

Brains Top Down

2013

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Simply The Brain

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the human brain is a most remarkable organ but how well do we really understand the way it works what is a brain and what is the mind do you only use 10 of your brain why do some people hear colour if you find yourself seeking the answers to these questions and many more then simply the brain may be the book for you simply the brain explores everything that goes on in the brain when you think feel and perceive the world around you if you re seeking a guide that breaks down the inner workings of the mind and the brain in a way that is easy to understand and jargon free then this essential guide is packed with everything you need to understand the basics quickly and easily covering more than 90 key ideas from neurons and nerves to forming memories and brain implants each pared back entry explains the concept more clearly than ever before dive straight in to discover simple easy to understand graphics help to explain more than 90 key concepts covers all aspects the brain to give a brief overview of this complex subject concise explanations quickly convey the most important information combining bold elegant graphics with easy to understand text simply the brain is the perfect introduction to the subject for those who are short of time but hungry for knowledge so if you re interested in neuroscience or curious about how the mind works then this is the book for you

The Changing Mind

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the new york times and sunday times bestseller from the author of the organized mind everyone we know needs this remarkable book essential for the rest of your life daniel h pink author of when and drive the secrets of ageing well a serious evidence based guide to what really works and why sunday times we have long been encouraged to think of old age as synonymous with a decline in skills yet recent studies show that our decision making improves as we age and our happiness levels peak in our eighties what really happens to our brains as we get older in the changing mind published in america as successful aging neuroscientist and internationally bestselling author daniel levitin invites us to dramatically shift our understanding of aging demonstrating the many benefits of growing older he draws on cutting edge research to offer realistic guidelines and practical tips for readers to follow during every decade of life showing us we all can learn from those who age joyously find out why the story that older people don t need as many hours of sleep is a myth what part environment behaviour and luck play in how our brains age how to increase the proportion of your life span spent in good health and decrease the time you spend sick what you can do to maintain strength of body mind and spirit whilst coping with the limitations of aging combining science and storytelling the changing mind is a radically new way to think about aging read this book wise sensitive and insightful david eagleman author of the brain a comprehensive and fascinating insight into the evolving human brain this book could change your life professor stephen westaby author of fragile lives

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From Here to There

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a wise and insightful exploration of human navigation what it means to be lost and how we find our way how is it that we can walk unfamiliar streets while maintaining a sense of direction come up with shortcuts on the fly in places we ve never traveled the answer is the complex mental map in our brains this feature of our cognition is easily taken for granted but it s also critical to our species evolutionary success in from here to there michael bond tells stories of the lost and found polynesian sailors orienteering champions early aviators and surveys the science of human navigation navigation skills are deeply embedded in our biology the ability to find our way over large distances in prehistoric times gave homo sapiens an advantage allowing us to explore the farthest regions of the planet wayfinding also shaped vital cognitive functions outside the realm of navigation including abstract thinking imagination and memory bond brings a reporter s curiosity and nose for narrative to the latest research from psychologists neuroscientists animal behaviorists and anthropologists he also turns to the people who design and expertly maneuver the world we navigate search and rescue volunteers cartographers ordnance mappers urban planners and more the result is a global expedition that furthers our understanding of human orienting in the natural and built environments a beguiling mix of storytelling and science from here to there covers the full spectrum of human navigation and spatial understanding in an age of gps and google maps bond urges us to exercise our evolved navigation skills and reap the surprising cognitive rewards

Recent Advances in Neuroscience

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neuroscience studies the nervous system to understand the biological basis of memory perception learning behavior and consciousness specific areas of the cerebral cortex codes for specific psychological functions nearly 20 000 25 000 genes of the human genome find expression in the brain also owing to the plasticity of the brain the synaptic structures and their functions change throughout life these aspects present a complex challenge to the understanding of the brain recent advances in neuroscience have been brought about by a progress in the fields of electrophysiology molecular biology and computational neuroscience this allows better understanding of the structure of the nervous system along with the way it works malfunctions develops and changes this book is a valuable compilation of topics ranging from the basic to the most complex advancements in the field of neuroscience different approaches evaluations methodologies and advanced studies on neuroscience have been included in this book it will prove to be immensely beneficial to students and researchers in this field

