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"This is probably the single most valuable resource for the entrepreneurs aspiring to build successful companies"—Ron Conway, Special Adviser, SV Angel, and investor in Facebook, Google, Twitter, Foursquare, PayPal, Zappos "I highly recommend Venture Capitalists at Work. This book captures the personalities and approaches of a number of practitioners and displays the heart and soul of the venture capital process, by offering an exclusive window into the voice of the practitioners."—Gus Tai, Trinity Ventures "Venture Capitalists at Work is a foundational pillar in an entrepreneur's understanding and resources. This is a first in terms of the level of detail, quality of discussion, and insight."—George Zachary, Charles River Ventures and Investor in Twitter Venture Capitalists at Work: How VCs Identify and Build Billion-Dollar Successes offers unparalleled insights into the funding and management of companies like YouTube, Zappos, Twitter, Starent, Facebook, and Groupm. The venture capitalists profiled—among them, many ways they help the companies they fund, avoidable mistakes they see all too often, the role of luck in a success, and why so many startups fail. Venture Capitalists at Work also contains interviews with those on the receiving end of venture money—entrepreneurs in high-profile startups that went on to achieve great success. Whether aspiring VC, an M&A professional, or an ambitious student, the knowledge you will gain from Venture Capitalists at Work could provide a significant shortcut to success. Other books in the APress At Work Series: Coders at Work, Seibel, 978-1-4302-1948-4 CIOs at Work, Yourdon, 978-1-4302-3554-5 CTOs at Work, Donaldson, Seigel, & De Fouders at Work, Livingston, 978-1-4302-1078-8 European Founders at Work, Santos, 978-1-4302-3906-2 Women Leaders at Work, Ghaffari, 978-1-4302-3729-7 Advertisers at Work, Tuten, 978-1-4302-3828-7 Gamers at Work, Ramsay, 978-1-4302-3351-0

The definitive guide to demystifying the venture capital business The Business of Venture Capital, Second Edition covers the entire spectrum of this field, from raising funds and structuring investments to assessing exit pathways. Written by a practitioner for practitioners, the book provides the necessary breadth and depth, simplifies the analytical logic with experiential wisdom. Starting with a Foreword by Mark Heesen, President, National Venture Capital Association (NVCA), this important guide includes insights and perspectives from leading experts. Covers the process of raising the venture fund, including identifying and assessing the Limited Partner universe; fund due-diligence; investment terms in Part One Discusses the investment process, including sourcing investment opportunities; conducting due diligence and negotiating investment terms; adding value as a board member; and exploring exit pathways in Part Two Offers insights, anecdotes, and wisdom from the experiences of best-in-class practitioners Includes Leading Limited Partners/Fund-of-Funds with Credit Suisse, Top Tier Capital Partners, Grove Street Advisors, Rho Capital, Pension Fund Managers, and Family Office Managers Features the insights of over twenty-five leading venture capital practitioners, frequently featured on Forbes' Midas List of top venture capitalists Those aspiring to own or simply understand the art of investing can benefit from The Business of Venture Capital, Second Edition. The companion website offers various tools such as GP Fund Due Diligence Checklist, Investment Due Diligence Checklist, and more, as well as external links to industry white papers and other industry guidelines. Entrepreneurs who dream of building the next Amazon, Facebook, or Google can take advantage of one of the most powerful economic engines the world has ever known: venture capital. To do so, you need to wow, impress, and persuade venture capitalists to take a risk on an unproven idea. That task is challenge enough. But choosing the right VC. Even if you manage to get backing, you may want your VC to be a partner, not some adversary who will undermine your vision in order to make a quick return. Jeffrey Bussgang is one of a few people who have played on both sides of this high-stakes game. By his early thirties, he had helped build two successful start-ups-one went public and he draws on his experience and unique perspective on the "other side" as a venture capitalist helping entrepreneurs bring their dreams to fruition. Bussgang offers detailed insights, colorful stories, and practical advice gathered from his own experience as well as from interviews with dozens of the most successful players on both sides of the VC game. Jack Dorsey and LinkedIn's Reid Hoffman. He reveals how to get noticed, perfect a pitch, and negotiate a partnership that works for everyone. An insider's guide to the secrets of the world venture capital. Mastering the VC Game will prove invaluable for entrepreneurs seeking capital and successful partnerships.

