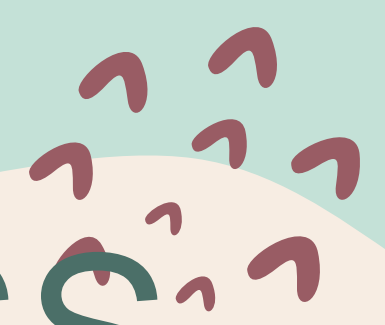


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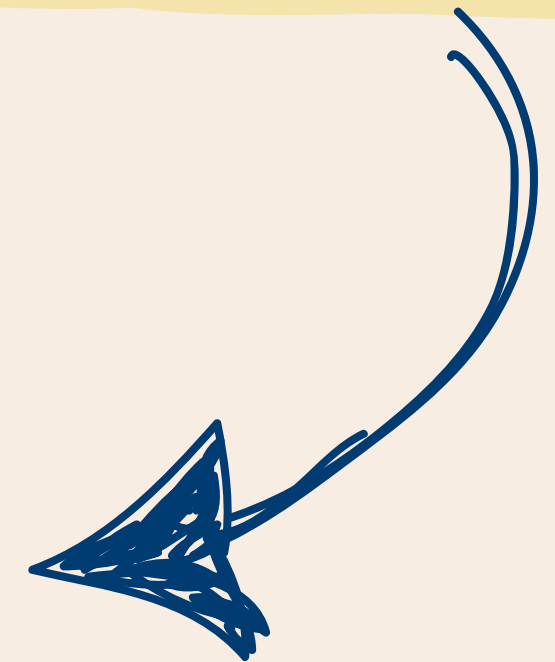
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Authorized! with Christopher Siu

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Christopher Siu is a faculty member in the department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology at BCIT. We asked him to tell us about his book that has just been published by CRC Press and this is what he had to say:

I joined BCIT in 2008, after working for 15 years in the electronics design industry. My industry projects had involved designing microchips for cellular phones and Bluetooth, and hence wireless communication became a topic of interest for me. The wireless market has undergone tremendous change and growth over the past several decades; consider that in the 1980's, barely anyone owned cell phones! The Internet of Things (IoT) is poised to be the next big thing in wireless;



Authorized! with Dr. Mehrzad Tabatabaian

June 10, 2016 by [dgrace](#) — [2 Comments \(Edit\)](#)

Dr. Mehrzad Tabatabaian is a Faculty Member and Program Head for the Mechanical Engineering Department, Bachelor of Engineering program at BCIT. We asked him to tell us about the books he's written and this is what he had to say:

When I came up with the idea of writing a book on engineering topics and discussed it with some colleagues with similar past experiences, at BCIT and other Universities, their overall feedback was unanimous – it will be a lot of work! After having published three books, I can say writing a book is a lot of work and I would give this same advice to faculty and authors interested in publishing. However, I would add that it is also a rewarding exercise, both for academic satisfaction and professional development, even more so when you see that your students actually use your book(s) and learn from them.

For me, it all started in late 2012, and from there it has been a continuous journey. Choosing the Multiphysics simulation of engineering problems as my topic was a natural fit and easy, since I had experience both in the industry and in teaching the topic. I also saw a gap in available learning resources in terms of books that actually guided students and contained practical step-by-step hints for them to build a



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Dave Harper is an instructor in the Ecological Restoration Program who has returned to BCIT after years of working in the field, writing reports for municipal districts about habitat restoration. He talked to us about how events in his life brought him to this path, and what he likes best about being back on campus:

When we moved into a suburb of Trail when I was 12, I taught myself how to fly-fish on the Columbia River. Fishing has been a part of my life ever since. Years when I moved to Vancouver, I learned of the state of not only the local fishery but the driven economy (where are afterthought)!