Projective Processes and Neuroscience in Art and Design

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recent advances in neuroscience suggest that the human brain is particularly well suited to design things concepts tools languages and places current research even indicates that the human brain may indeed have evolved to be creative to imagine new ideas to put them into practice and to critically analyze their results projective processes and neuroscience in art and design provides a forum for discussion relating to the intersection of projective processes and cognitive neuroscience this innovative publication offers a neuroscientific perspective on the roles and responsibilities of designers artists and architects with relation to the products they design expanding on current research in the areas of sensor perception cognition creativity and behavioral processes this publication is designed for use by researchers professionals and graduate level students working and studying the fields of design art architecture neuroscience and computer science

CSB Apologetics Study Bible, Gray Hardcover

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the csb apologetics study bible helps today's christians better understand defend and proclaim their beliefs in an age of increasing moral and spiritual relativism this study bible's updated content includes new articles and extensive apologetics bible study material that can serve during your devotionals from today's leading apologists to provide deeper understanding of the relevant apologetics issues and questions of today the bible includes commentary from over 90 christian apologetics leaders including ted cabal lee strobels chuck colson paul copan norm geisler hank hanegraaff josh mcdowell albert mohler j p moreland ravi zacharias and many more plus a lead article by lee strobels the case for christ the study bible features include a presentation page book introductions study notes apologetics articles from leading apologists twisted scripture explanations for commonly misunderstood passages profiles of christian apologists two color interior two column text 9 75 point type size smyth sewn binding ribbon marker full color maps and more the csb apologetics study bible features the highly readable highly reliable text of the christian standard bible r csb the csb stays as literal as possible to the bible's original meaning without sacrificing clarity making it easier to engage with scripture's life transforming message and to share it with others

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Introduction to Neuroscience

1988

a collection of tall tales about such american folk heroes as paul bunyan sally ann thunder ann whirlwind pecos bill and john henry

The Mind

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new york times bestseller national bestseller silver medalist for the 2022 axiom business book award for success motivation coaching shortlisted for the 2021 science writers and communicators of canada book award author of the iconic bestsellers this is your brain on music and the organized mind daniel levitin turns his keen insights to what happens in our brains as we age why we should think about health span not life span and based on a rigorous analysis of neuroscientific evidence what you can do to make the most of your seventies eighties and nineties today no matter how old you are now successful aging uses research from developmental neuroscience and the psychology of individual differences to show that sixty plus years is a unique

developmental stage that like infancy or adolescence has its own demands and distinct advantages levitin looks at the science behind what we all can learn from those who age joyously as well as how to adapt our culture to take full advantage of older people s wisdom and experience throughout his exploration of what aging really means levitin reveals resilience strategies and practical cognitive enhancing tricks everyone should do as they age the book is packed with accessible and discussable takeaways providing great material for reading groups and media coverage successful aging inspires a powerful new approach to how readers think about our final decades and it will revolutionize the way we plan for old age as individuals family members and citizens within a society where the average life expectancy continues to rise

Successful Aging

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human greatness has many connotations since the requirements for membership in this category are vague and poorly defined admittance to the mount olympus is frequently erratic and subjective especially in view of a wide penumbra zone of border cases nevertheless rising above a twilight zone of debatable cases there are individuals whose right for membership is unquestionable in science one of the unequivocal criteria for greatness relates to how far one s scientific achievement affects the opening of new horizons and points to directions for future development and progress unveiling new visions can derive only from creative people who conceive original ideas and concepts and who are daring enough to promote them against the indifference or opposition of the establishment maintaining the integrity and the faith to one s own ideals may require extraordinary strength of character up to courting persecution or even death as happened in the middle ages and more recently in the first half of this century with regard to cecile and oskar vogt whose lives and accomplishments are described in this book thus the greatness of the vogts is based both on their penetrating vision of the future for brain research and on the sterling quality of their character which sustained a test of fire during the nazi years in germany

Art of Possible - New Habits, Neuroscience and the Power of

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since the first implant of a carbon microelectrode in a rat 35 years ago there have been substantial advances in the sensitivity selectivity and temporal resolution of electrochemical techniques today these methods provide neurochemical information that is not accessible by other means the growing recognition of the versatility of electrochemi