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Venture Capitalists at Work

My Misadventure in the Start-Up Bubble

Virtual Economies

Big Data for Improved Health Outcomes

Become the Candidate That Every Venture Capital Firm Would Like to Hire

Becoming a Venture Capitalist

A Mind for Business

The Startup CEO Guidebook

WHAT VALUABLE COMPANY IS NOBODY BUILDING? The next Bill Gates will not build an operating system. The next Larry Page or Sergey Brin won't make a search engine. If you are copying these guys, you aren't learning from them. It's easier to copy a model than to make something new: doing what we already know how to do takes the world from 1 to n, adding more of something familiar. Every new creation goes from 0 to 1. This book is about how to get there. Peter Thiel has built multiple breakthrough companies, and Zero to One shows how. ELON MUSK, CEO of SpaceX and Tesla "This book delivers completely new and refreshing ideas on how to create value in the world." MARK ZUCKERBERG, CEO of Facebook "When a risk taker writes a book, read it. In the case of Peter Thiel, read it twice. Or, to be safe, three times. This is a classic." NASSIM NICHOLAS TALEB, author of The Black Swan

Subconscious and psychologically proven methods to attract others, spark chemistry, and create affection and love. There is a definitive science to attraction, and it turns out we've been doing it wrong the entire time. This book is your textbook and field manual for (1) how to flirt better, (2) have better sex, and (3) plant the seeds of romantic love in whomever you want. Understand the instinctual triggers of attraction. The Science of Engineering Attraction & Love is an in-depth look at human attraction and what draws people together. It dives into peer-reviewed research, combined with the insightful and straightforward observations of a renowned dating coach - Patrick King is an internationally bestselling author and acclaimed speaker and coach. Together, this book is the ultimate guide to inform, diagnose, and ultimately win the hearts of the next level. No tricks, no manipulation; only getting inside the human psyche. Find the shortcuts to powerful chemistry. Too often, we rely on our own experiences with a sample size of one, or advice from friends that are perpetually single. There's a better way - looking at the research and evidence about what we really want, not what we think we want. You'll learn why we like who we like, and what to do about it. Predict people's responses as a matter of psychology. How to attract from first sight and first touch. How to overcome evolutionary types of attraction are still highly relevant. -How to win the chase. -Flirting styles, methods, and sequences proven to work. Discover the surprising truths about what keeps people coming back. -Whether you should date someone similar or complementary to yourself. -How to trigger love by not focusing on it. -How to know exactly what you want in a partner. -How to have fulfilling sex. -Vanilla and kinky.

What available problem destroys more young startups than any other? Why is it a mistake to ask for introductions to investors? How do you play the CEO card? Should you sell out? Author and four-time founder/CEO Dan Shapiro tells the stories of dozens of startups whose companies lived and died by the advice in these pages. From inception to destruction and triumph to despair, this rollercoaster read takes aspiring entrepreneurs from the highs of billion-dollar payouts and market-smashing success to the depths of impostor syndrome and bankruptcy. Hot Seat is divided into the five phases of the startup CEO experience. Founding explains how to formulate your idea, allocate equity, and not argue yourself to death Funding provides the keys to venture capital, angels, and crowdfunding, plus clear advice on which approach to choose Leadership lays out a path to build a strategy and culture for your team that will survive good times and bad management reveals how to manage your board, argue with your team, and play the CEO card Endgame explains how to finish a company's existence with grace, wealth, and minimal litigation

Explore the theory and practical applications of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning in healthcare. This book offers a guided tour of machine learning algorithms, architecture design, and applications of learning in healthcare and big data challenges. You'll discover the ethical implications of healthcare data analytics and the future of AI in population and patient health optimization. You'll also create a machine learning model, evaluate performance and operationalize its outcomes within your organization. Machine Learning and AI for Healthcare provides techniques on how to apply machine learning within your organization and evaluate the efficacy, suitability, and efficiency of AI applications. These are illustrated through leading case studies, including how chronic disease is being redefined through patient-led data learning and the Internet of Things. What You'll Learn Gain a deeper understanding of key machine learning algorithms and their use and implementation within wider healthcare Implement machine learning systems, such as speech recognition and enhanced deep learning/AI Select learning methods/algorithms and tuning for use in healthcare Recognize and prepare for the future of artificial intelligence in healthcare through best practices, feedback loops and intelligent agents Who This Book Is For Health care professionals interested in how machine learning can be used to develop health intelligence - with the aim of improving patient health, population health and facilitating significant care-payer cost savings.

