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In Search of Synergy in Small Group Performance Springer

The book, “The Search for Value in Supply Chains”, is about the journey of the author (Procyon Mukherjee) over 34 years in the field of supply chains that

spanned continents and covers several aspects of global supply chains and the puzzles around them. On one hand, it is about his experiences, it is also about the experiences of many others in the Universities of learning from Operations Planning, Manufacturing, Logistics, Procurement, and Finance; these universities are actually the workplaces where the puzzles in the supply chain get created a day in and day out and get solved as well. The book unravels some of the complexities that entail

supply chain dynamics, which could be in planning, procurement, or logistics. The examples in his book are taken from global supply chains as much as from local set-ups. The book captures very unique puzzles, including the ones created during the Covid-19 pandemic, the disruptions that come once during a lifetime. The object of the book is to reach supply chain practitioners and leaders and facilitate their journey, which is becoming complex by the day. Topics covered a span from Strategic dimensions, planning puzzles, organizational Enforcements, Core logistics to the Procurement Principles, Data integration, and Sustainability. Numerous case studies capturing the essence of problem-solving in diverse supply chains are part of the book. The purpose of the book is to evince interest in raising more questions and inquiries into the vast field of supply chain management and in the process sharpen the understanding of the subject.

Elsevier Science Limited

This book presents recent research work and results in the area of communication and information technologies. The book includes the main results of the 11th International Conference on Computing and Information Technology (IC2IT) held during July 2nd-3rd, 2015 in Bangkok, Thailand. The book is divided into the two main parts Data Mining and Machine Learning as well as Data Network and Communications. New algorithms and methods of data mining asr discussed as well as innovative applications and state-of-the-art technologies on data mining, machine learning and data networking.

Critical Developments and Applications of Swarm Intelligence
Microsoft Press

This book provides exactly what you want and expect from large print word searches.Each word

search is based on significant words from a well-known Puzzles printed in large font. So easy to read! Top quality puzzles. Solutions are also provided in case you get stuck. Relax and enjoy solving these Easy puzzles to stay sharp and have fun! 100 page 100 categories word search puzzles Large print on white paper is very easy to read. Start time finish time are include to keep your stat Each puzzle has one solution - provided at the back of the book. 25 word to search on page Softcover: 8.5 x 11 inch pages

Canadian Job Directory, 2002-2004 IGI Global
Based on extensive research, The Tidal Model charts the development of this

model of care, outlining its theoretical basis and including clinical examples to show the benefits of encouraging the client's greater involvement in their treatment.

18th European Symposium on Computer Aided Process Engineering
Springer Science & Business Media

Artificial intelligence is a constantly advancing field that requires models in order to accurately create functional systems. The use of natural acumen to create artificial intelligence creates a field of research in which the natural and the artificial meet in a new and innovative way.

Critical Developments and Applications of Swarm Intelligence is a critical academic publication that examines developing research, technologies, and function regarding natural

and artificial acumen specifically, in regards to self-organized systems. Featuring coverage on a broad range of topics such as evolutionary algorithms, optimization techniques, and computational comparison, this book is geared toward academicians, students, researchers, and engineers seeking relevant and current research on the progressive research based on the implementation of swarm intelligence in self-organized systems. Harmony Search and Nature Inspired Optimization Algorithms The Tidal Model The two-volume set LNICST 209-210 constitutes the post-conference proceedings of the 11th EAI International Conference on Communications and Networking, ChinaCom 2016, held in Chongqing, China, in September 2016. The total of 107

contributions presented in these volumes are carefully reviewed and selected from 181 submissions. The book is organized in topical sections on MAC schemes, traffic algorithms and routing algorithms, security, coding schemes, relay systems, optical systems and networks, signal detection and estimation, energy harvesting systems, resource allocation schemes, network architecture and SDM, heterogeneous networks, IoT (Internet of Things), hardware design and implementation, mobility management, SDN and clouds, navigation, tracking and localization, future mobile networks.