Cécile and Oskar Vogt: The Visionaries of Modern Neuroscience

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the second volume is devoted to issues of compositionality that arouse in the sciences of language the investigation of the mind and the modeling of representational brain functions how could compositional languages evolve how many sentences are needed to learn a compositional language how does compositionality relate to the interpretation of texts the generation of idioms and metaphors and the understanding of aberrant expressions what psychological mechanism underlies the combination of complex concepts and finally what neuronal structure can possibly realize a compositional system of mental representations

Electrochemical Methods for Neuroscience

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philosophy and neuroscience a ruthlessly reductive account is the first book length treatment of philosophical issues and implications in current cellular and molecular neuroscience john bickle articulates a philosophical justification for investigating lower level neuroscientific research and describes a set of experimental details that have recently yielded the reduction of memory consolidation to the molecular mechanisms of long term potentiation ltp these empirical details suggest answers to recent philosophical disputes over the nature and possibility of psycho neural scientific reduction including the multiple realization challenge mental causation and relations across explanatory levels bickle concludes by examining recent work in cellular neuroscience pertaining to features of conscious experience including the cellular basis of working memory the effects of explicit selective attention on single cell activity in visual cortex and sensory experiences induced by cortical microstimulation

Applications to Linguistics, Psychology and Neuroscience

2013-03-07

this ebook is a collection of articles from a frontiers research topic frontiers research topics are very popular trademarks of the frontiers journals series they are collections of at least ten articles all centered on a particular subject with their unique mix of varied contributions from original research to review articles frontiers research topics unify the most influential researchers the latest key findings and historical advances in a hot research area find out more on how to host your own frontiers research topic or contribute to one as an author by contacting the frontiers editorial office frontiersin.org/about/contact

Philosophy and Neuroscience

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legendary record producer turned brain scientist explains why you fall in love with music extraordinary insights about music emotion and the brain an instant classic daniel levitin author of this is your brain on music this is what it sounds like is a journey into the science and soul of music it s also the story of a musical trailblazer who began as a humble audio tech in la to become prince s chief engineer for purple rain and one of the most successful female record producers of all time now an award winning professor of cognitive neuroscience dr susan rogers takes readers behind the scenes of record making and leads us to musical self awareness she explains that everyone possesses a unique listener profile shows how being musical can mean actively listening and encourages us to think about the records that define us lively and illuminating this book will refresh your playlists deepen your connection to artists and change the way you listen to music superb this book can show you how to be a better listener times literary supplement a provocative blend of studio stories and fascinating neuroscience alan light author of let s go crazy prince and the making of purple rain fizzing with energy and insight a crucial addition to the canon of music must reads kate hutchinson

The Interface Between Psychoanalysis and Neuroscience: The State of the Art

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translating recent neuroscience and infant research to clinical practice by decoding the scientific data this book explains how recent findings from brain and infant research can expand a clinician s understanding of the therapist client relationship and in turn improve how therapy is done offering clinical insights into key developmental mechanisms judith rustin highlights the possibilities for new and creative treatment protocols she summarizes and synthesizes basic concepts and ideas derived from infant research and neuroscience for clinicians not familiar with the literature using examples from her own practice to show how a clinician might integrate these concepts into psychodynamic practice she invites other clinicians to experiment with finding their own pathways to integration of this valuable material in the clinical endeavor rustin explains how self and mutual regulation or bidirectional interaction concepts of which are both firmly grounded in the dyadic systems model of interaction develop in infancy how they contribute to a growing sense of self and how they ultimately serve as templates for future interactions with others she explains and shows how an understanding of them enriches

a two person perspective in clinical work she then focuses on the brain science behind four additional concepts each of which has particular application to clinical work memory the mind body connection the fear system and mirror neurons and the concept of shared circuitry clinical material is interwoven with explications of each concept

This Is What It Sounds Like

2012-12-31

what are the chances reveals how psychology and neuroscience explain the significance of the idea of luck barbara blatchley explores how people react to random events in a range of circumstances examining the evidence that the belief in luck helps us cope with a lack of control

Infant Research & Neuroscience at Work in Psychotherapy: Expanding the Clinical Repertoire