Authorized! with Curt Shelton

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BCIT Counsellor Curt Shelton co-wrote, with Bruce Alexander, SFU Professor, *A History of Psychology in Western Civilization*, published by Cambridge University Press in 2014. We asked Curt to tell us about it, and this is what he had to say:

A History of Psychology in Western Civilization is based on 30 years of my co-author, Bruce Alexander's, lectures for his *History of Psychology* course, a perennial favourite with third- and fourth-year students, at SFU. It's not a "names-and-dates" history textbook. Instead, it introduces the big ideas of such classic scholars as Plato, Marcus Aurelius, St Augustine, John Locke, and Charles Darwin about what we are as human beings, who we are as individuals, and how to reach optimal happiness. Students often find the ideas in the book challenging but will also say that they were some of the most interesting and memorable ones for them in their post-secondary years. Many students especially like the chapter on Marcus Aurelius, learning, for example, that mindfulness – so popular for a host of things right now – was an integral part of a commonly held way of life in Western civilization some 2,000 years ago. In fact, in a side-by-side reading of Marcus Aurelius' *Meditations* and the contemporary mindfulness sage John Kabat-Zinn's *Wherever You Go, There You Are* it's easy to get confused about which of those books you're actually reading at the moment. Even though the West has now re-imported mindfulness from the East, it turns out that it is not a solely Buddhist or Eastern invention. (The reason why it was lost for so long from the Western world is found in the chapter on St Augustine.)



Curt Shelton

Authorized! with Dr. Abdolreza Joghataie

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Reza Joghataie, a BCIT instructor in Part-Time Studies has authored a novel that is more technical than fiction – [ADANculus: neuropsychology and mapping of a two phase brain – a scientific novel](#).

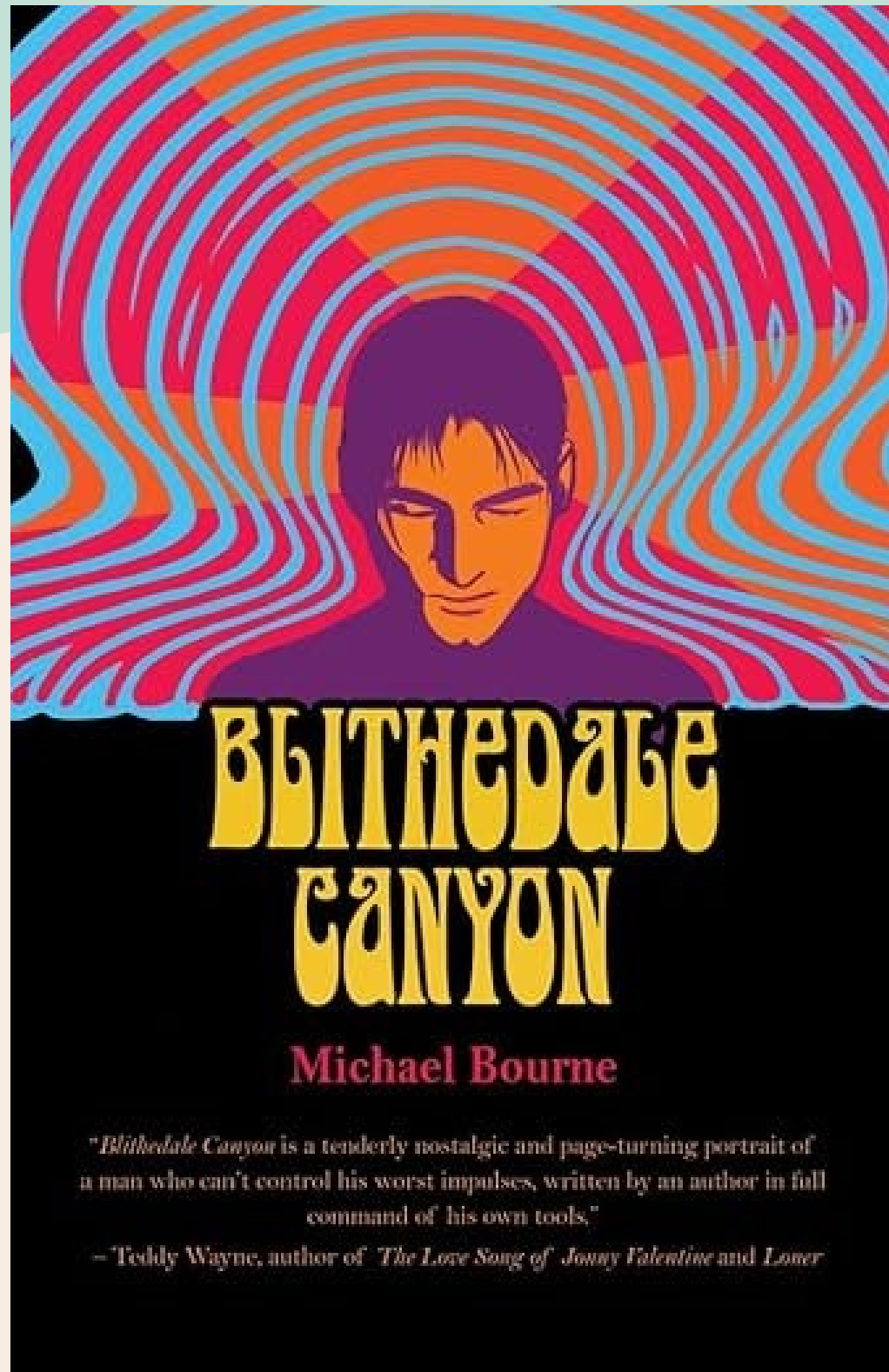
In Reza's own words:

"The book is about the discussions and interactions of an expert scientist in neurology and artificial intelligence, with an artificial mind. It is about the emergence of the human-robot society and the new philosophies and viewpoints about existence that have already begun to form because of the rapid progress in the development of the artificial brain. Since one of my research areas is in artificial neural networks and modeling of brain like systems, I have included some ideas about building an artificial brain in the book as well. The book has also some points about how the developments in building the artificial brain will impact



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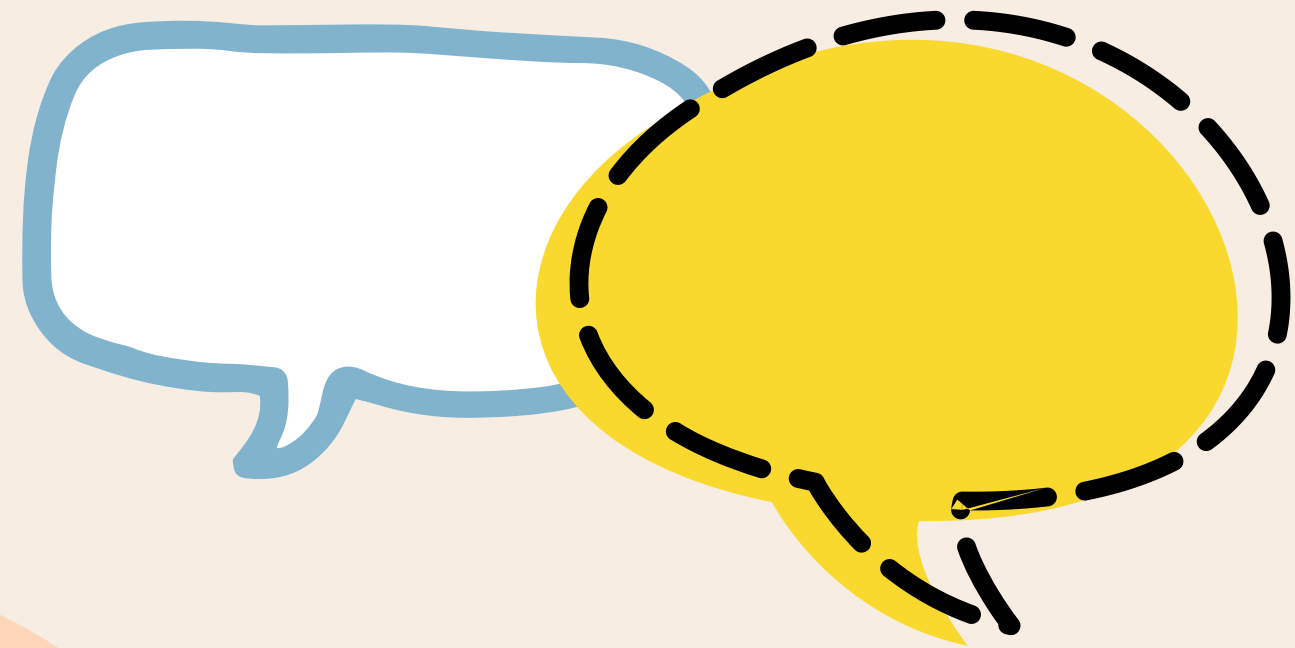


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