An Intelligent System for Engine Tribological Design Springer

Bringing together the expertise of worldwide authorities in the field,

Design for X is the first comprehensive book to offer systematic and structured coverage of contemporary and concurrent product development techniques. It features over fifteen techniques, including: design for manufacture and assembly; design for distribution; design for quality; and design for the environment.

Alternative approaches and common elements are discussed and critical issues such as integration and tradeoff are explored.

The Coastguard,
Emergency Towing
Vessels and the
Maritime Incident
Response Group John
Wiley & Sons

This book includes a

selection of refereed papers presented at the "Annual International Conference of the German Operations Research Society (OR2016)," which took place at the Helmut-Schmidt-Universität / Universität der Bundeswehr Hamburg, Germany, Aug. 30 - Sept. 2, 2016. Over 700 practitioners and academics from mathematics, computer science, business/economics, and related fields attended the conference. The scientific program included around 475 presentations on the theme Analytical Decision Making, focusing on the process of researching complex

decision problems and devising effective solution methods towards better decisions. The book presents papers discussing classical mathematical optimization, statistics and simulation techniques. Such approaches are complemented by computer science methods and tools for the processing of data and the design and implementation of information systems. The book also examines recent advances in information technology, which allow big data volumes to be treated and enable real-time predictive and prescriptive business analytics to drive

decisions and actions. Further, it includes problems modeled and treated under consideration of uncertainty, risk management, behavioral issues, and strategic decision situations.

Engineering Decision Making and Risk Management Springer Nature

This study examines the cross-level effect of group-level managers on member firms' problemistic search in hierarchical business groups. Using multi-level data from Korean business groups, we propose that the effects of failure to meet an aspiration level on R&D search intensity increase when member firm performance and R&D

investments are more cognitively accessible to group-level managers. Specifically, we find, first, that when underperforming firms are widespread in a business group, a focal member firm intensifies R&D search in response to performance below an aspiration level because member firm performance, as a group-level problem, becomes cognitively accessible to group-level managers. Second, as member firms operating in R&D intensive industries are more prevalent in a business group, R&D investments, as a search solution, become more cognitively accessible to group-level managers. Thus, a focal member firm reinforces R&D search in response to the performance shortfall.

We discuss the implications of these findings for research on the behavioral theory of the firm and performance feedback.

Research Anthology on Decision Support Systems and Decision Management in Healthcare, Business, and Engineering
Springer

Under current proposals the Maritime & Coastguard Agency plans to close ten of the existing 14 Maritime Rescue Coordination Centres and to leave three that remain open on a 24-hour basis and five that will operate in "daylight" hours only. The Transport Committee found little support for the

measures and has no confidence that, under these proposals, the Coastguard will in future be able to respond to emergencies at sea as well as they do now, let alone in a more effective way. The Committee is not convinced by the Government's claim that technology can, at present, replace local knowledge. Serious concerns were raised that the safety of people at sea, on cliffs and beaches will be jeopardised if the proposals proceed in their current form. Ministers must issue revised proposals for further consultation. The Committee also strongly condemns the Government's cost-	cutting decision to withdraw funding for the four Emergency Towing Vessels (ETVs) stationed around the UK coast - large tugs that intercept disabled ships to prevent environmental pollution disasters. The Transport Committee also criticises proposals to completely remove government funding for the Maritime Incident Response group (MIRG), a national fire-fighting-at-sea capability. Ministers should instead adopt a slimmed-down MIRG which is more cost-effective than the present arrangement. Lastly, the Committee records its
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disappointment that Mike Penning MP, Minister for Shipping, instructed regular coastguards not to give oral evidence to the committee on the basis that they were junior civil servants.