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experts from academia and industry discuss how to create a new more effective translational neuroscience drawing on novel technology and recent discoveries today translational neuroscience faces significant challenges available therapies to treat brain and nervous system disorders are extremely limited and dated and further development has effectively ceased disinvestment by the private sector occurred just as promising new technologies in genomics stem cell biology and neuroscience emerged to offer new possibilities in this volume experts from both academia and industry discuss how novel technologies and reworked translation concepts can create a more effective translational neuroscience the contributors consider such topics as using genomics and neuroscience for better diagnostics and biomarker identification new approaches to disease based on stem cell technology and more careful use of animal models and greater attention to human biology and what it will take to make new therapies available for clinical use they conclude with a conceptual roadmap for an effective and credible translational neuroscience one informed by a disease focused knowledge base and clinical experience contributors tobias m böckers thomas bourgeron karl broich nils brose bruce n cuthbert ilka diester gül dölen guoping feng richard frackowiak raquel e gur stephan heckers franz hefti david m holtzman steven e hyman nancy ip cynthia joyce tobias kaiser edward h koo walter j koroshetz katja s kroker robert c malenka isabelle mansuy eliezer masliah yuan mei andreas meyer lindenbergh lennart mucke pierluigi nicotera karoly nikolich michael j owen menelas n pangalos alvaro pascual leone joel s perlmuter trevor w robbins lee l rubin akira sawa mareike schnaars bernd sommer maria grazia spillantini laura spinney matthew w state marius wernig

The Conscious Hustle (hardcover)

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how powerful new methods in nonlinear control engineering can be applied to neuroscience from fundamental model formulation to advanced medical applications over the past sixty years powerful methods of model based control engineering have been responsible for such dramatic advances in engineering systems as autolandng aircraft autonomous vehicles and even weather forecasting over those same decades our models of the nervous system have evolved from single cell membranes to neuronal networks to large scale models of the human brain yet until recently control theory was completely inapplicable to the types of nonlinear models being developed in neuroscience the revolution in nonlinear control engineering in the late 1990s has made the intersection of control theory and neuroscience possible in neural control engineering steven schiff seeks to bridge the two fields examining the application of new methods in nonlinear control engineering to neuroscience after presenting extensive material on formulating computational neuroscience models in a control environment including some fundamentals of the algorithms helpful in crossing the divide from intuition to effective application schiff examines a range of applications including brain machine interfaces and neural stimulation he reports on research that he and his

colleagues have undertaken showing that nonlinear control theory methods can be applied to models of single cells small neuronal networks and large scale networks in disease states of parkinson s disease and epilepsy with neural control engineering the reader acquires a working knowledge of the fundamentals of control theory and computational neuroscience sufficient not only to understand the literature in this transdisciplinary area but also to begin working to advance the field the book will serve as an essential guide for scientists in either biology or engineering and for physicians who wish to gain expertise in these areas

What Are the Chances?

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this book is about the neuroscience of you and the mind body connection starting with the evolution of awareness the book will explain the theory of mind and how it relates to our ability to recognize ourselves in the mirror in the second part the book will discuss the philosophy of consciousness and how we could create consciousness with artificial intelligence who is this for what is it about what will it do for me this book is for anyone interested in the inner mechanisms that make up you your consciousness your perception of self and your awareness while it raises significant philosophic and scientific questions it is an introductory book and can be read and understood by anyone new to the topic the book explains how our brain evolved over millions of years what damage to our brain can do to our conscious experience of the world and how we could recreate human consciousness in a mechanical system for you the reader the book will provide you with a new perspective on free will consciousness and philosophy imagine one of our ancestors in the distant past sitting near a lake lost in thought she looks into the water and sees her reflection then for the first time in the evolutionary history of humans the question is asked what is this experience i have of myself unbeknownst to her that question would vex humanity through modern times today there is again an entity looking into a proverbial lake and examining its reflection while artificial intelligence is still in its infancy it is on the verge of recognizing itself and asking the same question who am i the closer we come to a machine that seems to be as intelligent as a human being the more we start to worry about our own subjective experience if a computer eventually becomes indistinguishable from us what makes humans special what is our role in the universe if we are so similar to a computer program does your brain need you at all in this book i will examine from the ground up questions about consciousness many steps toward the understanding of the self will tell you nothing about the self until your right hemisphere connects everything into one idea as you understand the concept such an insight is also called an epiphany using a brain scanner we can actually observe someone having an epiphany when the brain s right hemisphere suddenly buzzes with activity while the left hemisphere deals with concrete entities the right hemisphere helps with looking for alternative meanings for example the left hemisphere might identify a bank as a financial institution while the right hemisphere also considers it to be the edge of a river riverbank in the old indo aryan language sanskrit an epiphany leading you to the answer about who you are is called bodhi which literally means awakening or enlightenment similarly the name buddha means the awakened one or the enlightened one a similar idea can be found in zen buddhism as satori which corresponds to a very sudden insight this book shows some of the steps leading to satori combining the insights of philosophers and scientists into a new idea of what the self means with this knowledge we can better reflect on our own values and act according to reality rather than just blindly following someone else s beliefs my goal with the book is to give you an introduction to neuroscience that is not scattered into different parts i aim to focus on helping you to answer the following questions what is the self does your brain even need a self is there a consciousness beyond the body what is this seemingly mysterious subjective experience we share how can we think dream plan feel and make decisions