Notes on Start Ups, or How to Build the Future

J-Curve Exposure

Making Moonshots

The Science of Attraction

The Business of Venture Capital

A How to Guide

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Imagine selling \$2 million "worth" of Google stock and only receiving \$50 in return? This scenario happens every day for venture-backed companies. Failure to quickly understand high-growth company valuation can cost trillions of dollars. Yet very few leaders involved in a venture-backed company have a definitive understanding of how valuation techniques are being applied to their financial statements and the decision-making process. Featuring extensive case studies of high-profile corporations, including Facebook, Twitter, and Microsoft, Venture Capital Valuation provides the knowledge and techniques necessary to understand and value high-growth companies. Sharing his twenty-year track record helping thousands of investors, practitioners, and entrepreneurs measure and realize high-growth venture, author Lorenzo Carver draws on real-world cases from investors, founders, and advisors to illustrate how each corporation was impacted by valuations. By putting these techniques into a context and framework, Venture Capital Valuation simplifies them so that anyone founding, running, and investing in these innovative companies can apply them immediately. Featuring a companion website where readers can access and download additional case study material, as well as different valuation materials mentioned throughout the text, Venture Capital Valuation explores: Why what you don't know about valuation will cost you money How VCs, angels, founders, and employees give up investment cash flow every day Facebook at \$80 billion valuation versus Enron at \$80 billion valuation Deal terms, waterfalls, and the pre-money myth Whether venture-backed companies should even consider a discounted cash flow (DCF) model Separating enterprise value from the allocation of that value Valuation tool equity using Future Value (FV) and Present Value (PV) to value future cash flows today Why applying the typical DCF model to a venture-backed company hardly ever works "Enterprise Value" + "Allocation Methods" = Value Destruction Undervaluing companies and overvaluing employee options Why you should D.O.W.T. (doubt) venture capital returns 409A valuation pitfalls discussing topic 820 (FAS 157) with VC CFOs An invaluable resource for anyone who wants to make the most out of their investments, Venture Capital Valuation shows business appraisers and venture capitalists how to maximize their returns and avoid losing money-before the damage becomes irreparable. Venture Capital is a marriage between 'people with money and no ideas' and 'people with ideas and no money.' It is a high-risk investment vehicle with the potential for manifold returns and the possibility of a complete investment written-off. Although it is essentially private more and smaller in size than traditional financing pillars, its impact has been phenomenal, even to the extent of transforming the way we live in the modern world. Yet the fact remains that the business of venture capital is not fully understood by startup founders and fund managers are also not familiar with the inner workings of other venture funds. And, as more public or tax-players' money flows into this asset class, it begs a shift from the existing esoteric styles to more transparent and predictable operations. It would also be beneficial if the craft of venture capital is well understood by the business community and most importantly, policymakers as Demystifying Venture Capital: How it works and How to get primarily written to address these concerns, and to explain the subject in a nontechnical manner, as far as possible. A handbook for fund managers, startups, academicians interested in the subject, policy makers, and aspiring entrepreneurs, this book is unique as it has been written along with the top 25 venture funds in India as co-authors. The first part builds the concepts and theoretical framework of venture investing throughout the venture capital life cycle, giving readers a robust academic backdrop while the second part offer 25 first-hand accounts of how VCs invest, where they invest, what they look for while investing, providing invaluable insights into the minds and methods of VCs. All in all, this prototype is a first-of-its-kind endeavour to deliver a 360-degree + view of the Venture Capital universe.

The first book to offer a comprehensive framework for conducting the venture capital due diligence process venture capitalists and other professional investors use due diligence to uncover all of the critical aspects of a company in which they are considering investing in order to estimate the ROI of this decision. The state of the market, management expertise within the firm, legal concerns, location, and environmental issues are just a few of the factors investors include in their due diligence analyses. This book is the only guide to provide investors with a rigorous due diligence framework that can be customized to fit the practice of the firm. The book provides readers with a clear and complete understanding of the due diligence process and formalizes the process for the VC community. The book is structured around key criteria presented in the form of questions. Each question is followed by in-depth explanations and analyses that incorporate the best practices of today's top VCs, including John Doerr, Don Valentine, Kevin Fong, and Ann Winblad. How the basic concepts of economics—including markets, institutions, and money—can be used to create and analyze economies based on virtual goods. In the twenty-first-century digital world, virtual goods are sold for real money. Digital game players happily pay for avatars, power-ups, and other game items. But behind every virtual sale, there is a virtual economy, simple or complex. In this book, Vilij Lehdonvirta and Edward Castronova introduce the basic concepts of economics into the game developer's and game designer's toolkits. Lehdonvirta and Castronova explain how the fundamentals of economics—markets, institutions, and money—can be used to create or analyze economies based on artificially scarce virtual goods. They focus on virtual economies in digital games, but also touch on serious digital currencies such as Bitcoin as well as virtual economies that emerge in social media around points, likes, and followers. The theoretical emphasis is on elementary microeconomic theory, with some discussion of behavioral economics, macroeconomics, sociology of consumption, and other social science theories relevant to economic behavior. Topics include the rational choice model of economic decision making; information goods versus virtual goods; supply, demand, and market equilibrium; monopoly power; setting prices; and externalities. The book will enable developers and designers to create and maintain successful virtual economies, introduce social scientists and policy makers to the power of virtual economies, and provide a useful guide to economic fundamentals for students in other disciplines.