The Tidal Model The Stationery Office

This volume critically evaluates more than a century of empirical research on the effectiveness of small, task-performing groups, and offers a fresh look at the costs and benefits of collaborative work arrangements. The central question taken up by this book is whether -- and under what conditions -- interaction among group members leads to better performance than would otherwise be achieved

simply by combining the separate efforts of an equal number of people who work independently. This question is considered with respect to a range of tasks (idea-generation, problem solving, judgment, and decision-making) and from several different process perspectives (learning and memory, motivation, and member diversity). As a framework for assessing the empirical literature, the book introduces the concept of 'synergy.' Synergy refers to an objective gain in performance that is attributable to group interaction. Further, it distinguishes between weak and strong synergy, which are performance gains of different magnitude. The book highlights the

currently available empirical evidence for both weak and strong synergy, identifies the conditions that seem necessary to produce each, and suggests where the search for synergy might best be directed in the future. The book is at once a high-level introduction to the field, a review of the field's history, and a scholarly critique of the current state-of-the-art. As such, it is essential reading for graduate students, advanced undergraduate students, and researchers interested in group dynamics generally -- and small group performance in particular.

Recent Advances in
Knowledge-based
Paradigms and
Applications
Psychology Press

The Radial Basis Function (RBF) neural network has gained in popularity over recent years because of its rapid training and its desirable properties in classification and functional approximation applications. RBF network research has focused on enhanced training algorithms and variations on the basic architecture to improve the performance of the network. In addition, the RBF network is proving to be a valuable tool in a diverse range of application areas, for example, robotics, biomedical engineering, and the financial sector. The two volumes provide a comprehensive survey

of the latest developments in this area. Volume 1 covers advances in training algorithms, variations on the architecture and function of the basis neurons, and hybrid paradigms, for example RBF learning using genetic algorithms. Both volumes will prove extremely useful to practitioners in the field, engineers, researchers and technically accomplished managers.

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"O'Reilly Media, Inc."

Decision support

systems (DSS) are widely touted for their effectiveness in aiding decision making, particularly across a wide and diverse range of industries including healthcare, business, and engineering applications. The concepts, principles, and theories of enhanced decision making are essential points of research as well as the exact methods, tools, and technologies being implemented in these industries. From both a standpoint of DSS interfaces, namely the design and development of these technologies, along with the implementations, including experiences and utilization of these tools, one can get a better sense of how exactly DSS has changed the face of decision

making and management in multi-industry applications.

Furthermore, the evaluation of the impact of these technologies is essential in moving forward in the future.

The Research Anthology on Decision Support Systems and Decision Management in Healthcare, Business, and Engineering explores how decision support systems have been developed and implemented across diverse industries through perspectives on the technology, the utilizations of these tools, and from a decision management standpoint. The chapters will cover not only the interfaces, implementations, and functionality of these tools, but also the overall impacts they have had on

the specific industries mentioned. This book also evaluates the effectiveness along with benefits and challenges of using DSS as well as the outlook for the future. This book is ideal for decision makers, IT consultants and specialists, software developers, design professionals, academicians, policymakers, researchers, professionals, and students interested in how DSS is being used in different industries.

Creativity in Groups
"O'Reilly Media, Inc."

This six-volume-set (CCIS 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236) constitutes the refereed proceedings of the International Conference on

Computing, Information and Control, ICCIC 2011, held in Wuhan, China, in September 2011. The papers are organized in two volumes on Innovative Computing and Information (CCIS 231 and 232), two volumes on Computing and Intelligent Systems (CCIS 233 and 234), and in two volumes on Information and Management Engineering (CCIS 235 and 236).

Solution-focused Therapy Springer Science & Business Media

This book presents carefully selected contributions devoted to the modern perspective of AI research and

innovation. This collection covers several areas of applications and motivates new research directions. The theme across all chapters combines several domains of AI research, Computational Intelligence and Machine Intelligence including an introduction to the recent research and models. Each of the subsequent chapters reveals leading edge research and innovative solution that employ AI techniques with an applied perspective. The problems include classification of spatial images, early smoke detection in outdoor space from video images, emergent