Translational Neuroscience

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scientific and commercial interest in the field of nutritional neuroscience has grown immensely over the last decade today a broad range of dietary supplements foods for weight loss functional foods nutraceuticals and medical foods are widely available many of these products are marketed for their effects on behavior or brain function which relates directly to nutritional neuroscience and raises issues regarding their safety and efficacy the only comprehensive reference on this subject nutritional neuroscience discusses the relationship of nutrition to behavior and neuroscience following a review of

fundamental issues and methods the book covers the effects of macronutrients and micronutrients on brain function and behavior chapters are devoted to the effects of a wide range of foods specific nutrients food constituents and food additives on cognitive behavior and development the final section examines foods and supplements that modulate brain function with a broad range of information presented in a simple and straightforward manner this book provides an ideal introduction to nutritional neuroscience the depth of information and comprehensive coverage also make this an essential reference for specialists involved in nutrition neuroscience pharmacology psychology and related disciplines

Neural Control Engineering

2005-03-18

these essays on a range of topics in the cognitive neurosciences report on the progress in the field over the twenty years of its existence and reflect the many groundbreaking scientific contributions and enduring influence of michael gazzaniga the godfather of cognitive neuroscience

Does Your Brain Need You? An Introduction to Neuroscience and Consciousness

2010

human beings evolved in the company of others mutually reinforcing connections between brains minds and societies have profound implications for physical and emotional health social neuroscience offers a comprehensive new framework for studying human brain development and human behavior in their social context

Nutritional Neuroscience

2015

this book will be of interest to anyone who wishes to know what role mathematics can play in attempting to comprehend the dynamics of the human brain it also aims to serve as a general introduction to neuromathematics the book gives the reader a qualitative understanding and working knowledge of useful mathematical applications to the field of neuroscience the book is readable by those who have little knowledge of mathematics for neuroscience but are committed to begin acquiring such knowledge

The Cognitive Neuroscience of Mind

2007-12-14

a textbook for students with limited background in mathematics and computer coding emphasizing computer tutorials that guide readers in producing models of neural behavior this introductory text teaches students to understand simulate and analyze the complex behaviors of individual neurons and brain circuits it is built around computer tutorials that guide students in producing models of neural behavior with the associated matlab code freely available online from these models students learn how individual neurons function and how when connected neurons cooperate in a circuit the book demonstrates through simulated models how oscillations multistability post stimulus rebounds and chaos can arise within either single neurons or circuits and it explores their roles in the brain the book first presents essential background in neuroscience physics mathematics and matlab with explanations illustrated by many example problems subsequent chapters cover the neuron and spike production single spike trains and the underlying cognitive processes conductance based models the simulation of synaptic connections firing rate models of large scale circuit operation dynamical systems and their components synaptic plasticity and techniques for analysis of neuron population datasets including principal components analysis hidden markov modeling

and bayesian decoding accessible to undergraduates in life sciences with limited background in mathematics and computer coding the book can be used in a flipped or inverted teaching approach with class time devoted to hands on work on the computer tutorials it can also be a resource for graduate students in the life sciences who wish to gain computing skills and a deeper knowledge of neural function and neural circuits