Get inside your head to transform how you work

How It Works and How to Get It

Flirting, Sex, and How to Engineer Chemistry and Love

Venture Capital Due Diligence

How to Think Like a Venture Capitalist

Zero to One

Everything You Need to Know to Make Your Startup Dreams Come True from Idea to Product to Company

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Finding Genius captures the insights and anecdotes shared by prominent venture capitalists who first backed companies such as Airbnb, Uber, Twitter, Facebook, SpaceX, Tesla, Pinterest, Snapchat, and Instagram. Between 2017–2019, Kunal Mehta interviewed dozens of successful venture capitalists to define what it means to be an entrepreneur and to bring transparency to an industry that has often been a necessary sidekick to founders that shape the world we live in. Finding Genius attempts to answer a few key questions: How do discerning investors block out the noise to identify the next wave of innovation? What qualities do the 'genius' entrepreneurs share? Is there randomness to successful investments or a predictive trend that entrepreneurs and investors can learn from? The anecdotes in Finding Genius will show for these answers through the candid stories of the risk-takers behind the greatest entrepreneurs of our generation. Finding Genius is written and compiled by Kunal Mehta but will feature chapters written by a select group of successful venture capitalists who offer a diverse and expert perspective on new technologies including Artificial Intelligence and Blockchain as well as specific investment frameworks across industries such as Industrial Automation, Financial Technology, Future of Work, Education, Media & Entertainment, and Healthcare.

A reader-friendly guide to the inner workings and behind-the-scenes action of Silicon Valley and venture capitalism. Investigative reporter Gary Rivlin gives an armchair tour of the world of venture capitalism, while providing vivid case studies illustrating how to get started in the field. He shows how once-small companies such as Facebook, Instagram, and Amazon used venture capitalism to transform into the icons they are today, and the VCs that made a fortune in the process. Readers will learn what series funding is, the difference between an angel and super angel investor, and how to go about identifying ideas worthy of funding. A Venture Capitalist is not only an exclusive look into the world of legendary venture firms—as well as stories of their most interesting characters, including Peter Thiel, Reid Hoffman, and Mark Zuckerberg—but a wonderful guide on how to break into a seemingly impenetrable world. We live in an age of exponential technology, but this is not so new. Indeed, technological innovation has been promoted so assiduously for so long that there is now a discernible pattern to its emergence known as the Gartner Hype Cycle. Open innovation is no exception. In this book Henry Chesbrough, the originator of open innovation, examines the hype behind its practice, shows where real results are taking place, and explains how companies can move beyond the hype to achieve real business results. The book begins with an exponential paradox; new technologies are emerging at an accelerating rate, yet we continue to see stagnant wages and lagging production. These realities are hard to reconcile with the promise of exponential technologies. A closer look suggests that exponential advocates are paying too little attention to the broad dissemination and absorption of a new technology before it delivers real profit and social benefit. To get valuable results from innovation, businesses must open up their innovation processes and finish more of what they start. They need to open their knowledge flows to generate new growth, and unused internal knowledge must flow openly to others to generate new revenue and future business opportunities. Many of the best known aspects of open innovation such as crowdsourcing, open source software, or innovation intermediaries are often not well connected to the rest of the organization. Using numerous real-world examples of these methods in practice, Chesbrough illustrates how they can, and must, be used in connection to the organization as a whole in order to have real long-term value. Open Innovation Results offers a clear-eyed view of the challenges and realities that limit the ability of organizations to create and profit from innovation. Whether in the largest companies or in a small business, an advanced economy or a rural village, this book charts a course to enhance organizational growth and performance.