<p>segmentation from image analysis, intensity modification in images, multi-agent modeling and analysis of stress. They all are novel pieces of work and demonstrate how AI research contributes to solutions for difficult real world problems that benefit the research community, industry and society. Collaborative Web Search Springer Science & Business Media</p> <p>This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 9th International Workshop on Hybrid Metaheuristics, HM 2014, held in Hamburg, Germany, in June 2014. The 14 revised full papers presented</p>	<p>were carefully reviewed and selected from 22 submissions. The selected papers cover both theoretical and experimental results, including new paradigmatic hybrid solvers and automatic design approaches as well as applications to logistics and public transport.</p> <p>Mathematical Methods in Computer Science Psychology Press</p> <p>How do you use Windows PowerShell to navigate the filesystem, manage files and folders, or retrieve a web page? This introduction to the PowerShell language and scripting environment provides more than 400 task-oriented recipes to help you solve all kinds of problems. Intermediate to advanced system administrators will find</p>
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more than 100 tried-and-tested scripts they can copy and use immediately. Updated for PowerShell 3.0, this comprehensive cookbook includes hands-on recipes for common tasks and administrative jobs that you can apply whether you 're on the client or server version of Windows. You also get quick references to technologies used in conjunction with PowerShell, including format specifiers and frequently referenced registry keys to selected .NET, COM, and WMI classes. Learn how to use PowerShell on Windows 8 and Windows Server 2012 Tour PowerShell 's core features, including the command model, object-based pipeline, and ubiquitous scripting Master fundamentals such as the interactive shell, pipeline, and object concepts Perform common tasks that involve working with files,

Internet-connected scripts, user interaction, and more Solve tasks in systems and enterprise management, such as working with Active Directory and the filesystem

Between Data Science and Applied Data Analysis

Springer Science & Business Media

Creativity is being recognized as an important source of competitive advantage because a single creative idea that is both novel and useful may take an organization in a profitable new direction.

This work aims to promote the burgeoning interest in group creativity by identifying new questions that will drive future research in this area.

Performance Feedback in Hierarchical

Business Groups

Springer Science & Business Media

`O'Connell presents a

comprehensive introduction to Solution- focused therapy (SFT). His writing is accessible making this an easy book to read. The way in which the material is organized and presented is appealing. The tone of the writing is down to earth and I imagine that few readers would feel alienated by the language regardless of training or theoretical background. This book provides not only an in- depth introduction to SFT but also provides the more experienced therapist with further ideas and principles. O'Connell manages to keep an air of hope and optimism in his writing which left me with a renewed sense of	enthusiasm for working with clients in a SFT way. Having read a substantial amount of literature in brief therapy, I found this book to be one of the best I have come across. O'Connell communicates his ideas in a clear and rational way and most importantly with an essential dose of humanity. I would recommend this book to almost everyone regardless of their professional background as it instills a sense of hope and change' - Counselling Psychology Review `A thoroughly enjoyable read about an inspiring approach to facilitating others without pathologising them, this
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book not only offers practical guidelines for beginners and validating supportive ideas for the more experienced, it could also inspire those who are simply interested in efficient and effective ways of empowering people via reminders of their potential to live zestful, creative, fruitful, connected lives' - Nurturing Potential `Solution-Focused Therapy is a comfortable introduction to SFT, which is best suited for students or those new to the model, or to professionals in other fields. It supports the novice practitioner in feeling that providing good therapy is within their grasp. Bill O'Connell's presentation of solution-focused therapy encourages theoretical integration, practicality, and trust in the abilities of the client over purity. Hopefully, such an approach would appeal to all therapists' - The Brief Therapy Networks Solution-Focused Therapy, Second Edition a is a popular introduction to the theory, practice and skills of an approach which is increasingly used by a variety of professionals including counsellors, psychologists, mental health workers, and social workers. Its popularity lies in the fact that it is both time-limited and cost-effective, which are

key considerations for many practitioners nowadays. For this, the Second Edition, the book has been fully revised and updated and now includes new sections on solution-focused supervision and running a solution-focused reflecting team. Most chapters include brief practice points for counsellors. This book will be of great interest to trainees of solution-focused therapy, as well as practitioners who work in a range of contexts where the emphasis is on providing effective brief interventions. Bill O'Connell is Director of Training for Focus on Solutions Limited in Birmingham. He was

previously Head of the Counselling Department at Westhill College of Higher Education, Birmingham, and is co-editor of Handbook of Solution-Focused Therapy (Sage, 2003).