Social Neuroscience

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written by an international team of leading experts in neuroscience this book presents an overview of some of the main schools of thought as well as current research trends in neuroscience it focuses on neural top down causation applied to hot topics like consciousness emotions the self and the will action and behavior neural networks brains and society a special feature of the book is pertinent presentations and lively discussions on the topic the book provides the reader with invaluable information on what the latest research is in this field and will enable the reader to gain considerable amount of knowledge as well as hints for further enquiry this is the first book on the topic of neuroscience and top down causation and is written at a level that will interest both academics and the general readers the extensive and lively discussions included in the book offer the reader a clear idea of the research in this field and what will emerge as the main trends

Neuroscience

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in recent years the boundaries of the neurological fields have blurred and students and scientists in all subdivisions of neuroscience now must be familiar not only with the terminology of their own specialty but also with that of the related disciplines in response to these developments the author has written this revised and expanded edition of her desk reference for neuroanatomy springer verlag 1977 entitled desk reference for neuroscience second edition the dictionary has been amplified to include terms from neurophysiology neuropathology and neuropharmacology in addition to neuroanatomy illustrations have been added and the references and bibliography thoroughly updated students and scientists will find the second edition of the desk reference for neuroscience an accessible and practical guide to essential terms and definitions in all branches of the neurosciences

An Introductory Course in Computational Neuroscience

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this practical resource draws on the best of neuroscience to inform decision making about digital learning we live in unprecedented times that have pushed schools to make many decisions that have been postponed for years for the first time since the inception of public education teachers have been invited to redesign the learning landscape by integrating an intelligent selection of digital educational resources and changing pedagogical approaches based on information from the learning sciences this handbook will help teachers make the most of this opportunity by showing them how to use digital tools to differentiate learning employ alternative options to standardized testing personalize learning prioritize social emotional skills and inspire students to think more critically the author identifies some gems in quality teaching that are amplified in online contexts including 40 evidence informed pedagogies from the learning sciences this book will help all educators move online teaching and learning to new levels of confidence and success book features provides quick references to key planning tools like decision trees graphics app recommendations and step by step directions to help teachers create their own online learning courses guides teachers through a 12 step model for instructional design that meets both national and international standards shows educators how to use an all new digital resource taxonomy to select resources and how to research and keep them up to date explains why good instructional design and educational technology are complementary with best practices in learning sciences like mind brain and education science shares ways teachers can leverage technology to create more time for the personalized aspects of learning shows educators how to design online courses with

tools that let all students begin at their own starting points and how to differentiate homework offers evidence informed pedagogies to make online intimate and authentic for students

Brains Top Down: Is Top-down Causation Challenging Neuroscience?

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experts describe current perspectives and experimental approaches to understanding the neural bases of creativity this volume offers a comprehensive overview of the latest neuroscientific approaches to the scientific study of creativity in chapters that progress logically from neurobiological fundamentals to systems neuroscience and neuroimaging leading scholars describe the latest theoretical genetic structural clinical functional and applied research on the neural bases of creativity the treatment is both broad and in depth offering a range of neuroscientific perspectives with detailed coverage by experts in each area the contributors discuss such issues as the heritability of creativity creativity in patients with brain damage neurodegenerative conditions and mental illness clinical interventions and the relationship between psychopathology and creativity neuroimaging studies of intelligence and creativity the neuroscientific basis of creativity enhancing methodologies and the information processing challenges of viewing visual art contributors baptiste barbot mathias benedek david q beversdorf aaron p blaisdell margaret a boden dorret i boomsma adam s bristol shelley carson marleen h m de moor andreas fink liane gabora dennis garlick elena l grigorenko richard j haier rex e jung james c kaufman helmut leder kenneth j leising bruce l miller apara ranjan mark p roeling w david stahlman mei tan pablo p l tinio oshin vartanian indre v viskontas dahlia w zaidel