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Venture Capital—and How to Get It

In Making Moonshots, investor and operator Rahul Rana asks the question: Why should we live in a world of incremental scientific and technological progress when the human race has proven in past eras that we are capable of so much more? The world faces major problems. It is time for conventional thinkers to stand aside and give way to the crazy ones, the contrarians, the radically creative geniuses who work outside the box to create massive breakthroughs. In what is both a prescription for building successful deeptech startups and a call to arms to generate highly moral, deeply influential solutions that will positively affect the lives of billions, this book will teach you: The mindsets and philosophies of the greatest trailblazers of the past and present. Actionable strategies fueled by moonshot thinking. The complex ecosystem and all of its necessary moving parts for creating environments conducive to deeptech business operations. A tangible and reasonable course for entrepreneurs that will result in sustainable profitability and extraordinary global-changing results. Rana predicts a new golden age is about to erupt in modern times. Dare to dream bigger. Let's make some moonshots.

The main goal of this book is to help the reader become a desirable candidate for potential employers among venture capital firms. It is designed based on the coaching program created by Renata George with the purpose of finding and bringing new talent into the venture capital industry. The book reveals how venture investors actually think—a notion that is often expressed, but seldom explained in detail. Aside from providing a framework for actually finding a VC job, the book also helps one to define personal motives and drives, design an investor profile, and create an action plan for building a solid career in venture capital. The book gives access to the working materials of the coaching program (worksheets, matrix, etc.), as well as to the knowledge base relevant to all the subjects discussed in the book. Who should read this book? Anyone who is considering working in venture capital as an investor—whether investing individually, or managing corporate or institutional funds. The book addresses all the levels in the hierarchy of a venture capital firm: young investment professionals will learn whether they should apply for an analyst or an associate position, while more experienced candidates will find instrumental advice for upskilling their mastery and finding a job that matches their personality best.

Secure venture capital? Easy. Getting a business up and running or pushing a brilliant product to the marketplace requires capital. For many entrepreneurs, a lack of start-up capital can be the single biggest roadblock to their dreams of success and fortune. Venture Capital For Dummies takes entrepreneurs step by step through the process of finding and securing venture capital for their own projects. Find and secure venture capital for your business Get your business up and running Push a product to the marketplace If you're an entrepreneur looking for hands-on guidance on how to secure capital for your business, the information in Venture Capital For Dummies gives you the edge you need to succeed.

A predictable pattern of success Entrepreneurs who have read early drafts of The Start-Up J Curve responded, "I wish I had this book years ago." A start-up unfolds in a predictable pattern; the more aware entrepreneurs are of this pattern, the better able they will be to capitalize on it. Author Howard Love calls this pattern the start-up J Curve: The toughest part of the endeavor is the time between the actual start of a new business and when the product and model are firmly established. The Start-Up J Curve gives entrepreneurs the tools they need to get through the early challenges so they can reach the primary value creation that lies beyond. Love brings thirty-five years of start-up experience to this comprehensive guide to starting a business. He outlines the six predictable stages of start-up growth and details the activities that should be undertaken at each stage to ensure success and to avoid common pitfalls. Instead of feeling lost and confused after a setback, start-up founders and investors can anticipate the challenges, overcome the obstacles, and ride the curve to the top.

Be Smarter Than Your Lawyer and Venture Capitalist

Good Value

How To Raise A Venture Capital Fund

a guide to negotiating and structuring venture capital transactions

Secrets of Sand Hill Road

Georges Doriot and the Birth of Venture Capital

The Startup Game

This new book of investor Harm de Vries and VC lawyers Menno van Loon and Sjoerd Mol, who together have been involved in hundreds of venture capital transactions, explains all of the most common clauses used in VC deals. It includes many examples, as well as negotiation tips for both entrepreneurs and investors and a full termsheet template as annex. Further terms, which makes them easier to understand. The result is a practical guide to venture capital deals. All venture capital transactions start out with the execution of a term sheet, a document summarizing the basic terms and conditions under which a potential investment will be made. A well-drafted term sheet serves as a tool to focus attention of the parties involved whether there is common ground between them with respect to the most important investment conditions before they spend further time, energy and money on negotiating a deal. Effective participation in the negotiations of a venture capital transaction is possible only once each party involved fully understands the scope and consequences of all the deal terms involved.

of the most frequently used practices, terms and conditions and will benefit anyone involved in venture capital transactions - investor, entrepreneur or advisor.