune his impact has been felt in science technology business medicine sports music and philanthropy his passion curiosity and intellectual rigour combined with the resources to launch and support new initiatives have literally changed the world the book features previously untold stories about everything from the true origins of microsoft to allen s role in the dawn of private space travel with spaceshipone and in discoveries at the frontiers of brain science with honesty humor and insight allen tells the story of a life of ideas made real

riziko pádů v ošetřovatelské praxi je aktuálním bodem managementu nežádoucích rizik ve zdravotnictví kniha zahrnuje informace o rizikových skupinách nemocných uvádí typy pádů a jejich mechanismy zabývá se konkrétními intervencemi k prevenci pádu nemocných ve zdravotnických zařízeních

childhood obesity has reached epidemic proportions in the united states and continues to increase in prevalence in almost all countries in which it has been studied including developed and developing countries around the globe the causes of obesity are complex and multi factorial childhood obesity becomes a life long problem in most cases and is associated with long term chronic disease risk for a variety of diseases including type 2 diabetes cardiovascular disease non alcoholic fatty liver disease as well as psychosocial as issues and obesity seems to affect almost every organ system in the body in recent years there has been

tremendous progress in the understanding of this problem and in strategies for prevention and treatment in the pediatric years childhood obesity causes consequences and intervention approaches presents current reviews on the complex problem of obesity from the multi level causes throughout early life before adulthood and the implications for this for long term disease risk it reviews numerous types of strategies that have been used to address this issue from conventional clinical management to global policy strategies attempting to modify the global landscape of food nutrition and physical activity each chapter is written by a global authority in his or her respective field with a focus on reviewing the current status and recent developments the book features information on contributing factors to obesity including developmental origins social family birth cohort studies influence of ethnicity and global perspectives it takes a life course approach to the subject matter and includes exhaustive treatment of contributing factors to childhood obesity such as assessment environmental factors nutrition and dietary factors host factors interventions and treatment consequences and further action for future prevention this broad range of topics relevant to the rapidly changing field of childhood obesity is suitable for students health care professionals physicians and researchers

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Decoding Density of Solutions: A Comprehensive Guide

Density, a fundamental property of matter, plays a crucial role in various scientific and industrial applications. Understanding the density of solutions is particularly important in chemistry, pharmaceuticals, and environmental science. From determining the concentration of a solution to predicting its behaviour in different contexts, accurately calculating and interpreting solution density is essential. This article will address common challenges associated with understanding and calculating the density of solutions, providing practical solutions and insights along the way.

1. Understanding Density and its Relation to Solutions

Density is defined as the mass per unit volume of a substance, typically expressed in g/mL or kg/L. For pure substances, density is a constant at a given temperature and pressure. However, for solutions – homogeneous mixtures of two or more substances – density is dependent on the composition of the solution. The solute's presence alters the overall mass and volume, thus influencing the density. A denser solution will have a higher mass within the same volume compared to a less dense solution.

2. Calculating Density of Solutions: A Step-by-Step Approach

Calculating the density of a solution involves two simple steps: Step 1: Measure the mass of the solution. This can be achieved using an analytical balance, ensuring accurate measurements. Record the mass in grams (g). Step 2: Measure the volume of the solution. This can be done using a volumetric flask, pipette, or graduated cylinder, depending on the desired accuracy. Record the volume in milliliters (mL). Step 3: Apply the density formula. Density (ρ) is calculated using the formula: $\rho = \text{mass (m)} / \text{volume (V)}$ Example: A solution weighing 50.0 g occupies a volume of 40.0 mL. Its density is: $\rho = 50.0 \text{ g} / 40.0 \text{ mL} = 1.25 \text{ g/mL}$

3. Factors Affecting the Density of Solutions

Several factors significantly influence the density of a solution: Concentration of the solute: Increasing the concentration of the solute generally increases the density of the solution, as more solute mass is added to the same volume. Temperature: Density usually decreases with an increase in temperature. This is because increased kinetic energy causes molecules to move further apart, leading to a decrease in density at constant mass. Nature of the solute and solvent: The type of solute and solvent influences the interaction between them and, consequently, the overall volume and density of the solution. For example, dissolving a salt (ionic compound) in water might result in a higher density compared to dissolving a non-polar

substance in the same volume of water. Pressure: While less significant than temperature, pressure can slightly affect the density of a solution, especially for liquids and gases. Higher pressure generally leads to a slightly higher density.

4. Dealing with Non-Ideal Solutions: Apparent Molar Volume

In some cases, the volume of the solution isn't simply the sum of the volumes of the solute and solvent. This deviation from ideality is reflected in the concept of apparent molar volume. Precise density calculations require considering the interactions between solute and solvent molecules, which might lead to volume contraction or expansion. Advanced techniques and specialized databases are often necessary for accurate calculations involving non-ideal solutions.

5. Applications of Density Measurements in Solution Analysis

Density measurements are invaluable tools in various applications: **Concentration Determination:** Density is directly related to concentration. By creating a calibration curve relating density to concentration for a specific solution, one can determine the unknown concentration of a sample by simply measuring its density. **Quality Control:** In industries like pharmaceuticals and food processing, density measurements are crucial for ensuring product quality and consistency. **Environmental Monitoring:** Density measurements help monitor the concentration of pollutants in water or soil samples. **Material Identification:** Density can aid in identifying unknown substances based on their density values compared to known substances.

Summary

Understanding the density of solutions is fundamental in numerous scientific and industrial fields. Accurately determining density requires careful measurement of mass and volume and consideration of factors like temperature, concentration, and the nature of the solute and solvent. While simple calculations apply to ideal solutions, non-ideal systems require more advanced techniques. The wide-ranging applications of density measurements highlight its importance as a key property in characterizing and analyzing solutions.

FAQs

1. How does temperature affect the accuracy of density measurements? Temperature significantly impacts density. Precise measurements require maintaining a constant temperature throughout the experiment, often using a temperature-controlled environment or accounting for temperature variations through correction factors. 2. Can I use density to determine the molar mass of a solute? Not directly. While density is related to concentration, you need additional information, such as the concentration (molarity or molality) to calculate the molar mass of the solute. 3. What instruments are commonly used for measuring the density of solutions? Common instruments include analytical balances for mass measurement