Desk Reference for Neuroscience

2013-08-30

an essential reconsideration of one of the most far reaching theories in modern neuroscience and psychology in 1992 a group of neuroscientists from parma italy reported a new class of brain cells discovered in the motor cortex of the macaque monkey these cells later dubbed mirror neurons responded equally well during the monkey s own motor actions such as grabbing an object and while the monkey watched someone else perform similar motor actions researchers speculated that the neurons allowed the monkey to understand others by simulating their actions in its own brain mirror neurons soon jumped species and took human neuroscience and psychology by storm in the late 1990s theorists showed how the cells provided an elegantly simple new way to explain the evolution of language the development of human empathy and the neural foundation of autism in the years that followed a stream of scientific studies implicated mirror neurons in everything from schizophrenia and drug abuse to sexual orientation and contagious yawning in the myth of mirror neurons neuroscientist gregory hickok reexamines the mirror neuron story and finds that it is built on a tenuous foundation a pair of codependent assumptions about mirror neuron activity and human understanding drawing on a broad range of observations from work on animal behavior modern neuroimaging neurological disorders and more hickok argues that the foundational assumptions fall flat in light of the facts he then explores alternative explanations of mirror neuron function while illuminating crucial questions about human cognition and brain function why do humans imitate so prodigiously how different are the left and right hemispheres of the brain why do we have two visual systems do we need to be able to talk to understand speech what s going wrong in autism can humans read minds the myth of mirror neurons not only delivers an instructive tale about the course of scientific progress from discovery to theory to revision but also provides deep insights into the organization and function of the human brain and the nature of communication and cognition

Bringing the Neuroscience of Learning to Online Teaching

2014-08-18

from the day we are born life is teaching us lessons whether it is how we navigate our physical environment or our socio cultural surround we are

constantly trying to make sense of our reality by listening to these life lessons yet while many of life's lessons reinforce our reality every so often life's lessons present us with a curious idea that everything out there our reality may not be as real as it seems a theory of nothing how is the finite reality created from the infinite chronicles one man's lifelong journey to develop life's lessons into a concept of reality that challenges our preconceived notions of objectivity although we tend to think of the world around us and our reality as being a shared objective world in which we live author d n warren smith furthers the philosophical argument that it is really our subjective perceptions that shape and even make the world around us with compelling logical arguments and descriptions of personal experience he shows that our most basic assumptions about the reality of our existence in fact keep the true nature of reality hidden from us once we realise that there is no way to conclusively prove that we actually exist in an objective reality we must weigh up the implications of a non objective subjective reality and what it means for our lives we have a choice for our belief in what exists how will you choose

Neuroscience of Creativity

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a comprehensive integrated and accessible textbook presenting core neuroscientific topics from a computational perspective tracing a path from cells and circuits to behavior and cognition this textbook presents a wide range of subjects in neuroscience from a computational perspective it offers a comprehensive integrated introduction to core topics using computational tools to trace a path from neurons and circuits to behavior and cognition moreover the chapters show how computational neuroscience methods for modeling the causal interactions underlying neural systems complements empirical research in advancing the understanding of brain and behavior the chapters all by leaders in the field and carefully integrated by the editors cover such subjects as action and motor control neuroplasticity neuromodulation and reinforcement learning vision and language the core of human cognition the book can be used for advanced undergraduate or graduate level courses it presents all necessary background in neuroscience beyond basic facts about neurons and synapses and general ideas about the structure and function of the human brain students should be familiar with differential equations and probability theory and be able to pick up the basics of programming in matlab and or python slides exercises and other ancillary materials are freely available online and many of the models described in the chapters are documented in the brain operation database bodb which is also described in a book chapter contributors michael a arbib joseph ayers james bednar andrej bicanski james j bonaiuto nicolas brunel jean marie cabelguyen carmen canavier angelo cangelosi richard p cooper carlos r cortes nathaniel daw paul dean peter ford dominey pierre enel jean marc fellous stefano fusi wulfram gerstner frank grasso jacqueline a griego ziad m hafed michael e hasselmo auke ijspeert stephanie jones daniel kersten jeremie knuesel owen lewis william w lytton tomaso poggio john porrill tony j prescott john rinzel edmund rolls jonathan rubin nicolas schweighofer mohamed a sherif malle a tagamets paul f m j verschure nathan vierling claasen xiao jing wang christopher williams ransom winder alan l yuille

The Myth of Mirror Neurons: The Real Neuroscience of Communication and Cognition

2016-11-04

this book argues that computational models in behavioral neuroscience must be taken with caution and advocates for the study of mathematical models of existing theories as complementary to neuro psychological models and computational models

A Theory of Nothing

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